BEACH CITIES PARTNERSHIP FOR YOUTH COALITION

reducing substance use and bullying. The Beach Cities Partnership for Youth Coalition includes more than 200 community partners who are improving student mental health and well-being, while

STEERING COMMITTEE





Parents

- and other topics alcohol, social media, bullying
- Educate and empower parent community about youth

HEALTH AND WELLNESS PARENT LIAISONS

Workgroups



Schools



Providers

- Grow network of community and service delivery between community needs partners and bridge gaps
- Cities community and resources with larger Beach Create opportunities for providers to share expertise

PROVIDER TASK FORCE



of programs and policies

COMMUNITY POLICY

Mission:

building coalitions and engaging the community at large expanding school programs and services, convening community partners, health among Beach Cities youth by activating students, educating parents, A community-wide effort to decrease substance use and improve mental

Vision:

of school. and given the opportunity to be healthy, happy and to thrive – both in and out Where each student is empowered to create a purposeful path for themselves















GET INVOLVED

More than 200 local partners have joined the Coalition. Go to bchd.org/partnership for more information.

State of Our Youth's Health: Key Indicators

The following key health indicators are sourced from the California Healthy Kids Survey and aggregated across the three Beach Cities school districts to show our Coalition's progress from 2018-2023.

Mental Health Substance Use Social Connection



The percentage of 11th graders who reported chronic sadness or hopelessness feelings over the past 12 months has decreased from 35% to 27%



The percentage of 9th graders who reported seriously considering attempting suicide in the past 12 months has decreased from 16% to 9%



The percentage of 11th graders who reported to have used drugs or alcohol in the past 30 days, on average, decreased from 43% to 18%



There was a **75% decrease** in the percentage of 11th graders who reported using electronic cigarettes or other vaping devices in the past 30 days between 2018 and 2023



Two out of three 9th graders reported feeling a sense of school connectedness



35% of 7th graders reported experiencing harassment or bullying within the past 12 months

Strategies of the Coalition:

Many of these strategies have proven to be effective in communities across the country through the **federal Drug-Free Communities program**. By utilizing evidence-based practices as well as locally-supported innovations, the Coalition strives to meet the greatest community need to create lasting health improvements through a **collective impact approach:**

- Mobilizing the community around the topics of student stress and substance use prevention
- Establishing the infrastructure to leverage county, state and federal funding opportunities to address these issues
- Creating shared accountability across the various stakeholder groups through a specific measurable action plan
- Exploring public policies to support these efforts

