

2021-22 ST. CLAIR COUNTY REPORT

High School & Middle School

Violence and Sexual Behavior

This report summarizes key findings from the 2021-2022 school-year for St. Clair County (SCC) Michigan Profile for Healthy Youth (MiPHY) survey for bullying, safety, relationship violence, sexual behavior and sexual orientation.



SCC MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL

In the past 12 months:

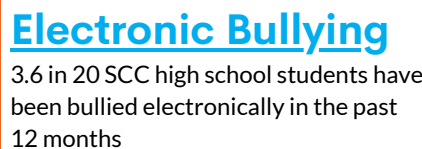
- 36.7% of middle schoolers and 23.1% of high schoolers have been bullied on school property
- 25.0% of middle schoolers and 18.2% of high schoolers have been electronically bullied
- 71.6% of middle schoolers and 54.7% of high schoolers have seen other students physically pushed, hit or punched
- 76.4% of middle schoolers and 66.0% of high schoolers have heard students get called mean names or "put down"
- 9.1% of middle schoolers and 7.3% of high schoolers reported feeling unsafe or very unsafe at school

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS



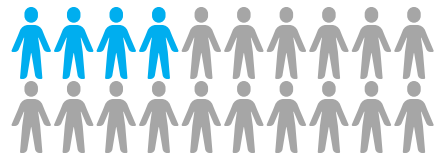
Bullying

4.6 in 20 SCC high school students have been bullied on school property in the last 12 months



Electronic Bullying

3.6 in 20 SCC high school students have been bullied electronically in the past 12 months



Physical Violence

10.9 in 20 SCC high school students have seen students physically pushed, hit, or punched in the past 12 months



Belittling

13.2 in 20 SCC high school students have heard students get called means or "put down" during the past 12 months



Safety

1.5 in 20 SCC high school students reported feeling unsafe or very unsafe at school



Danger & Violence

0.2 in 20 SCC high school students had carried a weapon on school property on one or more of the past 30 days



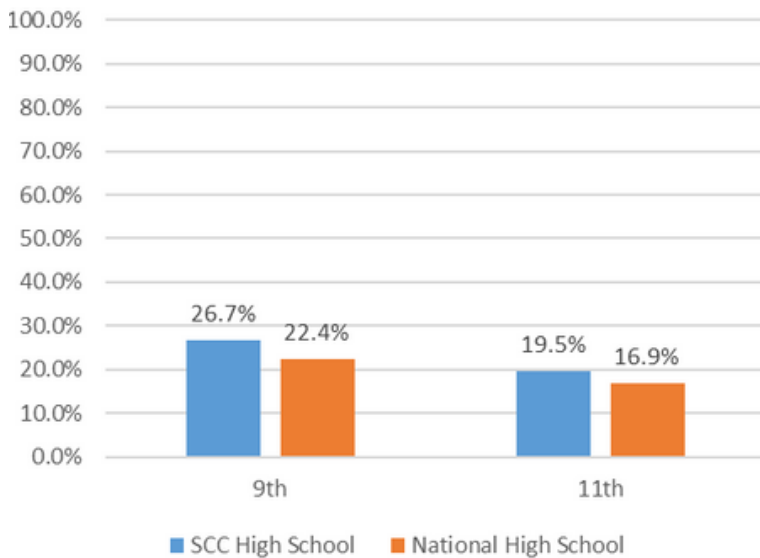
REPORT BACKGROUND

St. Clair County data was obtained from the 2021-22 St. Clair County MiPHY, a student survey assessing 7th, 9th, and 11th graders' substance use, violence, physical activity, sexual behavior, and emotional health. The 2019 Youth Risk Behavior Survey was used as a national comparisons.

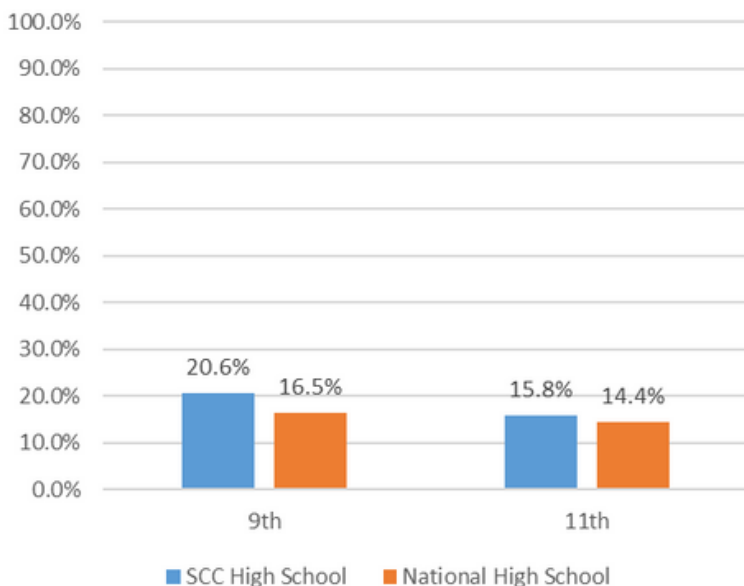
BULLYING

The graphs below depict the percentage of 9th and 11th grade students who reported being bullied on school property and electronically bullied in the past 12 months for St. Clair County (SCC) and nationally.

Percentage of students who have been bullied on school property in the past 12 months



Percentage of students who have been electronically bullied in the past 12 months



High School Students



SCC high school students reported being bullied on school property **higher** than students nationally in the past 12 months

Middle School Students

36.7% of SCC middle school students reported being bullied on school property in the last the 12 months



High School Students



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Middle School Students

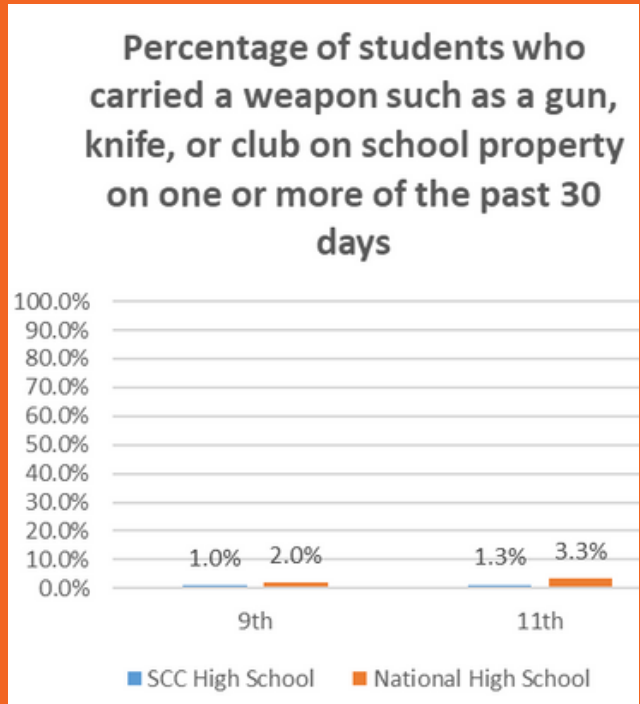
25.0% of SCC middle school students reported being electronically bullied on school property in the last the 12 months




SOURCE: National data for 9th and 11th grade was obtained from the Youth Risk Behavior Survey, 2019

SAFETY & VIOLENCE

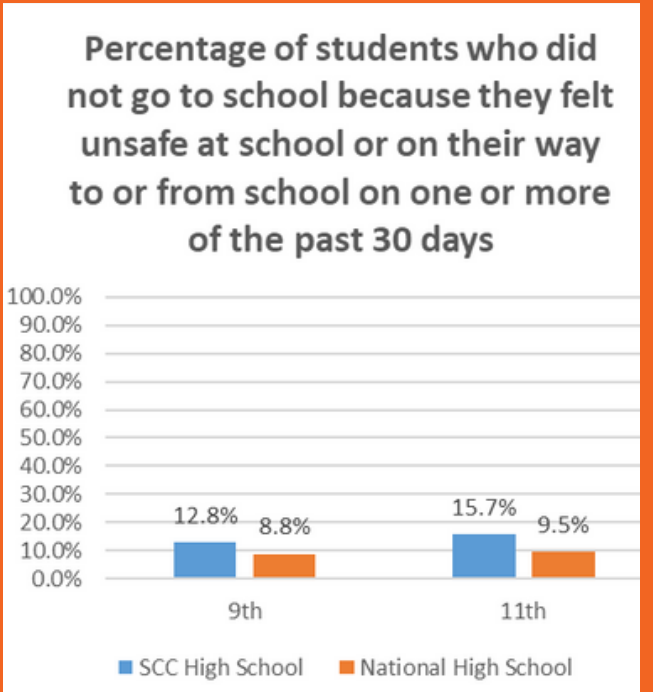
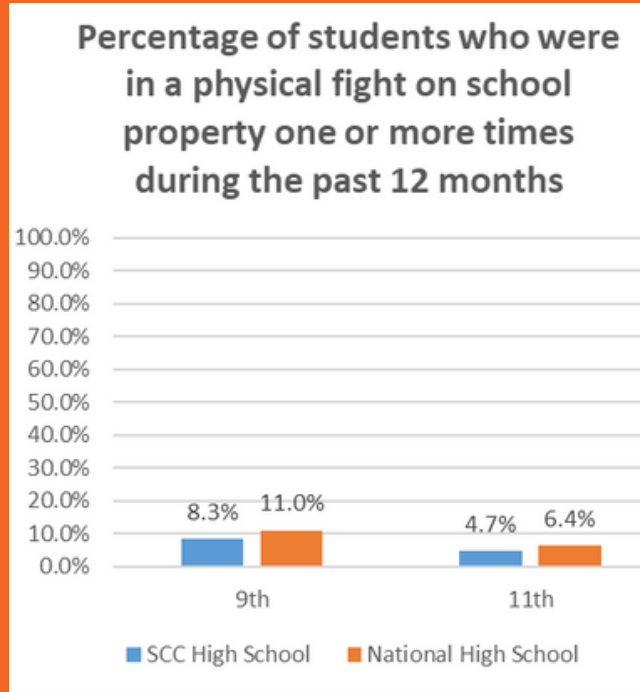
St. Clair County (SCC) 9th and 11th graders were asked about the percentage of students who carried a weapon, were in a physical fight on school property and those who did not go to school because they felt unsafe at school or on their way to school.



STUDENTS IN GRADE 9TH AND 11TH



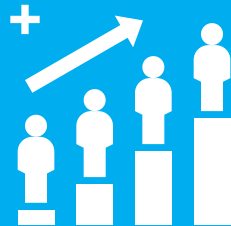
- Percentage of students who carried a weapon on school property in the past 30 days was **lower** for SCC students than the national rate
- Percentage of students who were in a physical fight on school property in past 12 months was **lower** for SCC students than the national rate
- Percentage of students who did not go to school because they felt unsafe at school or on their way to school was **higher** for SCC students than the national rate



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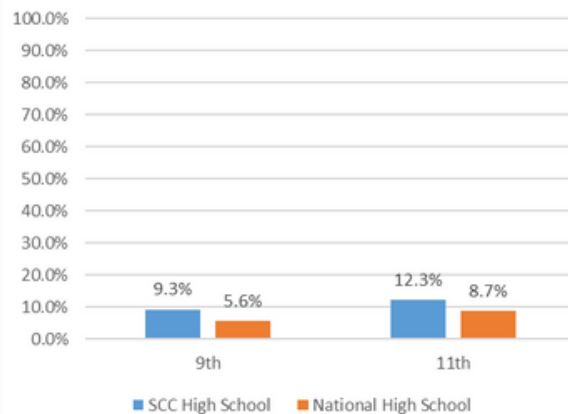
RELATIONSHIP VIOLENCE

The graphs below depict the percentage of students who were physically hurt on purpose by someone they were dating and those were forced to do sexual things they did not want to do by someone they were dating in the past 12 months for St. Clair County (SCC) and nationally.

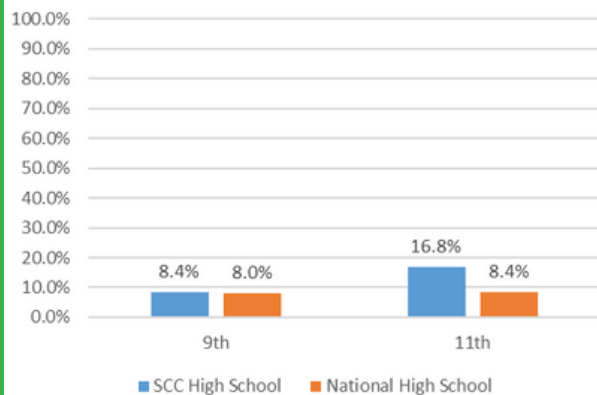


SCC high school students reported they were physically hurt on purpose by someone they were dating **higher** than students nationally

Percentage of students who were physically hurt on purpose by someone they were dating or going out with during the past 12 months



Percentage of students who were forced to do sexual things they did not want to do by someone they were dating or going out with during the past 12 months



SCC high school students reported they were forced to do sexual things they did not want to do by someone they were dating **higher** than students nationally



SOURCE: National data for 9th and 11th grade was obtained from the Youth Risk Behavior Survey, 2019

SEXUAL BEHAVIOR

The graph below depicts the percentage of students who ever had sexual intercourse for St. Clair County (SCC) 7th, 9th, and 11th grade students and the national rate.

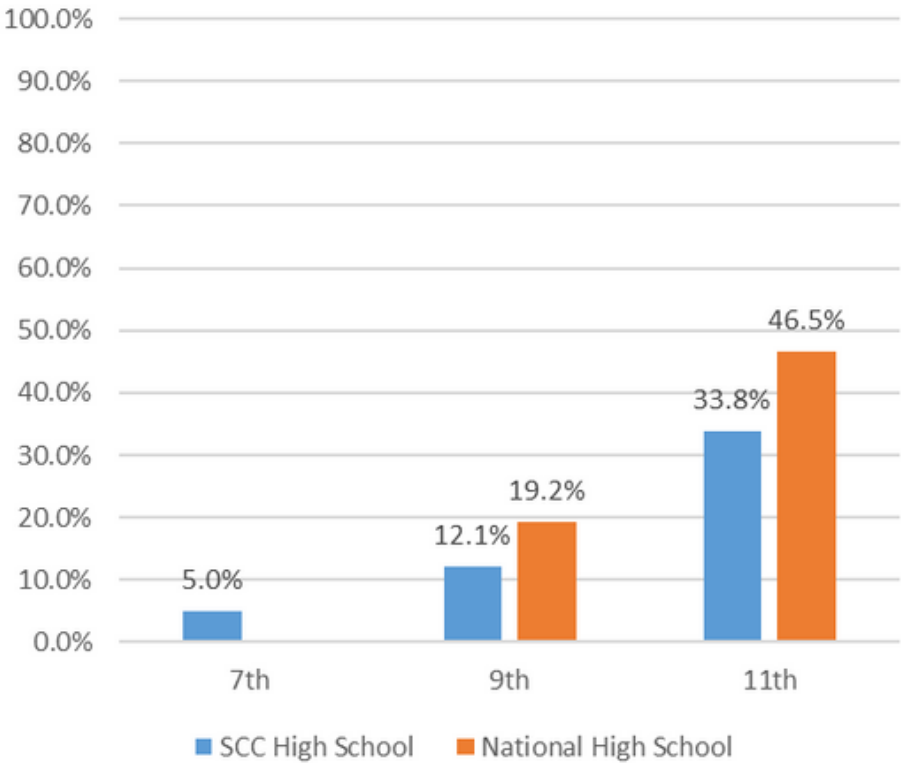


SCC had a **lower** percentage of 9th and 11th grade students who ever had sexual intercourse, compared to the national percentage



Among 7th grade SCC students, 5.0% has ever had sexual intercourse, no comparison of national percentage

Percentage of students who ever had sexual intercourse

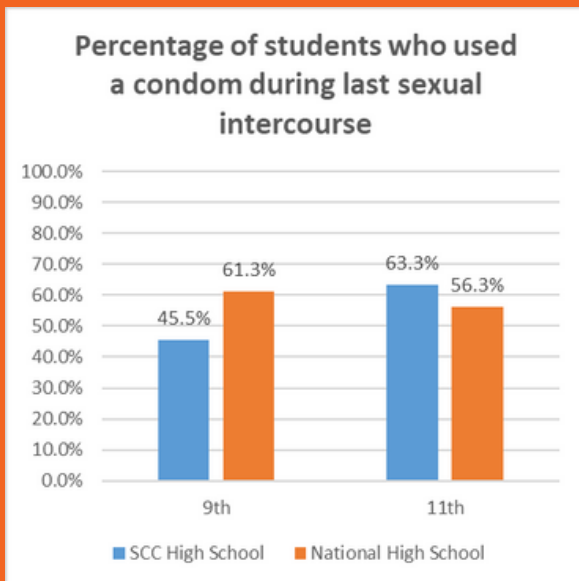


SOURCE: National data for 9th and 11th grade was obtained from the Youth Risk Behavior Survey, 2019

NOTE: National data for 7th grade was not available.

PRECAUTIONARY SEXUAL BEHAVIOR

The graphs below depict the percentage of 9th and 11th grade students who had sexual intercourse in the last three months and of those who used a condom or birth control for St. Clair County (SCC) and nationally.



SCC 11th graders reported among students who had sexual intercourse the percentage who used a condom was higher than students nationally

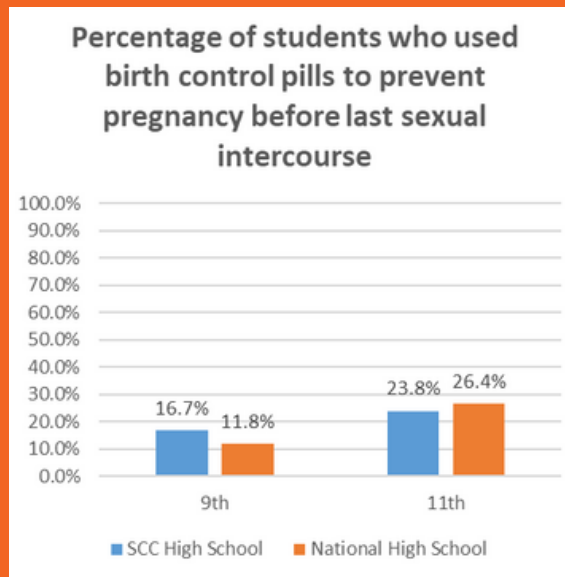
SCC 9th graders reported among students who had sexual intercourse the percentage who used a condom was lower than students nationally



SCC 11th graders reported among students who had sexual intercourse the percentage who used birth control was lower than students nationally



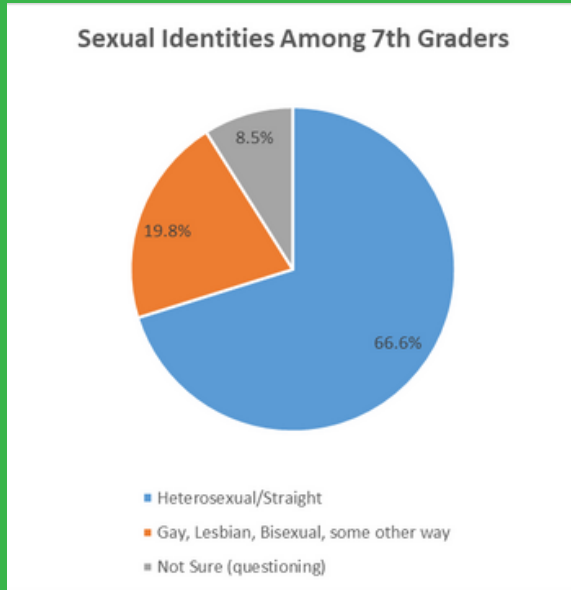
SCC 9th graders reported among students who had sexual intercourse the percentage who used birth control was higher than students nationally



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SEXUAL ORIENTATION

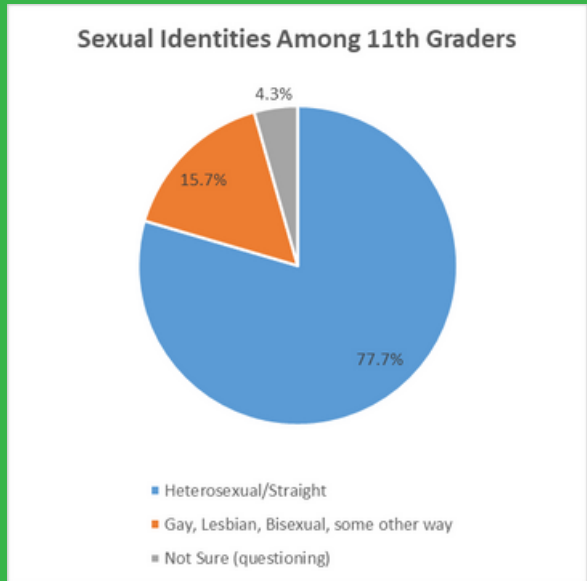
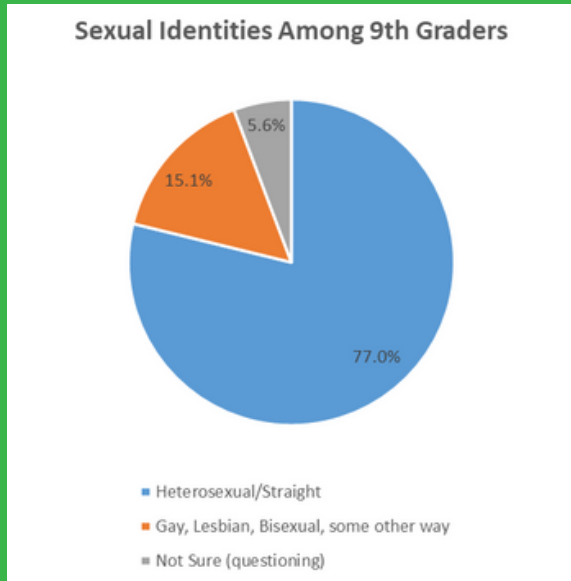

The graphs below depict the percentage of 7th, 9th and 11th grade students who report their sexual orientation being heterosexual/straight, gay, lesbian, bisexual, some other way and unsure (questioning) for St. Clair County (SCC). See percentages nationally below.




Awareness of romantic attraction typically begins prior to puberty. *



Sexual attraction, behavior, and identity are not always aligned: a person primarily attracted to women may also have sexual contact with men and may or may not identify as gay, bisexual, or straight. *

Sexual identities among the percentage of 9th through 12th grade students who report their sexual orientation being heterosexual/straight (84.4%), gay, lesbian, bisexual, some other way (11.2%) and unsure or questioning (4.5%) for national data. SOURCE: CDC, Youth Risk Behavior Survey, 2019

*SOURCES: McClintock, M. K., & Herdt, G. (1996). *Rethinking puberty: The development of sexual attraction*
Lindberg, L. D., Firestein, L., & Beavin, C. (2021). *Trends in U.S. adolescent sexual behavior and contraceptive use, 2006-2019*