

❖ If a single indicator in isolation is *not* evidence of unsafe behaviors and choices, how many indicators in combination *do* make a significant difference in students' choices?

❖ In the chart below, the data was compared for 3 of the 12 indicators, and the analysis showed significant differences:



3 Indicators: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0 – ½ hour per day spent on homework • 3+ weekday hours spent “hanging out with friends” • 0 – 3 meals <i>a week</i> eaten with family 	3 Indicators: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 – 3 hours per day spent on homework • 0 - 2 weekday hours spent “hanging out with friends” • 1 or more meals <i>a day</i> eaten with family
57 students had all three of these indicators <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12% - 9th graders • 9% - 10th graders • 32% -- 11th graders • 47% - 12th graders • 69% male 	86 students had all three of these indicators <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 36% - 9th graders • 35% - 10th graders • 20% -- 11th graders • 9% - 12th graders • 61% male
About Their Grades <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 70% earn C’s or D’s • 27% earn B’s • 3% earn A’s 	About Their Grades <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 17% earn C’s or D’s • 50% earn B’s • 33% earn A’s
About Their Attendance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 28% absent 11 or more days last year • 35% tardy 11 or more days 	About Their Attendance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7% absent 11 or more days last year • 4% tardy 11 or more days
About Their Parents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12% say their parents “always” know where they are • 45% say they “mostly” know where they are • 0% would go to their parent “first” if they had a serious problem • 70% would go to a friend “first” • 54% would go to an older sibling “first” 	About Their Parents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 57% say their parents “always” know where they are • 40% say they “mostly” know where they are • 44% would go to their parent “first” if they had a serious problem • 51% would go to a friend “first” • 32% would go to an older sibling “first”
About Their Friends <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 82% say “some” or “most” of their friends drink • 24% say “some” or “most” of their friends travel in cars with drivers who have been drinking • 69% say “some” or “most” of their friends use pot • 10% say “some” or “most” of their friends have tried drugs like cocaine, LSD, heroin 	About Their Friends <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 33% say “some” or “most” of their friends drink • 7% say “some” or “most” of their friends travel in cars with drivers who have been drinking • 18% say “some” or “most” of their friends use pot • 0% say “some” or “most” of their friends have tried drugs like cocaine, LSD, heroin

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<p>Their Use of Alcohol</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 86% drink alcohol • 47% (of the 86%) drank alcohol in the month of September 3 or more days • 41% drink 5 or more drinks when they drink • 38% had been drunk in the month of September • 56% drink at the homes of other people • 48% drank outside in the woods or parks 	<p>Their Use of Alcohol</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 50% drink alcohol • 22% (of the 50%) drank alcohol in the month of September 3 or more days • 8% drink 5 or more drinks when they drink • 7% had been drunk in the month of September • 24% drink at the homes of other people • 15% drank outside in the woods or parks
<p>Their Use of Drugs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 53% have used an illegal drug • 87% (of the 53%) “occasionally” or “regularly” use pot • 20% “occasionally” or “regularly” use Hallucinogens (LSD, acid, mushrooms) 	<p>Their Use of Drugs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8% have used an illegal drug • 33% (of the 8%) “occasionally” or “regularly” use pot • 0% “occasionally” or “regularly” use Hallucinogens (LSD, acid, mushrooms)

The age of the student is clearly a factor in the above analysis; i.e. more 9th and 10th graders spend more time on homework, eat with their parents daily, are more closely supervised, and do not have their licenses or their own transportation, hence they spend less time “hanging out” and in the “homes of other people.” Thus, *when* to let go, to *what degree*, and *how*, are questions each family needs to answer for itself.

