2024 Survey Revisions Summary

Each administration year, IYS questions are added, removed, or reworded to maintain survey length and grade level appropriateness while keeping pace with trends in substance use behaviors, attitudes and perceptions, and other indicators measured by the survey.

Gender, Gender Identity, and Sexual Orientation

These three questions were reworked and schools will have an option to not ask all of them:

- Gender: response options were changed to remove transgender (Female/Male/Prefer not to answer). It will appear on all surveys.
- Gender identity: questions and response options were reworded and will be optional.
- Sexual orientation: added but will be optional.

Gender identity and sexual orientation are optional at the school level, meaning they will only appear on a school's survey if the school selects them to appear. Each school will be prompted to indicate their choice at registration.

Questions Changed

Cigarette smoking

How frequently have you smoked cigarettes during the past 30 days? Response options changed from how much (*Not at all, less than one cigarette per day,* etc.) to how often (*Never, once or twice,* etc.)

Peer percentage estimate

Response categories for the peer percentage questions (*What percent of students at your school do you think have* ____ *in the past 30 days?*) were changed from a range (0%, 1-10%, 11-20%, 21-30%, etc.) to individual numbers (0%, 10%, 20%, 30%), to facilitate reporting in a more user-friendly format.

Tobacco products and e-cig source

Two separate questions (During the past year, did you get any tobacco products from the following sources?) and (During the past year, did you get any e-cigarettes or other vaping products from the following sources?) were **combined** into During the past year, did you get any tobacco products, e-cigarettes, or other vaping products from the following sources?

Questions Added

Alcohol types

The alcohol types question last on the survey in 2018 (*Did you drink any of the following types of alcohol in the past 30 days?*) **returns** as a series of 4 questions with similar in phrasing to 2018.

Did you drink any of the following types of alcohol		
in the past 30 days?		No
a. Beer from bottles, cans, or a keg	0	0
b. Wine	0	0
c. Hard liquor (vodka, whiskey, or gin)	0	0
d. Alcopops (wine coolers, hard lemonade, hard cider, or hard seltzers)	0	0

Substance use education

Sources of substance use education activities in school as a series of **4 questions**:

To what extent have you seen ads or participated in these activities in the past 12 months?	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often
a. Played interactive games to learn about alcohol and other drugs	0	0	0	0
 Saw posters or messages displayed at school encouraging students not to use alcohol or other drugs 	0	0	0	0
c. Had films, lectures, discussions, or printed information about drugs or alcohol IN one of your regular classes, such as health or physical education	0	0	0	0
 d. Had films, lectures, discussions, or printed information about drugs or alcohol OUTSIDE OF your regular classes, such as in a special assembly 	0	0	0	0

Questions Removed

How wrong would most adults (over 21) in your community think it is for kids your age: to use marijuana...to drink alcohol...to use e-cigarettes or other vaping products...to smoke cigarettes? (4 questions)

How frequently have you: used a hookah or water pipe during the past 30 days?

How frequently have you smoked cigarettes during the past year?

During the past 12 months, did you worry about any of your friends' substance use?

