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## **Results of the PRIDE Survey on Tobacco, Alcohol and Drugs**

Falls Church City Public Schools (FCCPS) is committed to helping students live a drug-free lifestyle. The goal is to teach appropriate coping skills, reduce student isolation, teach refusal skills and encourage students to make positive, healthy decisions. As part of that commitment, students in grades six through 12 in the Falls Church City Public Schools take the PRIDE Survey on alcohol, tobacco and drug use each year. The Executive Summary and the Questionnaire Report for the survey are now available on the FCCPS Web site through the following links:

**PRIDE Survey Executive Summary:**

[www.fccps.k12.va.us/html/PRIDEexecutiveSummary.pdf](http://www.fccps.k12.va.us/html/PRIDEexecutiveSummary.pdf)

**PRIDE Questionnaire Report:**

[www.fccps.k12.va.us/html/PRIDResults.pdf](http://www.fccps.k12.va.us/html/PRIDResults.pdf)

Since 1982, the PRIDE Surveys Questionnaire has been used by schools in 49 of the 50 states and several foreign countries to gather data on student tobacco, alcohol and illicit drug use and related behaviors. Questions on violence have been added to explore the relationship between students who used various drugs and their violence. In 1998 a federal law designated PRIDE Surveys as an official measurement of adolescent drug use in America. The PRIDE Surveys database on student drug use and violence is the largest in the world, with an archive of more than 8 million completed questionnaires.

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