

Dear Principal,

Your school is one of the 55 CPS schools randomly selected to participate in the 2024 Illinois Youth Survey (IYS). The Office of Student Health and Wellness will work with you to identify a primary contact at your school who can coordinate logistics and ensure that IYS is completed successfully with minimal disruption to your school.

With enough participation in qualifying grade levels, your school will receive a free, individualized report reflecting the data collected.

- Data collection will occur January through May 2024 in randomly sampled schools.
- The IYS is administered for the entire grade levels selected, for one class period and only takes about 45 minutes to complete
 - o The survey will be administered online.
 - Students must be on school grounds when completing the survey.
- Student responses are completely anonymous and voluntary, no students' names are ever attached to questionnaires.

You can find copies of the IYS questionnaire, parent notification letter, and more information in this folder. If you have any immediate questions, please email iyschicago@cps.edu.

The IYS is funded by the Illinois Department of Human Services and is administered by the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana Center for Prevention Research and Development in partnership with the Office of Student Health and Wellness. Your school's participation in the survey is critical to receiving representative data of our district that will inform public health programs and policies.

The IYS monitors a variety of student health behaviors and environments in grades 8th, 10th, and 12th.

A few examples include:

- 1. Alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use
- 2. Beliefs about drug use
- 3. Health and nutritional behaviors
- 4. Feelings about school
- 5. Family support and rules about alcohol use

Thank you in advance for your support with this important effort and for your leadership as we work to champion a Healthy CPS.

Sincerely,

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