

2018 Kansas School Health Profiles

Lead Health Education Teacher Survey Trends

Increases/Positive Changes

Survey Item

2014-2018 Linear Change

Required Health Education

Schools that taught a required health education course in the 9 th grade	71.2 → 84.6%
Schools that provide curricula or other materials on HIV, STD, or LGBTQ youth	16.7 → 35.8%
Schools requiring health education in any of the grades 6 through 12	84.2 → 96.6%
Schools in which teacher tried to increase knowledge of 6 th through 12 th students in...	
Alcohol- or Other Drug-Use Prevention	91.8 → 95.8%
Emotional and Mental Health	77.8% → 87.2%
Suicide Prevention	61.6 → 81.4%
Schools in which teachers taught the following sexual health topics in grades 6, 7, or 8	
Efficacy of Condoms	34.6 → 48.8%
Importance of using condoms consistently and correctly	25.7 → 46.7%
How to correctly use a condom	11.7 → 22.9%
Methods of contraception other than condoms	23.6 → 46.2%*
Importance of condom use in combination with other contraception method	19.2 → 45%*
How to create and sustain health and respectful relationships	57.6 → 68.9%*
The importance of limiting the number of sexual partners	46.2 → 62.6%
Schools in which teachers taught the signs, symptoms, and treatment for eating disorders	75.8 → 83.8%

*2016-2018 Linear Change

Professional Development (PD)

Schools in which Lead Health Educator received PD on Emotional & Mental Health	22.7 → 44.6%
Schools in which Lead Health Educator received PD on Suicide Prevention	20.1 → 57.4%
Schools in which Lead Health Educator would like Professional Development on...	
Emotional & Mental Health	61.9 → 71.7%
Infectious Disease Prevention (e.g., flu prevention)	49 → 60.7%
Suicide Prevention	63.4 → 74.2%
Violence Prevention (e.g., bullying, fighting, dating violence prevention)	64.4 → 73.7%
Teaching students of various cultural backgrounds	45.8 → 56%
Schools where the lead health educator's professional preparation was nursing or counseling	2.8 → 6.9%

Decreases/Negative Changes

Survey Item

2014-2018 Linear Change

Required Health Education

Schools in which teachers taught the following sexual health topics for grades 9 – 12...

How HIV and other STD's are transmitted	94.9 → 87.3%
Health consequences of HIV, other STD's and pregnancy	94.8 → 86.5%
How to access valid and reliable HIV, STD, and Pregnancy information and services	89.7 → 81.3%

Schools that provided parents & families with health information on the following topics...

Tobacco-Use Prevention	29.2 → 20.7%
Physical Activity	45.5 → 30.1%
Nutrition and Healthy Eating	45.6 → 32.2%
Preventing student bullying and sexual harassment, including cyber-bullying	62.9 → 53.8%