Marijuana Use and Winnebago County High School Students

What is the problem?

- **31.1%** of students reported using marijuana at least one time.
- 7.1% of students reported using marijuana for the first time before the age of 13.
- **19.4%** of students reported using marijuana during the past 30 days.
- 46.3% of students reported that they strongly disapproved or disapproved of people smoking marijuana occasionally.
- **40.5%** of students reported that people their age would say it is not at all wrong or a little bit wrong to smoke marijuana occasionally.
- **26.2%** of students reported that they think people do not risk (no risk) harming themselves if they smoke marijuana occasionally.

What are the solutions?

K-12 skill-based health education
Evidence-based drug prevention programs
Trained staff
Parent and community education
Coordination of school and community-based efforts
Regular assessment of drug prevention efforts

What are some resources to help address the problem?

- SAMSHA Programs, http://www.samhsa.gov/
- National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information http://www.samhsa.gov/
- Office of National Drug Control Policy http://www.whitehousedrugpolicy.gov/
- National Institute on Drug Abuse http://www.drugabuse.gov/
- Treatment Finder http://findtreatment.samhsa.gov

Wisconsin Resources

- Department of Public Instruction AODA Program http://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/aodaprog.html
- Wisconsin Clearinghouse for Prevention Resources http://www.wiclearinghouse.org
- Wisconsin Safe & Healthy Schools Center http://www.wishschools.org
- CESA 6 Safe and Healthy Schools Network <u>www.cesa6.org</u>