

Substance Abuse Prevention Initiatives & Data

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Initiatives & Programs

Elementary:

- DARE delivered by SRO-5th Grade Only
- CATCH My Breath-Vape Prevention by CARE Coalition-5th Grade Only
- Red Ribbon Week-All Grades
- Individualized Lesson with School Counselors as needed
(Ex: Following a suspension for substance abuse)

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Middle School:

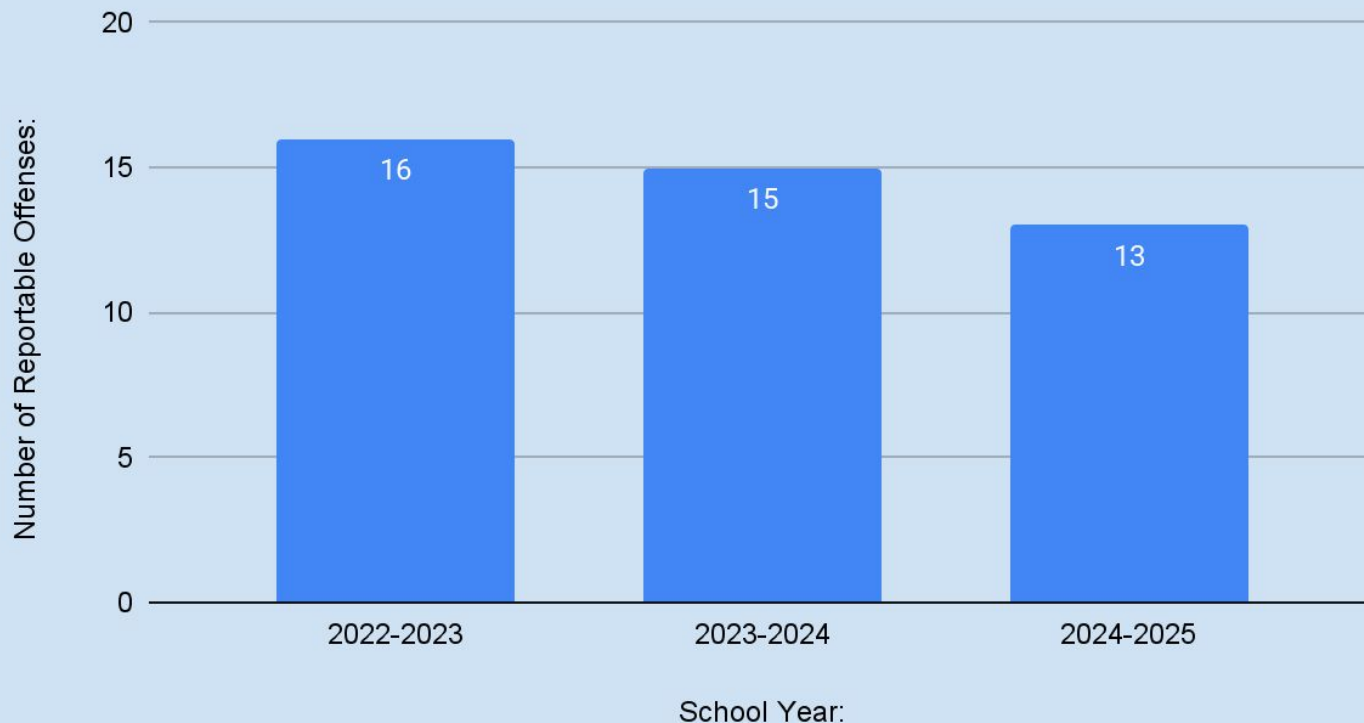
- Red Ribbon Week-All Grades
- Vape Education in Health & PE by CARE Coalition (Catch My Breath)
- Lesson by School Counselor on Substance Abuse
- Targeted Interventions specific for students as needed
 - Completion of Vape Prevention Online Course
 - Quit Kits-tools for cessation

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High School:

- Substance Abuse Prevention Lessons through Health & PE for 9th graders
- Red Ribbon Week (RHS)
- SADD Club (Students against destructive decisions) at RHS
- Targeted Interventions specific for students as needed
 - Completion of Vape Prevention Online Course
 - Mental Health Referrals

TCS Substance Abuse Offenses *as of 4/1/25



*Reportable offenses include possession of THC vaping device and possession of controlled substances.

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Policy 4326 Random Drug Testing of Students

All students participating in a competitive extra-curricular activity at the middle schools and high schools and/or students issued high school parking permits will be subject to random and suspicionless drug testing.

Students participating in extracurricular activities will be subject to random drug testing during the competitive/sports season in which they participate in the activity. Students having high school parking permits will be subject to random drug testing throughout the school year. The test shall detect illegal drugs and other controlled substances in which it is illegal for a student to possess or consume.

Selection of Students

Students selected to undergo a drug test will be chosen at random by the testing laboratory; selection will not be based on any level of suspicion.

When a student has two negative tests during a competitive/sports season, his/her name will not be chosen again while participating in that same activity for the remainder of that competitive/sports season. He/she may, however, be selected during a different competitive/sports season while participating in a different activity. A student having a high school parking permit and not involved in competitive extracurricular activities who has two negative drug tests during a semester will not have his/her name randomly selected again during that semester. His/her name will be eligible to be randomly selected the following semester.

- 541 names submitted- that number varies depending on the sport season
- Historically we test 58 to 60+ students each round, 6 times per year.
- We conduct a 10 panel substance abuse test

Marijuana

Amphetamines

Cocaine

Methamphetamines

Opiates

Oxycodone

Phencyclidine

Benzodiazepines

Methadone

Buprenorphine

Data

22-23	23-24	24-25
331 samples collected	289 samples collected	239 samples to date
321 Negatives	262 Negatives	228 Negatives to date
10 positive (Marijuana)	27 positives (Marijuana)	11 positives so far- Marijuana

If Positive....What's Next?

1 st Positive Result	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Contact Parents• Complete 2 hours of substance abuse counseling- we provide parents with a list of providers.• Medical doctor's release• Drug tested the next scheduled testing• Return to sport or parking privilege once requirements are met.
2 nd Positive Result	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Contact Parents• 14 days out of the extracurricular activity, sport or parking privileges• Complete 4 hours of substance abuse counseling- we provide parents with a list of providers.• Doctor's release• Drug tested the remainder of the testing cycle
3 rd Positive Result	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Contact Parent• Suspended from all extra-curricular activities for remainder of the school year or 90 days- whichever is longer.• Medical doctor's release before competing in any extra-curricular activity or parking privilege
4 th Positive Result	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Not eligible for parking privileges• Banned from participating in all competitive activities

Why not test all students in 6-12 grades?

Constitution-

The Fourth Amendment does not allow public schools to conduct random drug testing across the entire student body. However, a school may randomly test students who participate in competitive extracurricular activities, such as athletics and parking.

GS-Chapter 95 Article 20 : 230, 231, 232, Regulations-

We follow policy, use an approved lab, and follow procedures.