



## Student Privacy Facts for KCTC Kansas Communities That Care (KCTC) Student Survey

The Kansas Communities That Care (KCTC) survey, taken by on average over 69,000 Kansas students annually since 1994-95, tracks teen use of harmful substances such as alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. The KCTC provides communities and agencies structure in making informed decisions concerning prevention services through annual surveys. This survey is funded through the Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services (KDADS) and is used by state agencies, counties, schools and communities in Kansas to monitor the incidence and prevalence of adolescent problem behaviors and the environmental factors that put children at risk or protect them from developing those behaviors. This comprehensive data collection method has made Kansas a national leader for prevention assessment and evaluation.

### 1. The survey is completely *anonymous*

- Students are **not** asked for their names or other personally identifiable information on the questionnaire
- No one can connect any student with his/her responses
- School staff do not see any one student's responses

### 2. Participation is entirely *voluntary*

- Parents are informed in advance of the administration date and must give written consent for their child to participate
- Youth may decline to participate in the survey on the day administered
- Youth participating may simply skip any question they do not wish to answer

### 3. Data is *confidential*

- District and building level data are password protected with the password provided only to the Superintendent
- County and state level data are available for state and county needs including reporting outcomes, tracking trends, and obtaining grant funding
- Data is always reported as an aggregate or group, never at an individual level
- A minimum of 25% participation and at least 20 participants per aggregation level, is required in order to report data at that level (grade, school, district, county). If participation does not meet these levels, data are not reported on the website.
- Greenbush is committed to ensuring the security of your district's information and strives to ensure compliance with all state and federal compliance requirements. We have put in place reasonable physical, technical, and administrative safeguards designed to prevent unauthorized access to or use of the information collected online. All data collected or processed by Greenbush will comply with the security controls and systems and process requirements and standards as set forth by Greenbush.
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