

Youth Lifestyle Choices Niagara

YLC-CURA

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The following findings were reported by 4,447 Niagara students enrolled in grades 10, 11, and 12 who completed the YLC-CURA survey in April 2006. Here are some *fun and interesting facts* that you and your peers reported.

Fun Facts from the Lab

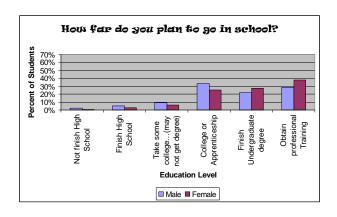
- √ 67% of students told us that they believe in God, a Higher Power or a higher spiritual path. Of these students, 54% attend church at least once or twice a month
- ✓ 51% of students do not skip school
- ✓ 77% of students do something fun with their families at least a few times a month
- √ 40% of students report being bored at school every day
- ✓ 107 different cultures were represented, such as: Zimbabwean, Belgian, Turkish, Moroccan, Guatemalan, Croatian, Vietnamese, Yugoslavian and Laotian.

Percent of Students 90% 80% 70% 60% 40% 30% 10% 1nternet use Video Games Chat rooms Email School projects

Smoking, Drugs and Alcohol

- Ø 67% of students have never smoked a full cigarette
- 2 14% of students have never had more than a sip or two of alcohol
- Ø 55% of students have never tried marijuana
- Ø 90% of students have never experimented with harder drugs (e.g., cocaine, heroin, acid, ecstasy)

Education Goals



What are your Goals?

The top 3 "most important goals in your life" reported by you and your peers are:

- 1. Future career and academic achievement
- 2. Happiness
- 3. Marriage and family

The top 3 "most meaningful things in your life" reported by you and your peers are:

- 1. Family
- 2. Friends
- 3. Academics and your Future

YLC-CURA stands for "Youth Lifestyle Choices-Community University Research Alliance" and represents a partnership between Brock University, community agencies in the Niagara Region, the District School Board of Niagara and the Niagara Catholic District School Board.

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