

Background

Healthy WAY (Wellness in All Youth) is a leadership development and research training program designed to empower rural Kentucky high school students with skills to identify and develop solutions to health and social issues at the school and community level.

We wanted the students to have the skills to be able to handle different situations in health and social issues.



- **Project Setting/Target Population**
- Location: Pikeville, Kentucky (Pikeville High School)
- Population size: 531 Students



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Project Goals

The Main Goals for Our Project:

What are the problems we need to be focusing on in relation to internet safety?

To understand the experience of the students.

To improve choices students, make when encountering an unwanted situation on the internet.



Project Activities

We had a school <u>assembly</u> led by Sgt. Zach Morris from the KY State Police. He gave information on how to be safe online, and what to do if someone is cyberbullied or being contacted by a predator. He also gave us information on some of the worst sites that teenagers are easily contacted on.

Our <u>Survey</u>: tell us your experiences, so we know how to help.

Our <u>website</u>: Educate you on the topics you brought to our attention and will serve as a quick and easy access for information.

Information Card: Contact numbers for local help and easy access to our informational website.











This project helped us better understand student's experiences, and how we can better educate teenagers. Once educated, the students will be better prepared when they encounter these types of situations.



This project helped us better understand how many people encounter common issues on the internet and how educated they originally are on these topics.

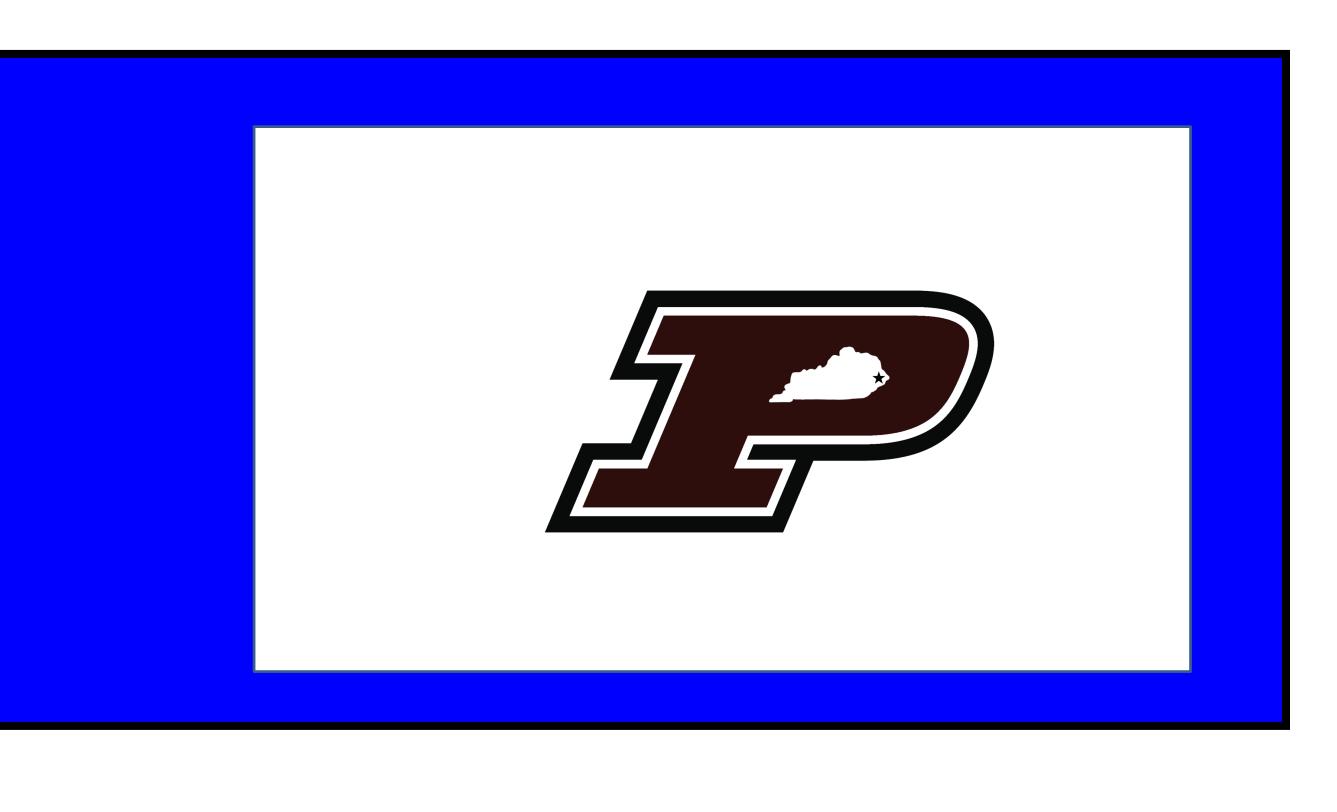
Allowed us to focus on the topics teenagers encounter the most and educate them specifically on what they reported.

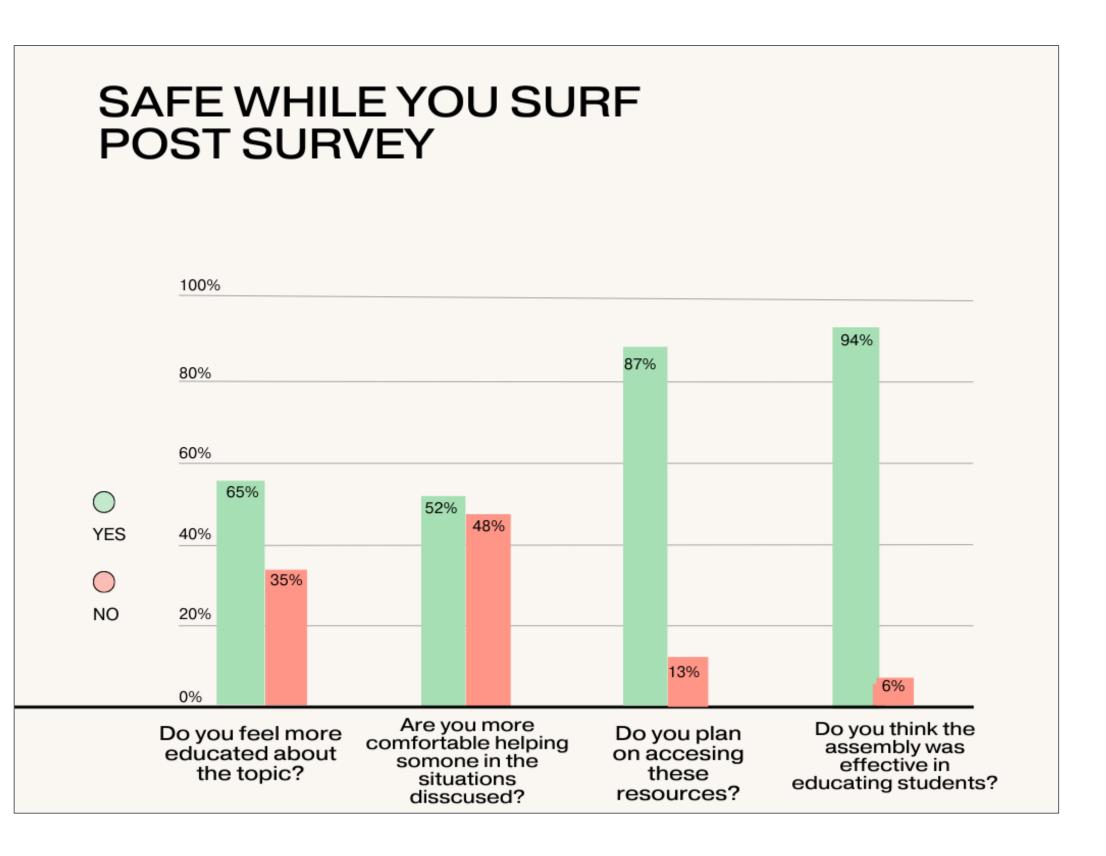


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