

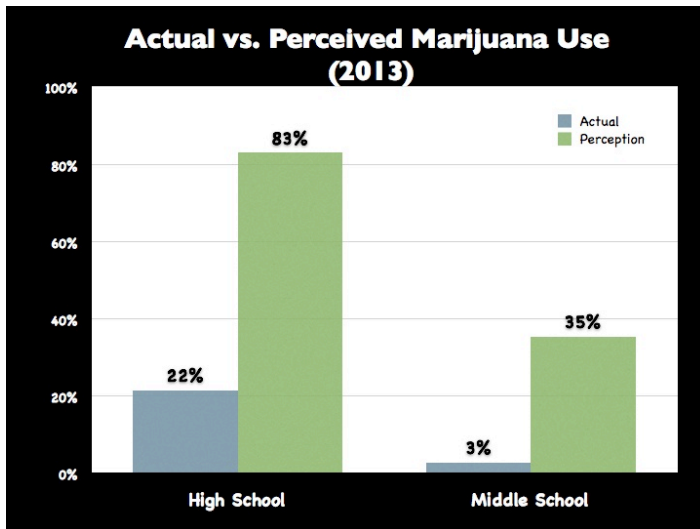
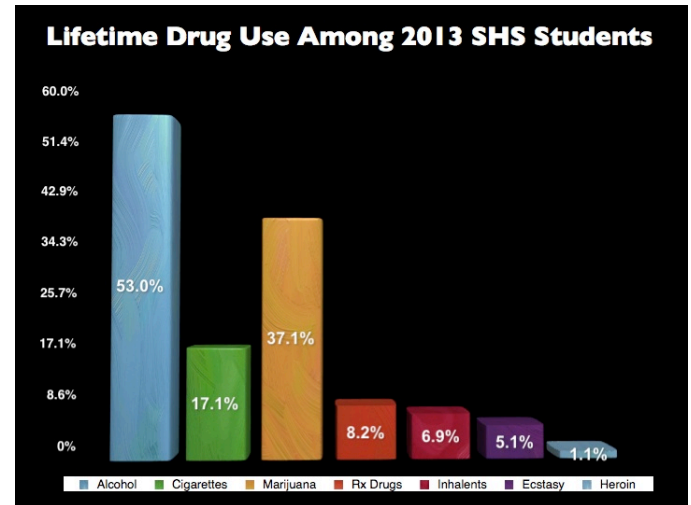
Quick Facts about Youth Marijuana Use in Stoughton

What is OASIS (Organizing Against Substances in Stoughton)?

- Youth substance abuse prevention coalition established in 2004
- Brought more than \$1 Million prevention dollars into Stoughton since 2004
- **Mission:** To work collaboratively to reduce youth substance abuse by: reinforcing healthy community norms; decreasing youth access to alcohol, tobacco and other drugs; and creating sustainable policy changes that will support healthy youth choices.

What do we know about Marijuana?

- Marijuana is the 2nd most popular drug surpassed only by alcohol
- 37.1% of Stoughton High students have tried marijuana
- 21.5% of Stoughton High students use marijuana regularly
- In 2011, Stoughton High marijuana use rates matched the Massachusetts rate of 28%



Why are we worried about Marijuana?

- The perception that marijuana is harmful, is dropping among Stoughton High students
- 69% of Stoughton High students report that marijuana is easy to get
- Many youth think marijuana is legal
- Stoughton High Students believe that most (83%) of their peers use marijuana.

What are we doing about it?

- Social norms campaign to address youth misperceptions of use.
- Policy change to make marijuana less accessible to youth
- Parent education to impact youth perception of harm, and clarify family rules and expectations
- AND MORE



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