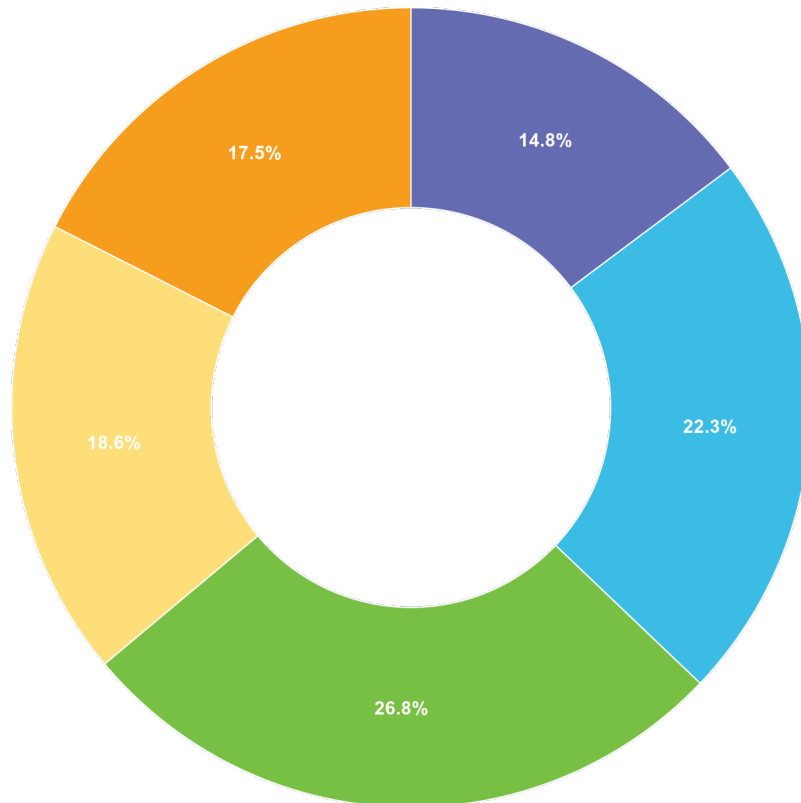


## Youth Needs Assessment 2020






This needs assessment is designed to find out what Isabella County students need and want. Please be honest and thoughtful in your responses. Your answers and those from your peers will be combined and used to guide the Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) of the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation as they grant money to programs for area students like you.

**Q1** What school do you attend?\*

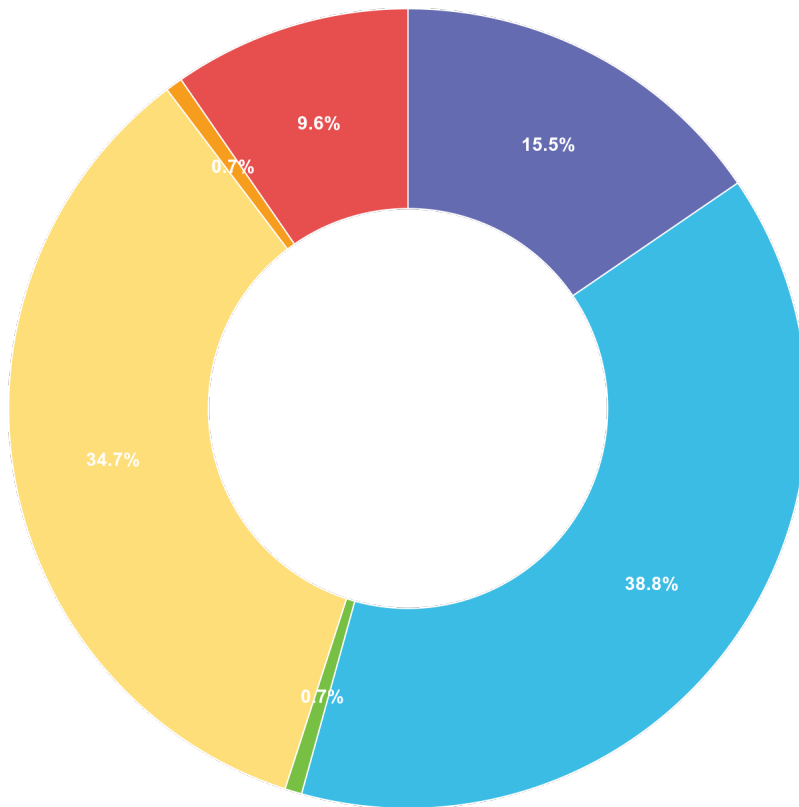


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Choice	Total
 Beal City Public Schools	43
 Mt. Pleasant Public Schools	65
 Renaissance Public School Academy	78
 Sacred Heart Academy	54
 Shepherd Public Schools	51

Q2 What grade are you in this year?\*

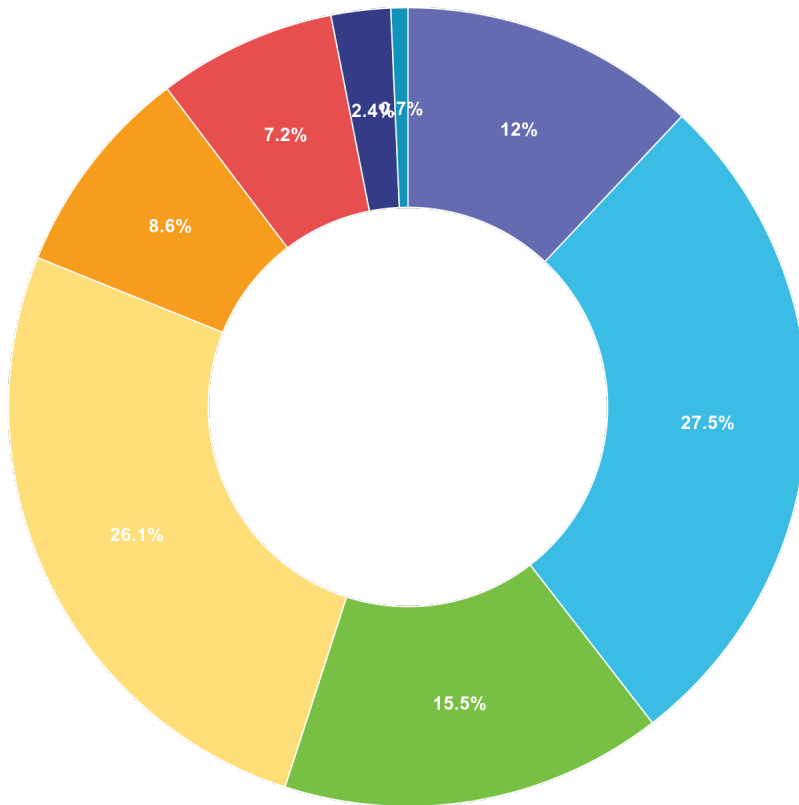


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	Choice	Total
	7th	45
	8th	113
	9th	2
	10th	101
	11th	2
	12th	28

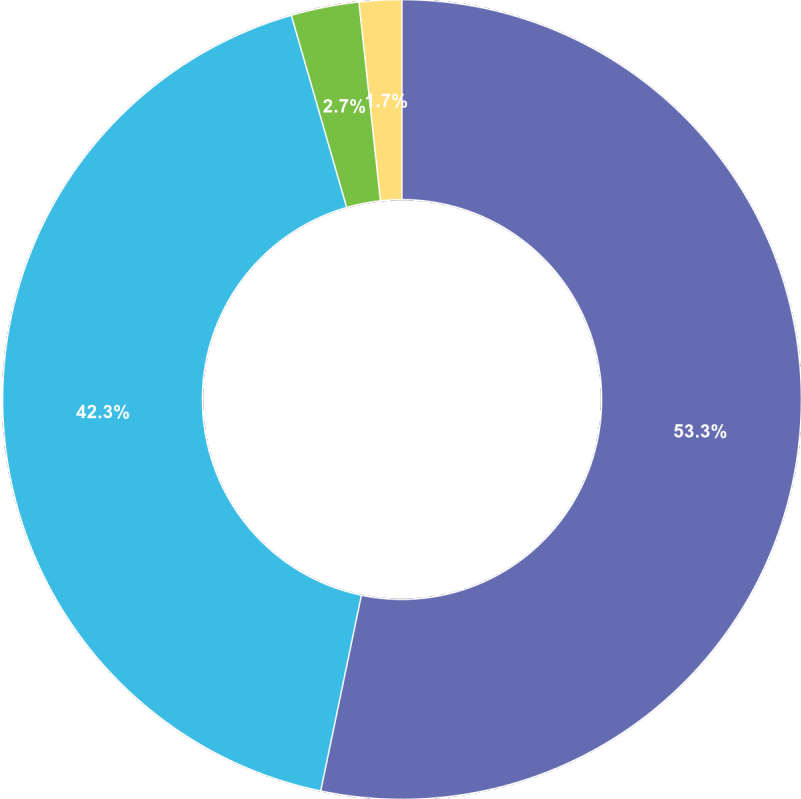
Q3 What is your age?\*



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Choice	Total
12	35
13	80
14	45
15	76
16	25
17	21
18	7
Other	2

Q4 What is your gender?\*

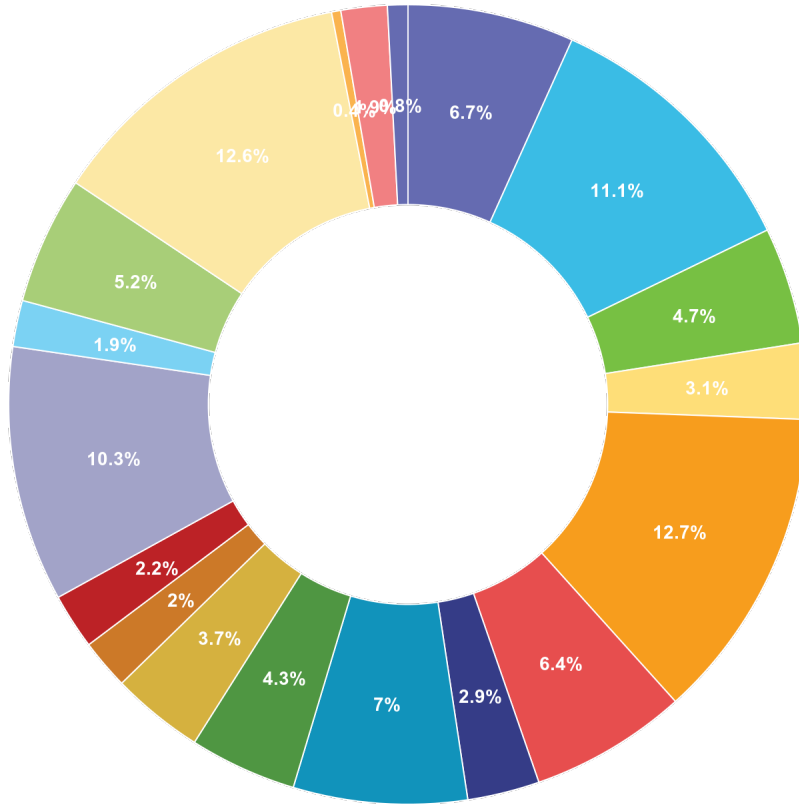


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Choice	Total
Female	155
Male	123
Not listed	8
Prefer not to say	5

**Q5** Please check the 5 most important issues you think **youth in our community** are facing today.\*

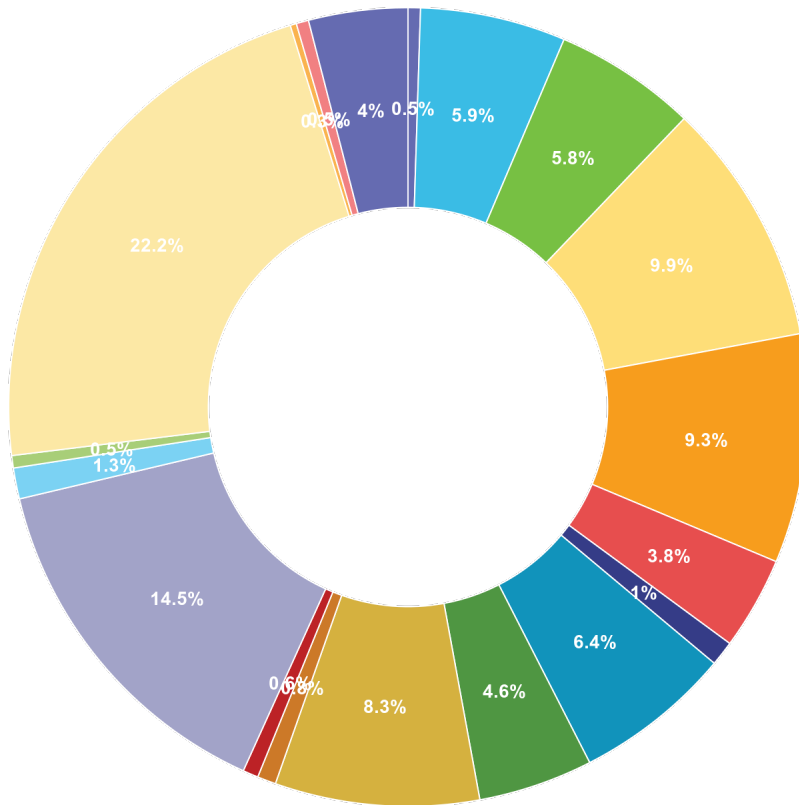


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Choice	Total
Alcohol and drug abuse	90
Bullying (personal threats, gossiping, cyber bullying, etc.)	148
Cliques/peer pressure	63
College prep/school testing	41
Depression/suicide/loss	170

Choice	Total
 Discrimination (because of appearance, gender, health status, race, sexuality, etc.)	85
 Distracted driving	39
 Family issues (abuse, divorce, finances, etc.)	94
 Health issues (anorexia, bulimia, disease, obesity)	58
 Lack of activities outside of school	50
 Personal Safety (fights, gangs, school violence, threats, etc.)	27
 Poverty	30
 Self-esteem, respect for self and others	138
 Sexual harassment/sexual assault	25
 Smoking/use of tobacco products	69
 Stress/school pressure	168
 Teen crime (shoplifting, vandalism, etc.)	5
 Teen sexual activity or pressure	25
 Other (please specify)	11










**Q6** Please check up to 5 important issues **you** are facing today.



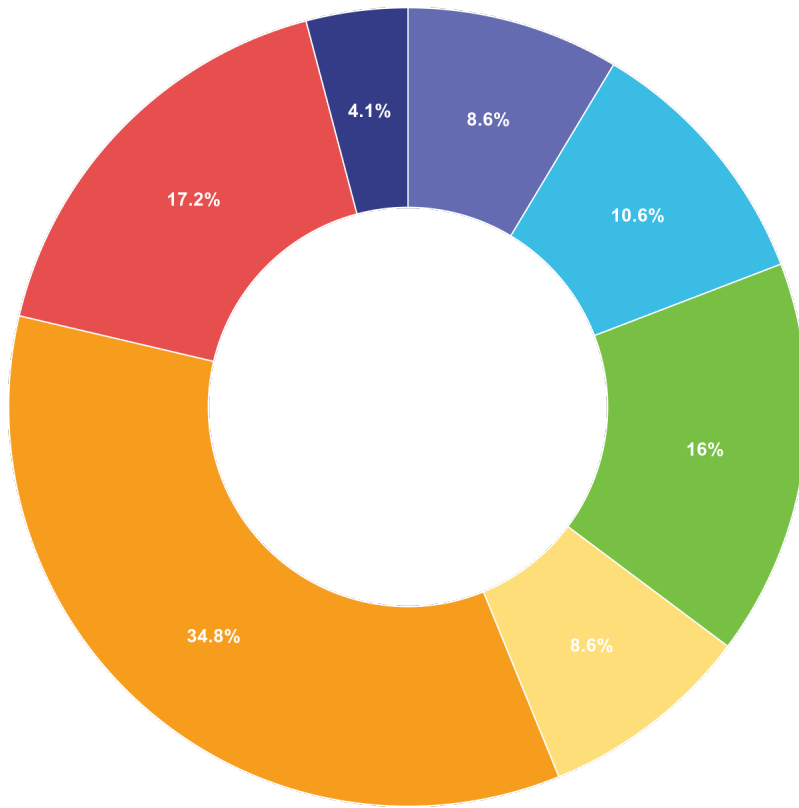
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Choice	Total
Alcohol and drug abuse	4
Bullying (personal threats, gossiping, cyber bullying, etc.)	47
Cliques/peer pressure	46
College prep/school testing	79
Depression/suicide/loss	74
Discrimination (because of appearance, gender, health status, race, sexuality, etc.)	30
Distracted driving	8
Family issues (abuse, divorce, finances, etc.)	51
Health issues (anorexia, bulimia, disease, obesity)	37
Lack of activities outside of school	66



Choice	Total
 Personal Safety (fights, gangs, school violence, threats, etc.)	6
 Poverty	5
 Self-esteem, respect for self and others	116
 Sexual harassment/sexual assault	10
 Smoking/use of tobacco products	4
 Stress/school pressure	177
 Teen crime (shoplifting, vandalism, etc.)	2
 Teen sexual activity or pressure	4
 Other (please specify)	32

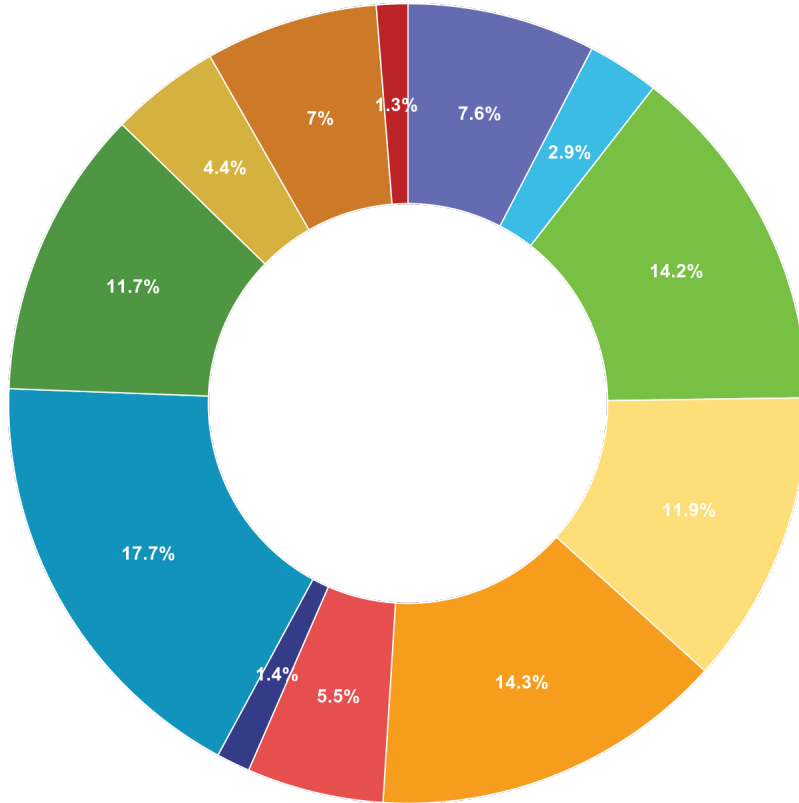
**Q7** What school related activities do you participate in ? Check all that apply.



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Choice	Total
Academic clubs (Quiz Bowl, Foreign Language Clubs, Student Council, BPA, Science Olympiad, etc.)	44
Community service	54
Fine arts (art, band, choir, orchestra, theatre, etc.)	82
None	44
Sports (school teams)	178
Studying/homework/tutoring	88
Other (please specify)	21

Q8 What activities do you participate in outside of school? Check all that apply.



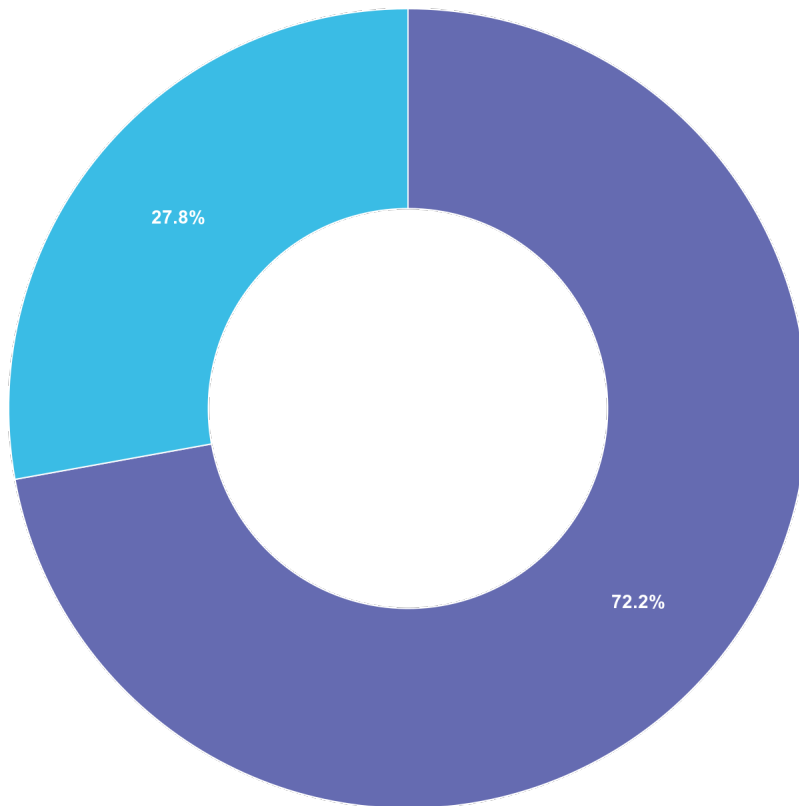
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Choice	Total
 Church/religious activities	84
 Clubs (4H, scouts, etc.)	32
 Computer/TV/video gaming	157
 Exercise	131
 Family activities	158
 Fine arts (art, dance, music, etc.)	61

Choice	Total
None	15
Spend time with friends	195
Sports (club teams, individual athletics, etc.)	129
Volunteering	49
Working	77
Other (please specify)	14

**Q9** Do you feel limited from participating in after-school or weekend activities?\*



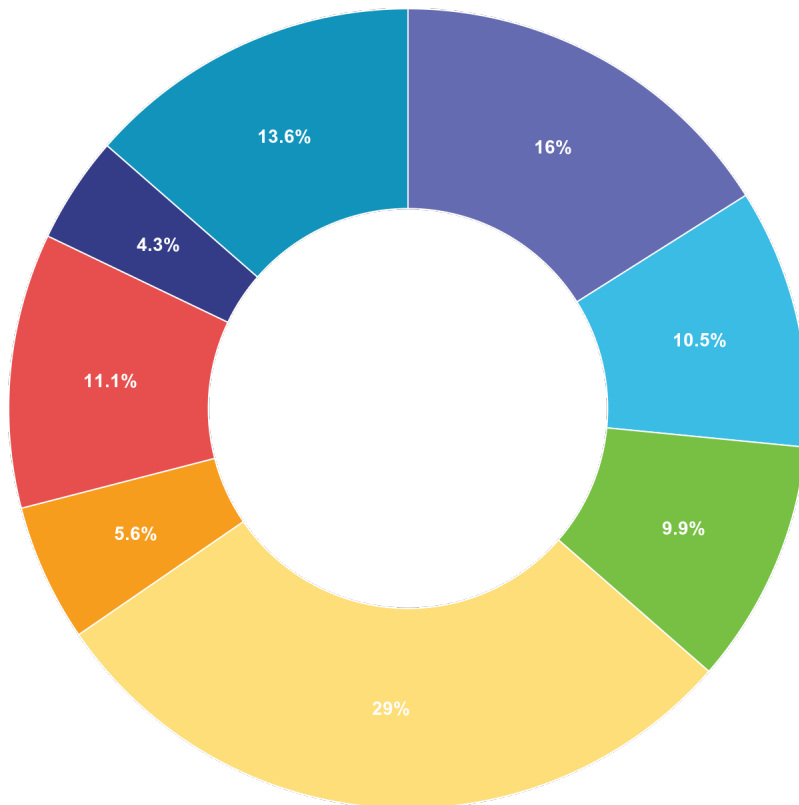
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Choice	Total
<span style="color: #4a5568;">●</span> No	210
<span style="color: #00a0c0;">●</span> Yes	81









**Q10** If yes, what limits you from participating in after-school or weekend activities?

Check all that apply.

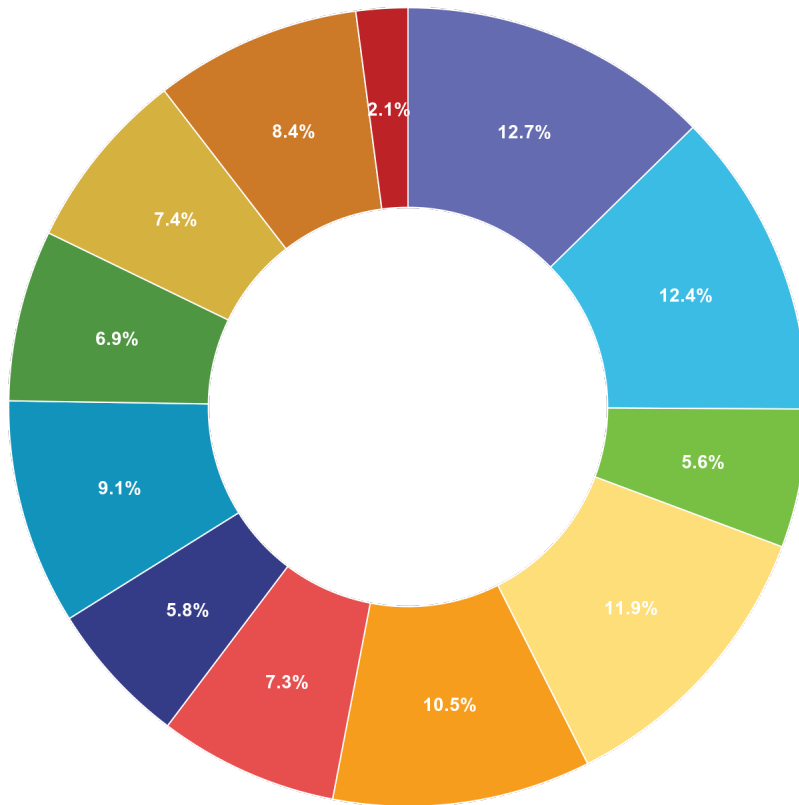


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Choice	Total
 Family obligations	26
 Lack of information	17
 Lack of finances/money	16
 Not enough time	47
 Not interested	9
 Transportation problems	18
 Work obligations	7
 Other (please specify)	22

**Q11** The Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) provides money to support youth programs and activities. Which program areas do you think the YAC should fund?



Answered: 273 Unanswered: 18

Choice	Total
After-school recreation/social activities	115
Career development opportunities (interview skills, resume building, etc.)	113
Community youth organizations (4H, scouts, religious, etc.)	51
Counseling services	108
Educational opportunities	95
Leadership activities	66
Mentoring programs	53
Personal development programs (art, music, theater, etc)	83
Transportation services	63
Tutoring programs	67

<b>Choice</b>	<b>Total</b>
 Volunteer opportunities	76
 Other (please specify)	19