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1. Does your school have a policy that bans indoor smoking? (n=3)	Yes=100.0	Yes=99.3
2. Does your school's policy apply to students? (n=3)	Yes=100.0	Yes=100.0
3. Does your school's policy apply to teachers and staff? (n=3)	Yes=100.0	Yes=98.8
4. Does your school's policy apply to visitors to your school? (n=3)	Yes=100.0	Yes=98.8
5. Does your school have a policy that bans smoking on school grounds for students? (n=3)	Yes=100.0	Yes=95.2
6. If no, where are students permitted to smoke? (n=0)		
Anywhere outside on school property	N/A	Yes=33.3
In a specified area outside on school property	N/A	Yes=66.7
7. Does your school have a policy that bans smoking on school grounds for employees? (n=3)	Yes=0.0	Yes=46.6
8. If no, where are employees permitted to smoke? (n=3)		
Anywhere outside on school property	33.3	23.0
In a specified area outside on school property	66.7	77.0
9. Is smoking permitted at indoor school-related events that occur after school hours? (n=3)	Yes=0.0	Yes=12.8
10. Is smoking permitted at outdoor events that occur after school hours? (n=3)	Yes=100.0	Yes=49.1

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11. To what extent do students comply with the existing smoking policies? (n=3)		
All of the time	100.0	48.1
Most of the time	0.0	47.1
Some of the time	0.0	4.5
Never	0.0	0.3
12. Other than the principal, is anyone assigned to monitor specific problem areas for smoking (such as bathrooms, hallways, etc)? (n=3)	Yes=100.0	Yes=88.4
13. How effective is this in curtailing student smoking in your building? (n=3)		
Very effective	100.0	79.6
Somewhat effective	0.0	20.2
Not at all effective	0.0	0.2
14. Are signs posted at your school that say tobacco use is prohibited? (n=3)	Yes=100.0	Yes=69.7
15. How is the student policy communicated? (n=3)		
Student handbook	100.0	95.3
Hallways	0.0	17.7
Classrooms	0.0	12.0
Restrooms	0.0	8.0
Administrative offices	0.0	10.2
Not communicated	0.0	0.4

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16. How is the employee policy communicated? (n=3)

Faculty handbook	100.0	85.1
Administrative offices	0.0	15.2
Teacher's lounge	0.0	6.9
Not communicated	0.0	2.8

17. For a first time offense, what action is taken when a student violates the smoking policy? (n=3)

Verbal reprimand	100.0	27.3
Written reprimand	0.0	17.9
Notification of parents	33.3	52.8
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Detention hall	0.0	18.8
Probation	0.0	1.7
In school suspension	0.0	30.1
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Smoking education class	0.0	3.0
Mandatory smoking cessation class	0.0	1.7
Voluntary smoking cessation class	66.7	12.6

18. For a second time offense, what action is taken when a student violates the smoking policy? (n=3)

Verbal reprimand	66.7	11.8
Written reprimand	100.0	21.6
Notification of parents	100.0	49.6
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Detention hall	0.0	10.8
Probation	0.0	2.5
In school suspension	0.0	35.0
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Smoking education class	66.7	3.5
Mandatory smoking cessation class	66.7	15.7
Voluntary smoking cessation class	0.0	1.1

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19. For 3 or more offenses, what action is taken when a student violates the smoking policy? (n=3)

Verbal reprimand	66.7	8.3
Written reprimand	100.0	14.7
Notification of parents	33.3	40.9
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Detention hall	0.0	6.4
Probation	0.0	3.1
In school suspension	0.0	19.6
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Smoking education class	0.0	3.9
Mandatory smoking cessation class	66.7	20.5
Voluntary smoking cessation class	20.0	1.7

20. For a first time offense, what action is taken when an employee violates the smoking policy? (n=3)

Verbal reprimand	100.0	63.3
Written reprimand	0.0	16.2
Suspension from work	0.0	1.7
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Smoking education class	0.0	0.4
Mandatory smoking cessation program	0.0	0.1

21. For a second time offense, what action is taken when an employee violates the smoking policy? (n=3)

Verbal reprimand	0.0	12.3
Written reprimand	100.0	56.4
Suspension from work	0.0	6.0
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Smoking education class	0.0	0.4
Mandatory smoking cessation program	0.0	0.0

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22. For 3 or more offenses, what action is taken when an employee violates the smoking policy? (n=3)		
Verbal reprimand	0.0	5.2
Written reprimand	33.3	17.5
Suspension from work	0.0	25.8
Smoking education class	0.0	3.2
Mandatory smoking cessation program	0.0	0.6
23. Does your school have a policy that bans smokeless tobacco use? (n=3)	Yes=100.0	Yes=95.9
24. If yes, does your policy apply to students? (n=3)	Yes=100.0	99.9
25. If yes, does your policy apply to teachers and staff? (n=3)	Yes=100.0	94.7
26. If yes, does your policy apply to visitors at your schools? (n=3)	Yes=100.0	92.1
27. If yes, where is smokeless tobacco use prohibited? (n=3)		
Indoors	100.0	88.1
Outdoors on school grounds	66.7	61.0
28. Do you provide direct smoking cessation services to students and/or employees at your school? (n=3)	Yes=0.0	Yes=27.2
29. If yes, what resources are available at your school? (n=0)		
Cooper/Clayton Method to Stop Smoking	N/A	11.9
TEG (Tobacco Education)	N/A	50.5
TAP (Tobacco Cessation)	N/A	35.1
N.O.T. (Not on Tobacco cessation program)	N/A	4.1
N.O.T. (Alternative to Suspension)	N/A	5.7

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30. How often are the smoking cessation classes offered at your school? (n=0)		
Once a year	N/A	5.5
Once every school semester or session	N/A	23.8
Every 12 weeks	N/A	6.1
31. What tobacco/advocacy programs are the youth at your school involved in? (n=3)		
TATU (Teens Against Tobacco Use)	0.0	10.0
START (Students Teaching Awareness Regarding Tobacco)	0.0	0.7
SQUADS (Study, Question, Understand, Act, Debrief, & Success)	0.0	1.8
Champions for a Drug-Free Kentucky	0.0	9.9
SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions)	33.3	21.0
Other program	66.7	51.9
None	0.0	11.7
32. Is tobacco advertising prohibited at school or in school publications? (n=3)	Yes=100.0	Yes=92.3
33. Does your school dress code prohibit wearing something that has a tobacco company name or picture on it? (n=3)	Yes=100.0	Yes=89.9
34. Are there any tobacco advertisements within 1,000 feet of the school? (n=3)	Yes=0.0	Yes=14.6
35. Does your school do any fundraising involving bingo halls that allow smoking? (n=3)	Yes=0.0	Yes=8.6
36. Are youth involved in these fundraising efforts allowed to work in bingo halls that allow smoking? (n=0)	N/A	Yes=32.8

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37.	How often do school safety officers or local law enforcement officers enforce tobacco use and possession laws in or around your school? (n=3)		
	Often	0.0	12.4
	Sometimes	0.0	10.8
	Rarely	0.0	17.3
	Never	0.0	35.6
	No officers	100.0	23.9
38.	What happens to youth cited by an officer for possession or use of tobacco at or around your school? (n=0)		
	Tobacco is confiscated	N/A	61.9
	Referred to a tobacco education program (TEG, N.O.T. Alternative to Suspension)	N/A	6.0
	Other	N/A	32.1
39.	Does the school or school district own or lease a tobacco base? (n=3)	Yes=0.0	Yes=6.6
40.	If yes, do students participate in tobacco production on this base? (n=0)	N/A	Yes=31.9
41.	If yes, for what purpose do students participate in tobacco production? (n=0)		
	Fundraising for school activities	N/A	21.4
	Agriculture education	N/A	78.6
42.	Does your school or school district receive money from tobacco companies for any purpose? (n=3)	Yes=0.0	Yes=1.4
43.	Are you contemplating changes in your smoking policy? (n=3)	Yes=0.0	Yes=7.9

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44. How interested are you in receiving assistance on changing your smoking policies? (n=3)		
Very interested	66.7	6.9
Interested	0.0	16.0
Not interested	33.3	77.1
45. Would you be interested in receiving information pertaining to tobacco education statistics, or trends? (n=3)	Yes=66.7	Yes=66.7
PREVENTION CURRICULA		
46 Does your school teach Life Skills Training Program ? (n=3)	Yes=66.7	Yes=25.0
47. If yes, in what grade levels is it taught? (n=2)		
Kindergarten	0.0	3.4
1 st	0.0	3.4
2 nd	0.0	3.9
3 rd	0.0	6.7
4 th	0.0	7.9
5 th	0.0	15.2
6 th	100.0	48.9
7 th	100.0	40.4
8 th	100.0	42.1
9 th	100.0	32.6
10 th	100.0	23.6
11 th	100.0	15.2
12 th	100.0	14.6
48. If yes, do all children in the grade level receive the curriculum? (n=2)	Yes=100.0	Yes=81.8

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49. Does your school teach Project Alert? (n=3)	Yes=0.0	Yes=6.0
50. If yes, in what grade levels is it taught? (n=0)		
4 th	N/A	4.9
5 th	N/A	7.3
6 th	N/A	53.7
7 th	N/A	70.7
8 th	N/A	63.4
9 th	N/A	14.6
10 th	N/A	17.1
11 th	N/A	9.8
12 th	N/A	9.8
51. If yes, do all children in the grade level receive the curriculum? (n=0)	N/A	Yes=83.3
52. Does your school teach Project Northland? (n=3)	Yes=0.0	Yes=7.2
53. If yes, in what grade levels is it taught? (n=0)		
5 th	N/A	2.0
6 th	N/A	73.5
7 th	N/A	48.9
8 th	N/A	48.9
9 th	N/A	4.1
54. If yes, do all children in the grade level receive the curriculum? (n=0)	N/A	Yes=97.3

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55. Does your school teach Here's Looking at You 2000? (n=3)	Yes=33.3	Yes=9.9
56. If yes, in what grade levels is it taught? (n=1)		
Kindergarten	0.0	23.9
1 st	0.0	22.4
2 nd	0.0	22.4
3 rd	0.0	28.4
4 th	0.0	31.3
5 th	100.0	29.9
6 th	100.0	35.8
7 th	100.0	43.3
8 th	100.0	43.3
9 th	0.0	20.9
10 th	0.0	8.9
11 th	0.0	2.9
12 th	0.0	2.9
57. If yes, do all children in the grade level receive the curriculum? (n=1)	Yes=0.0	Yes=88.5

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58. Does your school teach the <u>new</u> version of DARE ? (n=3)	Yes=0.0	Yes=25.5
59. If yes, in what grade level is it taught? (n=0)		
Kindergarten	N/A	3.4
1 st	N/A	4.5
2 nd	N/A	4.5
3 rd	N/A	4.0
4 th	N/A	6.8
5 th	N/A	38.6
6 th	N/A	42.0
7 th	N/A	12.5
8 th	N/A	13.6
9 th	N/A	8.0
10 th	N/A	5.7
11 th	N/A	5.1
12 th	N/A	5.7
60. If yes, do all children in the grade level receive the curriculum? (n=0)	N/A	Yes=93.9

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Does your school teach:		
61. Growing Healthy? (n=3)	Yes=0.0	Yes=4.4
62. Teenage Health Teaching Modules? (n=3)	Yes=0.0	Yes=4.1
63. Project Toward No Tobacco Use (TNT)? (n=3)	Yes=0.0	Yes=3.0
64. ALL STARS? (n=3)	Yes=0.0	Yes=1.3
65. Prime for Life Under 21? (formerly called "Talking with your students about alcohol" (TWYSAA) developed by the Prevention Research Institute in Lexington, KY – a total of 10 lessons) Note: TWYSAA may still be offered in 5 th and 6 th grades (n=3)	Yes=66.7	Yes=7.3
66. Get Real About Violence (n=3)	Yes=0.0	Yes=7.9
67. Reconnecting Youth (n=3)	Yes=66.7	Yes=2.2
68. Second Step (n=3)	Yes=66.7	Yes=18.5
69. Smart Moves (sometimes offered as an after-school program) (n=3)	Yes=0.0	Yes=3.6
70. Minnesota Prevention Program (n=3)	Yes=0.0	Yes=0.7
71. Know Your Body (n=3)	Yes=0.0	Yes=2.2
72. Kentucky Adolescent Tobacco Prevention Program (n=3)	Yes=0.0	Yes=2.7
73. Michigan Model (n=3)	Yes=0.0	Yes=0.3
74. Are you interested in receiving information about research based alcohol, tobacco, and other drug curricula? (n=3)	Yes=66.7	Yes=65.2

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75. Does your school have a specific school health committee that represents various interest groups (parents, teachers, food service staff, FRYSC, etc)? (n=3)		
Yes	0.0	21.3
Yes, but committee does not represent various groups	0.0	4.0
76. If yes, does the committee meet at least four times per year? (n=0)	N/A	Yes=82.2
77. Can all students use your school's indoor and outdoor physical activity facilities free of cost outside of school hours? (After school, evenings, weekends and school vacations) (n=3)		
Yes both indoor and outdoor	33.3	53.6
Yes but indoor only	0.0	2.7
Yes but outdoor only	66.7	19.4
No	0.0	24.3
78. Can the public use your school's indoor and outdoor physical activity facilities –free of cost- outside of school hours? (n=3)		
Yes both indoor and outdoor	0.0	36.3
Yes but indoor only	0.0	1.9
Yes but outdoor only	100.0	25.2
No	0.0	36.6
79. Does your school or school district have an exclusive contract or a pouring rights contract with a soft drink vendor that allows only that vendor to place vending machines in the school? (n=3)	Yes=0.0	Yes=69.9
80. Does your school or school district have a policy that prohibits OR limits junk foods:		
In vending machines (n=3)	100.0	53.2
At student/classroom parties (n=3)	33.3	29.7
At staff meetings (n=3)	0.0	12.3
At after school events (n=3)	0.0	14.2
As reward for good behavior (n=3)	33.3	23.1
As reward for academic performance (n=3)	33.3	23.2

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81. How often do fundraising efforts at your school include the sale of junk food? (n=3)		
Often	0.0	22.9
Rarely	0.0	53.6
Never	100.0	21.5
Policy prohibits fundraising with junk foods	0.0	2.0
Sample characteristics		
Percentage of private schools (n=3)	33.3	17.5
Percentage of principals or assistant principals as respondents (n=3)	100.0	61.8
Mean number of students:		
K-5 grades (n=1)	153.0	244.5
6-8 grades (n=3)	22.0	255.5
9-12 grades (n=2)	29.5	538.8
Participation Rate (n=3)	25.0	76.2

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