

TECHNICAL REPORT
5th Grade
2006-07 & 2007-08
Del Norte County



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Sample Characteristics

Note: Tables 3.1 through 5.3 include results by gender.

Table 1.1
Student Sample Characteristics

	Grade 5
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Student Sample Size	
Final Sample (Number of Respondents)	170

Table 2.1***Age of Sample***

	Grade 5 Total %
7 years old, or younger than 7	0
8 years old	0
9 years old	0
10 years old	30
11 years old	61
12 years old	9
13 years old or older than 13	0

*Question ES 2, 4: How old are you? What grade are you in?***Table 2.2*****Gender of Sample***

	Grade 5 Total %
Female	59
Male	41

*Question ES 3: Are you female or male?***Table 2.3*****Number of Times Moved, Past Year***

	Grade 5 Total %
0 times	53
1 time	22
2 times or more times	26

*Question ES 5: During the past year, how many times have you moved (changed where you live)?***Table 2.4*****Perceived Ability With School Work***

	Grade 5 Total %
One of the best students	19
Better than most students	20
About the same as others	45
Don't do as well as most others	15

Question ES 16: How well do you do in your school work?

Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) Use

Table 3.1

Ever Used Alcohol or Other Drugs, Lifetime

	Grade 5		
	Female %	Male %	Total %
Alcohol, one or two sips	15	32	23
Alcohol, a full glass	6	8	6
Inhalants (to get high)	4	3	3
Marijuana *	4	5	4
<i>None of the above</i>	78	59	70
<i>Any of the above</i>	22	41	30

Questions ES 32, 33, 34: Have you ever drunk beer, wine, or other alcohol? Have you ever sniffed something through your nose to get "high?" Have you ever smoked any marijuana (pot, grass, weed)?

Table 3.2

Any Alcohol Use, Past Month

	Grade 5		
	Female %	Male %	Total %
No	93	95	94
Yes, I drank one or two sips	7	3	5
Yes, I drank a full glass	0	3	1

Question ES 39: In the past month, did you drink any beer, wine or other alcohol?

*** = CDE-Recommended SDFSC/TUPE Performance Indicator**

Table 3.3***Any AOD Use Before/During School, Lifetime***

	Grade 5		
	Female %	Male %	Total %
No	100	100	100
Yes	0	0	0

Question ES 35: Have you ever used alcohol or an illegal drug like marijuana before school or at school?

Table 3.4***Perception of Health Risk of Alcohol and Marijuana Use***

	Grade 5		
	Female %	Male %	Total %
Alcohol			
No, not bad	6	5	5
Yes, a little bad	25	51	36
Yes, very bad	69	43	58
Marijuana			
No, not bad	4	8	5
Yes, a little bad	7	11	9
Yes, very bad	74	76	75
I don't know what marijuana is	15	5	11

*Question ES 37-38: Do you think drinking alcohol (beer, wine, liquor) is bad for a person's health?
Do you think using marijuana (pot, grass, weed) is bad for a person's health?*

Tobacco Use

Table 4.1

Lifetime and Current Use of Cigarettes and Smokeless Tobacco

	Grade 5		
	Female %	Male %	Total %
Ever smoked a cigarette *	6	5	5
Part of a cigarette, like one or two puffs	6	5	5
A whole cigarette	0	0	0
Smoked a cigarette in the past month	2	3	2
Ever chewed tobacco or snuff	0	0	0

Questions ES 30, 40, 31. Have you... In the past month, did you...

Table 4.2

Perception of Health Risk of Cigarette Smoking

	Grade 5		
	Female %	Male %	Total %
No, not bad	4	0	2
Yes, a little bad	9	19	13
Yes, very bad	87	81	85

Question ES 36: Do you think smoking cigarettes is bad for a person's health?

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Violence and Safety

Table 5.1

Perceived Feeling Safe At or Outside of School

	Grade 5		
	Female %	Male %	Total %
Do you feel safe at school?			
No, never	6	8	7
Yes, some of the time	20	19	20
Yes, most of the time	28	28	28
Yes, all of the time *	46	44	46
Do you feel safe outside of school?			
No, never	9	11	10
Yes, some of the time	15	16	16
Yes, most of the time	33	24	30
Yes, all of the time	43	49	44

Question ES 28, 29: Do you feel safe at school? Do you feel safe outside of school?

**** = To be used for the CDE-Recommended SDFSC/TUPE Performance Indicator
"The percentage of students that feel very safe at school"***

Table 5.2***Frequency of Being Harassed on School Property***

	Grade 5		
	Female %	Male %	Total %
Been hit or pushed			
No, never	46	32	42
Yes, some of the time	31	41	34
Yes, most of the time	6	8	6
Yes, all of the time	17	19	17
Mean rumors spread about you			
No, never	43	36	39
Yes, some of the time	31	31	33
Yes, most of the time	11	11	11
Yes, all of the time	15	22	17

*Question ES 23, 24: Do other kids hit or push you at school when they are not just playing around?
Do other kids at school spread mean rumors or lies about you?*

Table 5.3***Frequency of Harassing on School Property, Past Year***

	Grade 5		
	Female %	Male %	Total %
Have hit or pushed other kids			
0 times	54	32	45
1 time	17	27	20
2 times	13	19	15
3 or more times	17	22	19
Have spread mean rumors about other kids			
0 times	61	67	64
1 time	26	22	24
2 times	6	0	3
3 or more times	7	11	9

Question ES 21, 22: During the past year, how many times have you...hit or pushed other kids at school when you were not playing around? ...spread mean rumors or lies about other kids at school?

Table 5.4***Weapons (Gun or Knife) on School Property, Past Year***

	Grade 5 Total %
Brought weapon to school	
No	96
Yes	4
Saw another kid with a weapon at school	
No	74
Yes	26

Question ES 25, 26: During the past year...did you ever bring a gun or knife to school? ...have you ever seen another kid with a gun or knife at school?

Table 5.5***Frequency of Being Home Without Adult Supervision***

	Grade 5 Total %
No, never	49
Yes, some of the time	37
Yes, most of the time	9
Yes, all of the time	5

Question ES 27: Are you home alone after school?

Table 5.6***Frequency of Seat Belt and Helmet Use***

	Grade 5 Total %
When you ride in a car do you wear a seat belt?	
No, never	0
Yes, some of the time	7
Yes, most of the time	23
Yes, all of the time	70
When you ride a bicycle do you wear a helmet?	
I do not ride a bicycle	10
No, never	42
Yes, some of the time	24
Yes, most of the time	14
Yes, all of the time	9

Question ES 7, 8: When you ride in a car do you wear a seat belt? When you ride a bicycle do you wear a helmet?

Physical Health

Table 6.1

Breakfast Consumption

	Grade 5 Total %
No	22
Yes	78

Question ES 6: Did you eat breakfast this morning?

Table 6.2

Exercise During Week

	Grade 5 Total %
0 days	3
1 day	1
2 days	6
3 days	9
4 days	4
5 days	17
6 or 7 days	60

Question ES 50: How many days each week do you exercise, dance, or play sports?

Table 6.3

Frequency of Daily Television Watching and Video Game Playing

	Grade 5 Total %
None, I didn't watch TV yesterday	10
Less than 1 hour	33
About 1 hour	16
About 2 hours	15
3 or more hours	25

Question ES 53: Yesterday, how much time did you spend watching TV or playing video games?

Table 6.4***Body Image***

	Grade 5 Total %
Do you think you are...	
Too skinny	10
About right	68
Too fat	22
Are you doing anything to try to lose weight?	
No	46
Yes	54
Ever been teased about your body at school?	
No	65
Yes	35

Question ES 47-49: Do you think you are too skinny, about right, or too fat? Are you doing anything to try to lose weight? Have other kids at school ever teased you about what your body looks like?

Table 6.5***Students with Asthma***

	Grade 5 Total %
No	88
Yes	12

Question ES 52: Has a parent or some other adult ever told you that you have asthma?

Table 6.6***Asthma Symptoms While Not Exercising***

	Grade 5 Total %
No	73
Yes	27

Question ES 51: When not exercising, do you ever have trouble breathing (for example, shortness-of-breath, wheezing, or a sense of tightness in your chest)?

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Resilience & Youth Development

Table 7.1
External and Internal Asset Scores (High, Moderate, and Low)

Percent of students scoring High, Moderate, and Low in Assets (%)	Grade 5		
	H	M	L
Total External Assets	63	37	0
Caring Relationships	67	29	3
High Expectations	73	27	0
Meaningful Participation	24	67	9
School Environment *	52	42	6
Caring Relationships: Adults in School *	55	41	4
High Expectations: Adults in School *	57	38	5
Meaningful Participation *	16	72	12
Home Environment	84	14	2
Caring Relationships: Adults in Home	74	24	2
High Expectations: Adults in Home	86	13	1
Meaningful Participation	23	71	7
Personal School Connectedness	54	40	6
Peer Environment			
High Expectations: Pro-social peers	39	55	6
Total Internal Assets	52	45	3
Empathy	27	63	10
Problem Solving	30	59	11
Goals and Aspirations	77	20	2

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