2013 GEORGIA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT (AGE 14-18 YEARS)

- 21% were in a physical fight during the past 12 months.
- Among those who fought, 40% fought on school property during the past 12 months.
- 7% were threatened or injured with a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club on school property during the past 12 months.
- 4% carried a weapon such as a gun, knife, or club on school property during the past 30 days.
- 7% did not go to school during the past 30 days because they felt unsafe at school or on their way to or from school.
- 12% had been physically hurt on purpose by someone they were dating or going out with during the past 12 months.

THE IDEA SPOT

- Build positive relationships between students and their peers, teachers, and families
- Support effective classroom management practices and promote cooperative learning techniques
- Provide opportunities to actively engage families and create open communication and decision-making processes

The Georgia Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) monitors students' health risks and behaviors in six categories: unintentional injury and violence, tobacco use, alcohol and other drug use, dietary behavior, and physical activity. The YRBS is conducted every two years among a representative group of Georgia public school students in grades 9-12.

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