

Your Homework

On your article, please highlight/circle

- 1) One of the obstacles that you struck you/you felt strongly about
- 2) Write any notes/thoughts in the margins (marginalia)



HOLICONG PARENT COUNCIL

October 20th, 2016

Student Council & KvT Update

***Please welcome Student
Council officer...***

Devin Wu & Weston Emery

November KVT- Food Drive



WHO

WHAT

WHEN

November 9th – 14th

NOV _____ 2016

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TOYS FOR TOTS

- ▶ Holicong Tech ED department is collecting donations
- ▶ Toys need to be new and unwrapped
- ▶ Accepting donations from now through December 12th
- ▶ Drop off donations at Tech Ed room 119
- ▶ Noble cause that allows underprivileged families to have a good holiday

Presentation by
Weston Emery



Toys For Tots

Curriculum Spotlight

***Please welcome English
teacher & department
chair...***

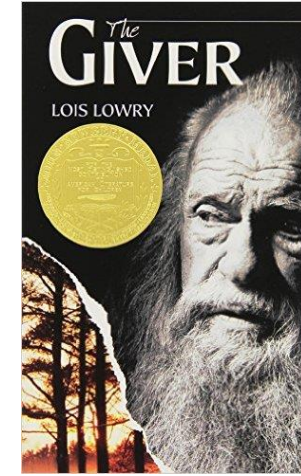
Michelle Ambrosini

Communication Holicong English



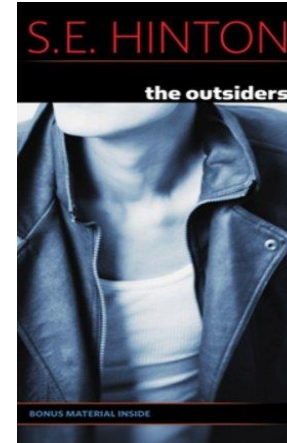
Grade 7: Two class periods

- theme, character, plot structure
- argumentative, informative, narrative



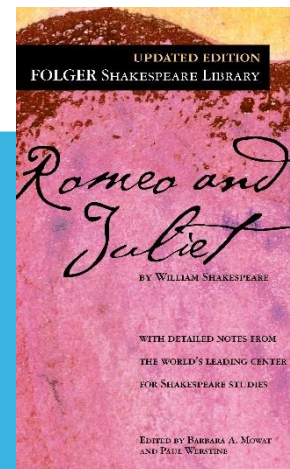
Grade 8: One class period

- setting, conflict, literary devices
- argumentative, informative

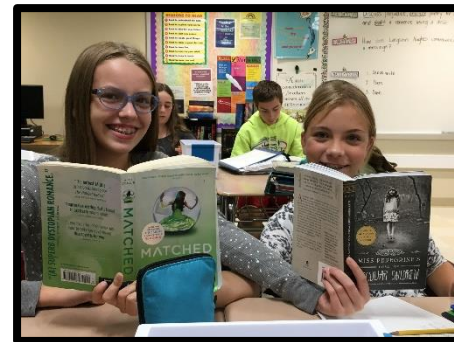
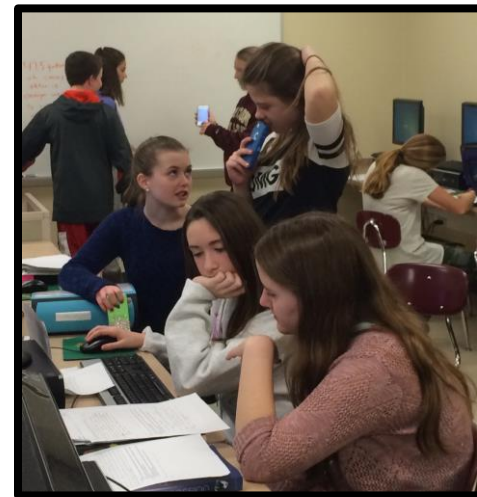
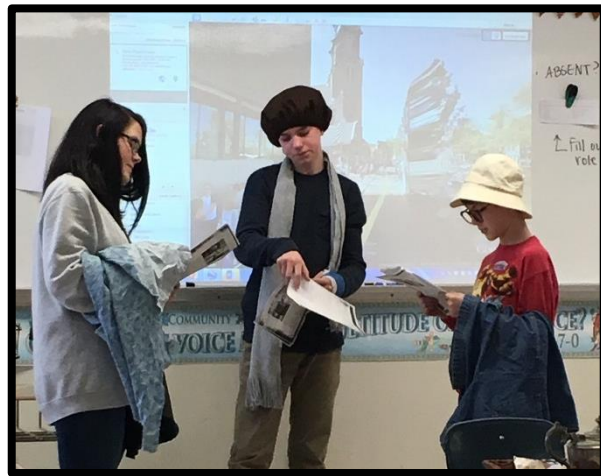


Grade 9: One class period

- theme, point of view, indirect characterization
- narrative, literary analysis



Writer's Notebook
Discussions
Independent Reading
Vocabulary
Research
Literature Circles
Book Clubs
Poetry
Writing Contests
Blogging
Drama
Grammar
Readers' Theater
Writing Workshop



The Daily Read

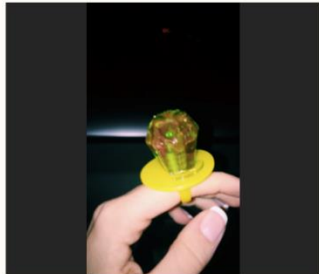
Holicong Coffeehouse

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reality

Get the inside scoop on teen life from the people who know best. Area high school students write candidly on the issues that matter most to young people.



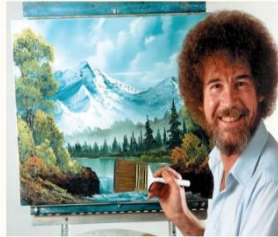
Friend's move leads to hole in my heart and regrets over words left unsaid

By Benjamin Power, Central Bucks East High School
Nov 3, 2016 0



When it comes to politics, no obligation to listen to your parents

By Megan Lunny, Central Bucks East High School
Nov 2, 2016 1



Video game streaming site Twitch again revives Bob Ross's stress-reducing 'Joy of Painting'

By Eric Owens, Central Bucks East High School
Nov 7, 2016 0



Roche: If these are our choices, thank goodness I'm too young to vote

By Owen Roche, Central Bucks East High School
Nov 1, 2016 0



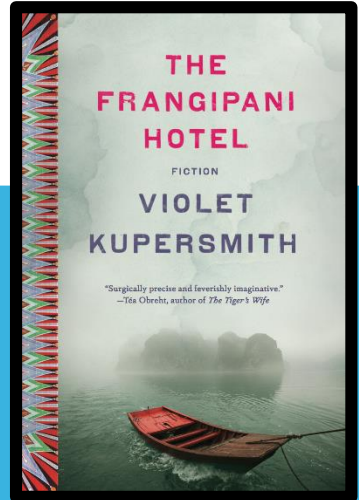
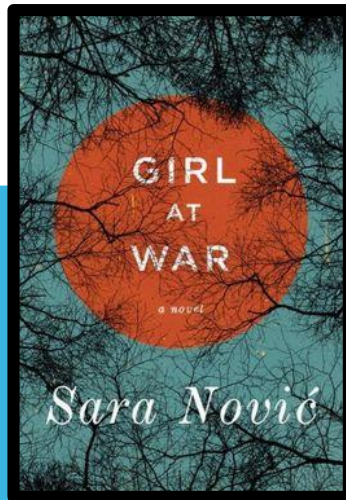
Roche: Get the heck down to Dodge: Poetry festival in North Jersey brings verse nerds together

By Owen Roche, Central Bucks East High School
Oct 26, 2016 0



Trump's disdain for political correctness would be harmful for America

By Sabrina Antonucci, Central Bucks East High School
Oct 25, 2016 2



Curriculum Spotlight

***Please welcome music
teachers...***

Joel Chodoroff & Jim Glaser



HOLICONG MUSIC DEPARTMENT

What's Happening 2016-17

We're Having a Great Year!!

Mr. C, Mrs. DiVasto and Mr. Glaser are having a great time working with the bands, orchestras and choirs!

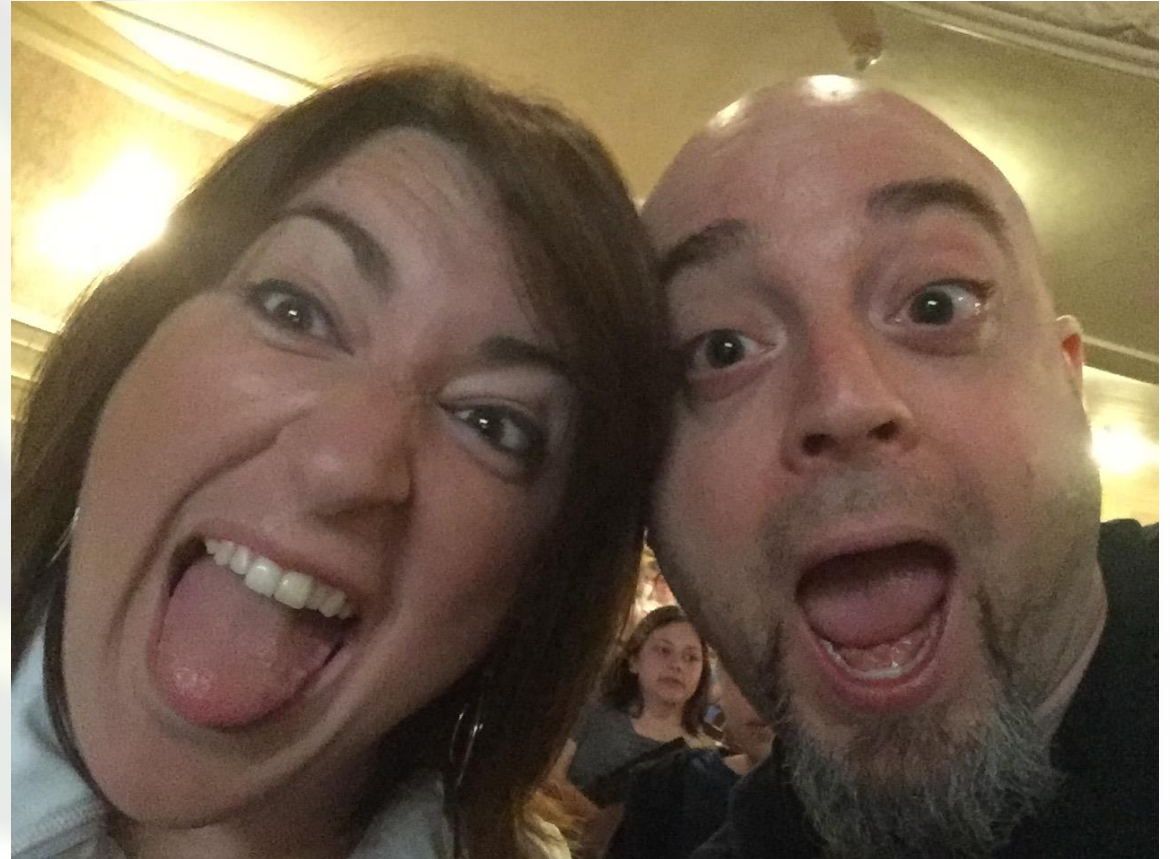
Enrollment this year:

7, 8, 9 Band – 175 students

7, 8, 9 Choir – 260 students

7, 8, 9 Orchestra – 106 students

Mrs. Repper and Mr. Bower are our Exploratory Music teachers this year.



What's Been Happening

- 9th Grade “Tour of the 20th Century” assemblies
- CB East Marching Band (includes Holicong 9th Graders) finishes first at MetLife stadium competition
- CB East Band Trip to Washington DC
- 9th Grade Band/Choir/Orchestra Students Audition for County Music Festival
- Orchestra Performance with Barrage



BARRAGE 8











What's New in Classes

- 7th Grade Chorus and 9th Grade Music classes using “MusicFirst” web-based software platform
- Mrs. DiVasto’s new 7th Grade warm-up and assessment book is printed
- Sightreading Factory software in band and orchestra to instantly create sightreading examples for classes



H-Factor @ Peddler's Village Grand Illumination

H-Factor Performs at Grand Illumination this Friday night!

3 mini concerts at 6:30, 7:20 and 8:00.

Robe Choir members are invited to join us for a song at the 7:20 mini-concert!



2016-17 Winter Concerts

December 1st – *The Greatest: Remembering Muhammad Ali*

- 9th Grade Band, 9th Grade Choir & H-Factor @ 7PM

December 7th – Holicong/East Winter Orchestra Concert (@ East)

- **All Holicong and East Orchestra Groups @ 7PM**

December 8th – Holicong Winter Band Concert

- 7th Grade Band, 8th Grade Band, Jazz Band @ 7PM

January 11th – Holicong Winter Arts Night Choir Concert

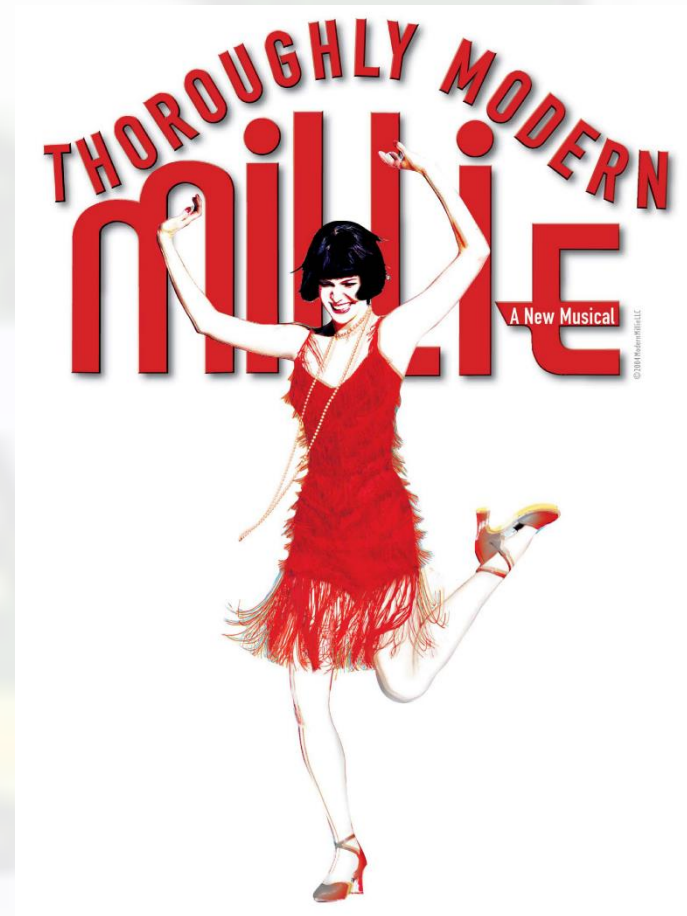
- **7th Grade Chorus, 8th Grade Choir, Robe Choir & Women's Ensemble @ 7PM**

Special Winter Performances

- November 29th – H-Factor at A Woman’s Place Annual Business Meeting
- **December 13th – Wind Ensemble at Mercer Museum**
- December 16th – H-Factor Caroling at Sixers Game
- **December 19th – H-Factor at Habitat for Humanity Restore**

Thoroughly Modern Millie

- This classic show is our musical for 2017!!!
- Meetings will be happening in early December for students interested in performing in the show or working behind the scenes.
- Encourage students to get involved in this fun, exciting activity!



Vh-1 Save the Music Concerts

Weekend of 3 concerts January 27th and 28th bringing our musical community together to raise money for the Vh-1 Save the Music Foundation

- 2017 Theme will be revealed soon!!
- Student performer t-shirt/ticket pre-order forms are going out in the next few days.
- Tickets to public go on sale in mid-December
- Goal this year is to raise \$25,000 for STM
 - Looking for more business sponsorships this year to help us reach our goal.



HOLICONG VALUES STUDENT COUNCIL & GUIDANCE

Focus Group: Character Education Activities

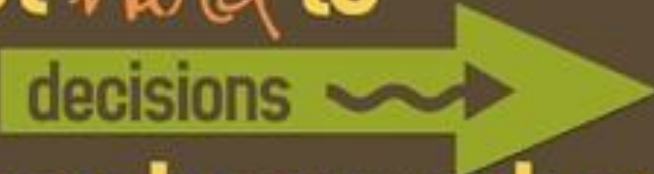
Goal:

- a) To incorporate character education and other lessons (tolerance, bullying, etc.) schoolwide across grade level
- b) To work with students to have them take a leadership role in leading these activities so they are not completely “teacher driven”

What problem are we trying to solve? What are we trying to improve upon?

Teams, teachers, and presenters cover a variety of these topics (Brandon Lutz, Travis Manion, bystander assembly) but hoping to make them more embedded in Holicong culture and planned at the beginning of the year. We want to build off the momentum of last year and have students take on a leadership role in presenting/leading these types of activities, and have created a committee within Student Council to work with counselors, team leaders, and administrator on this.

Holicong Values Program

It's not *hard* to
make **decisions** 
once you know what
your **VALUES** *are.*
~ Roy E. Disney

- **Who:** 2 student council reps and resource teacher from each resource
- **What:** An organized program to bring guidance instruction to small groups
- **Where & When:** Team Time room on the second Friday of each month
- **Why:** To address topics outside the regular curriculum that are relevant to our students

The Lessons

- December 9, 2016

Friendships

There are a bank of over 40 topics to choose from. Each month student leaders will choose topics that they believe are important for their grades to discuss. Lessons will be given to teachers and student leaders, along with any handouts or Power Points. Two students leaders will lead the lesson in your ½ hour Team Time, with teacher support and guidance where needed.



Sample Topics



- Friendship
- Positive Choices
- Digital Literacy & Citizenship
- Tolerance & Diversity
- Time Management
- Conflict Resolution
- Stress Management
- ...and more

PA Youth Survey & Holicong Middle School
Resources

***Please welcome guidance
counselor Greg Striano***

Pennsylvania Youth Survey

- Sponsored by the PA Commission on Crime and Delinquency
- Available at no cost
- Given anonymously to a representative sample of 8th, 10th and 12th grade students
- All 13 Bucks County School Districts participated in 2015
- Questions focus on four domains:
 - Community, School, Family, Peer/Individual

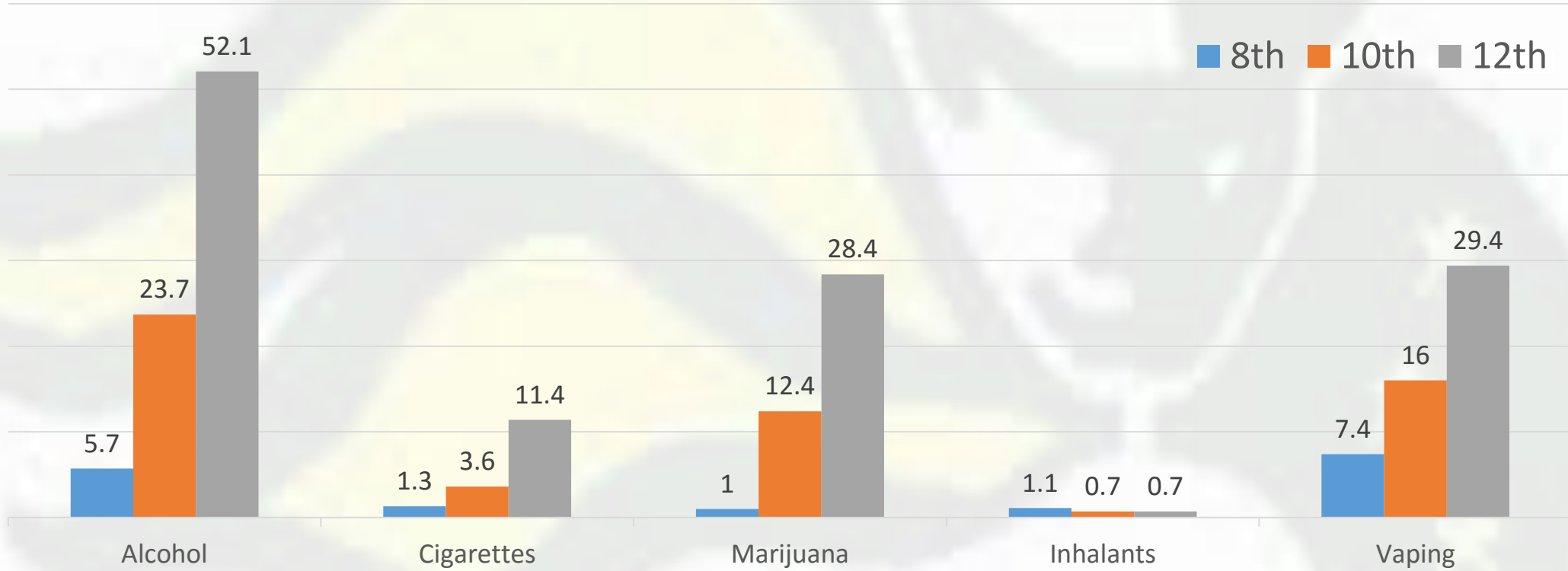
PURPOSE OF SURVEY

- To determine the prevalence and frequency of at risk behaviors including drug, tobacco, alcohol use, bullying, depression and antisocial behaviors.
- To measure risk factors: The conditions likely to increase drug, tobacco, alcohol use and antisocial behaviors.
- To measure protective factors: The assets that guard against drug, tobacco, alcohol use and antisocial behaviors.

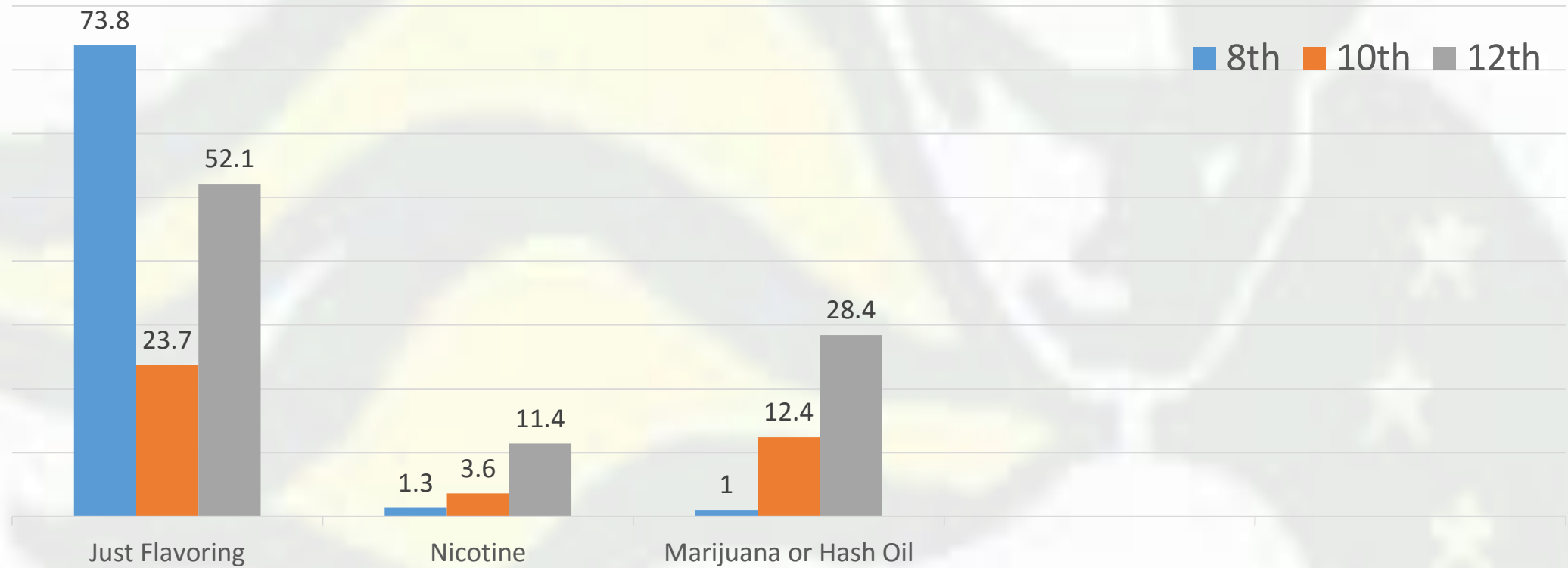
Results from CBSD



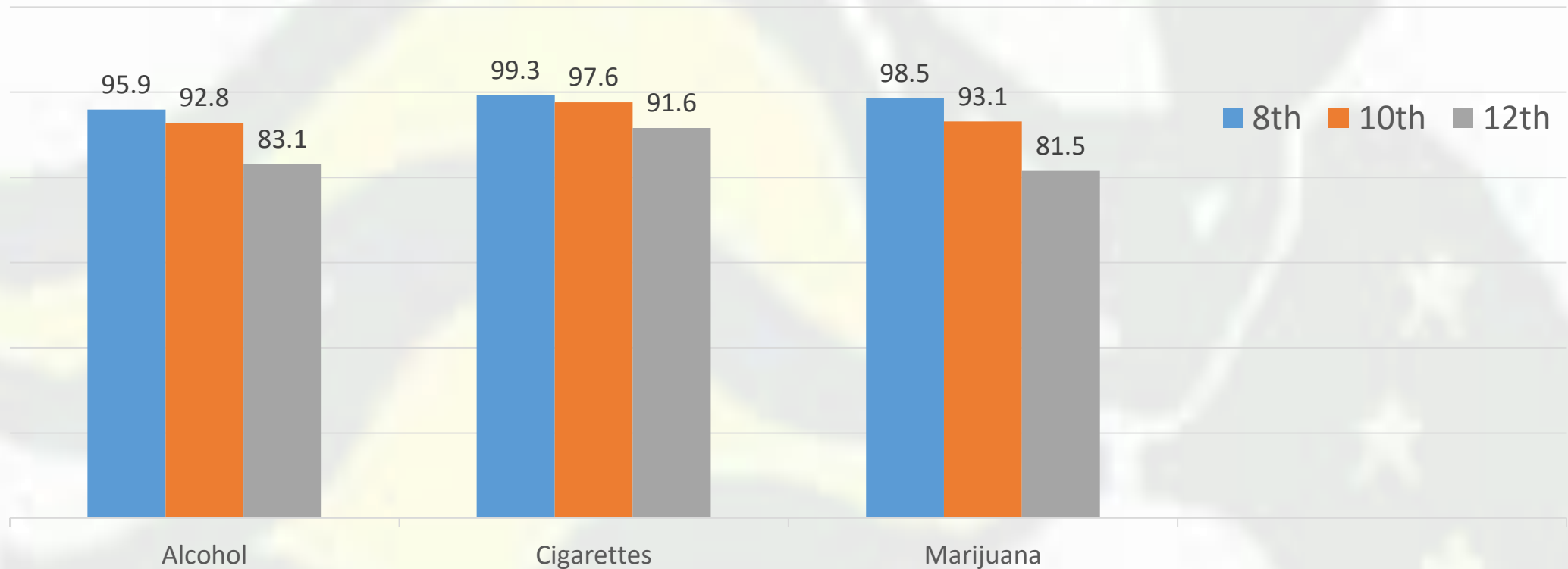
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Past 30 Day Use of Vaping: *Vaping Substance*

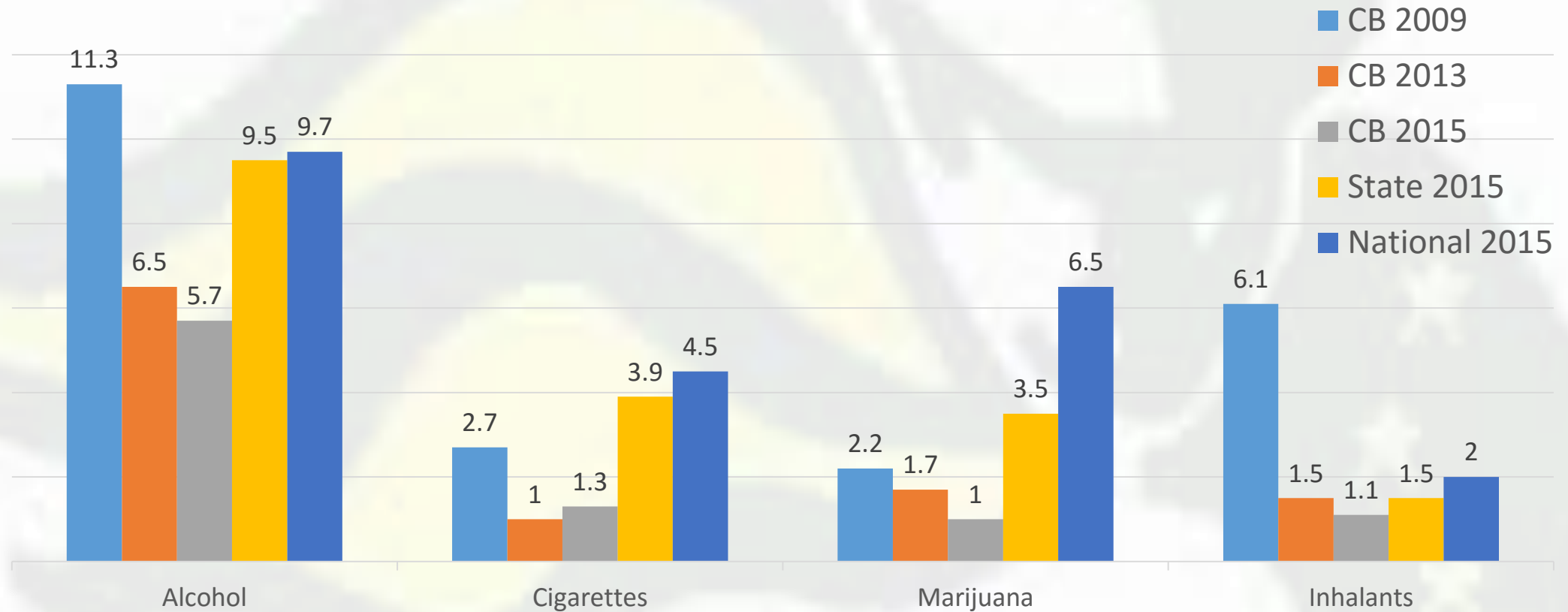


Student Perception of Parental Disapproval *Gateway Drugs*

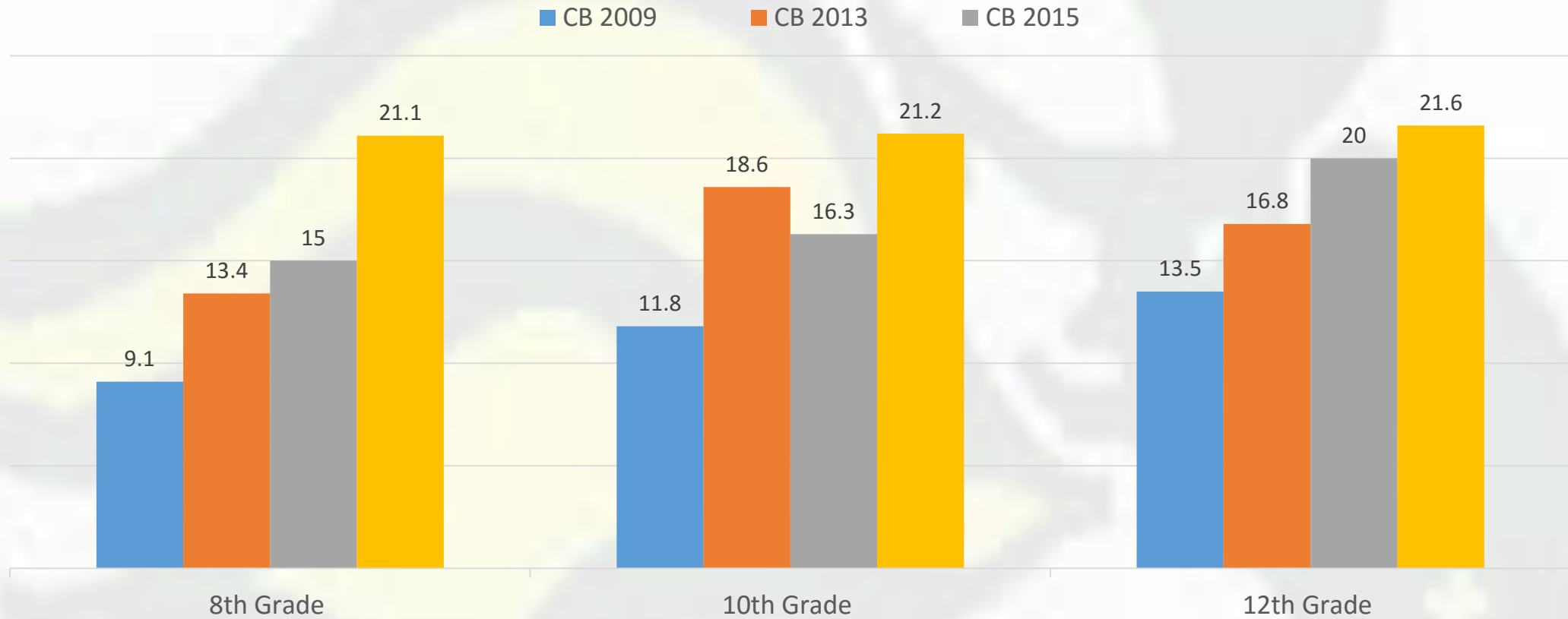


30 Day Use of Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs

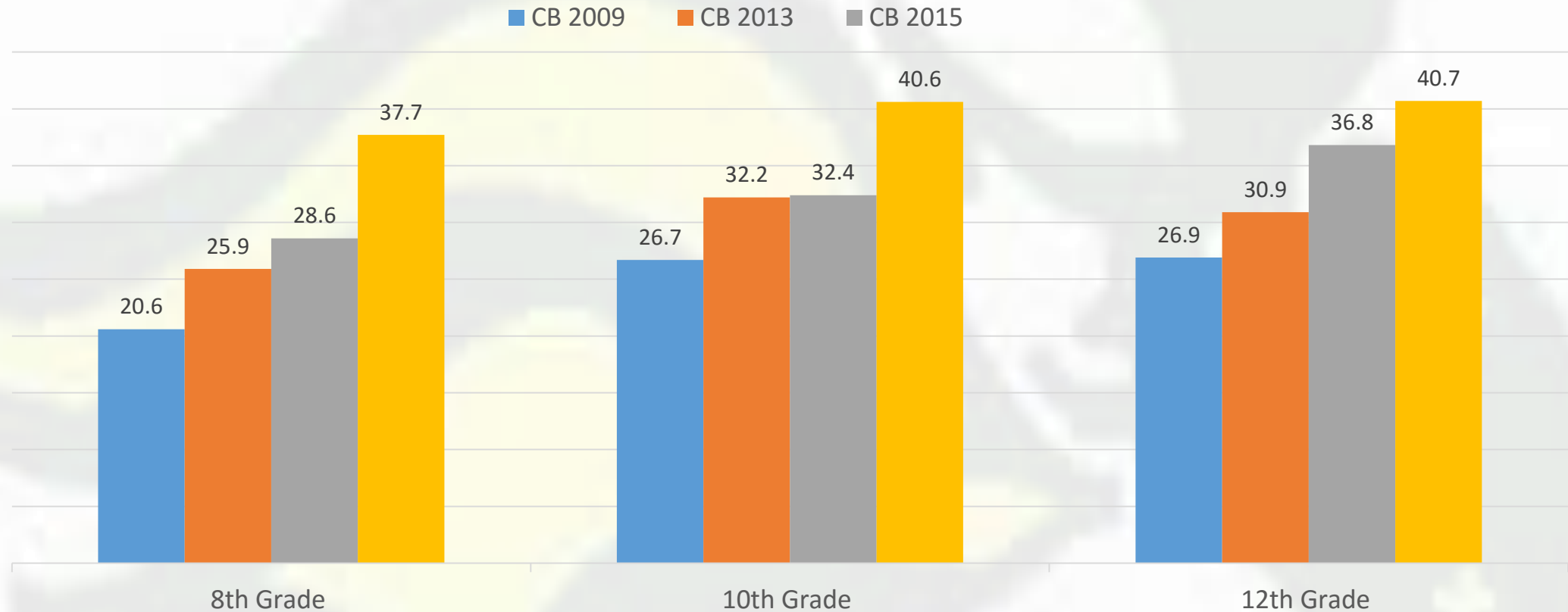
8th Grade Comparisons



Mental Health Issues: I am inclined to think I am a failure



Mental Health Issues: Felt depressed or sad MOST days



What do we do at Holicong? Just a snapshot...

Anxiety

Groups

Reentry plans

Flexibility of scheduling

Communication of treatment

SAP

Faculty Training

Wellness Club

The Daily Read

Inclusion of all students

POPS

“Buddies” for new students

Peer connect

Team activities

Theater

Literary Magazine

Student Council

What do we do at Holicong? Just a snapshot...

Conflict Resolution

- Teambuilding activities
- Guidance led team meetings
- Communication and recognition of Elite 8
- Activities on “perspective” Thorough investigations
- Peer mediations
- Restorative circles & practices
- Internet & Text Education
- Clear expectations & follow through

SAP – Formerly START

The District has made a decision to return to calling this program SAP or Student Assistance Program so there is continuity throughout the schools in the district.

1. What is SAP?
2. How do I make a referral?
3. Who are the team members?
4. What education does SAP provide staff/students?

Grading & Assessment

Group roles:

- 1) The individual at your table who is hosting the most people at Thanksgiving is the “captain.” (keep everyone on task)
- 2) The person to the right of the captain is the recorder. (take notes)
- 3) The person left to the captain is the reporter. (reports out at end)
- 4) The person catty-corner to the captain is the timekeeper. (keeps time)

Grading & Assessment

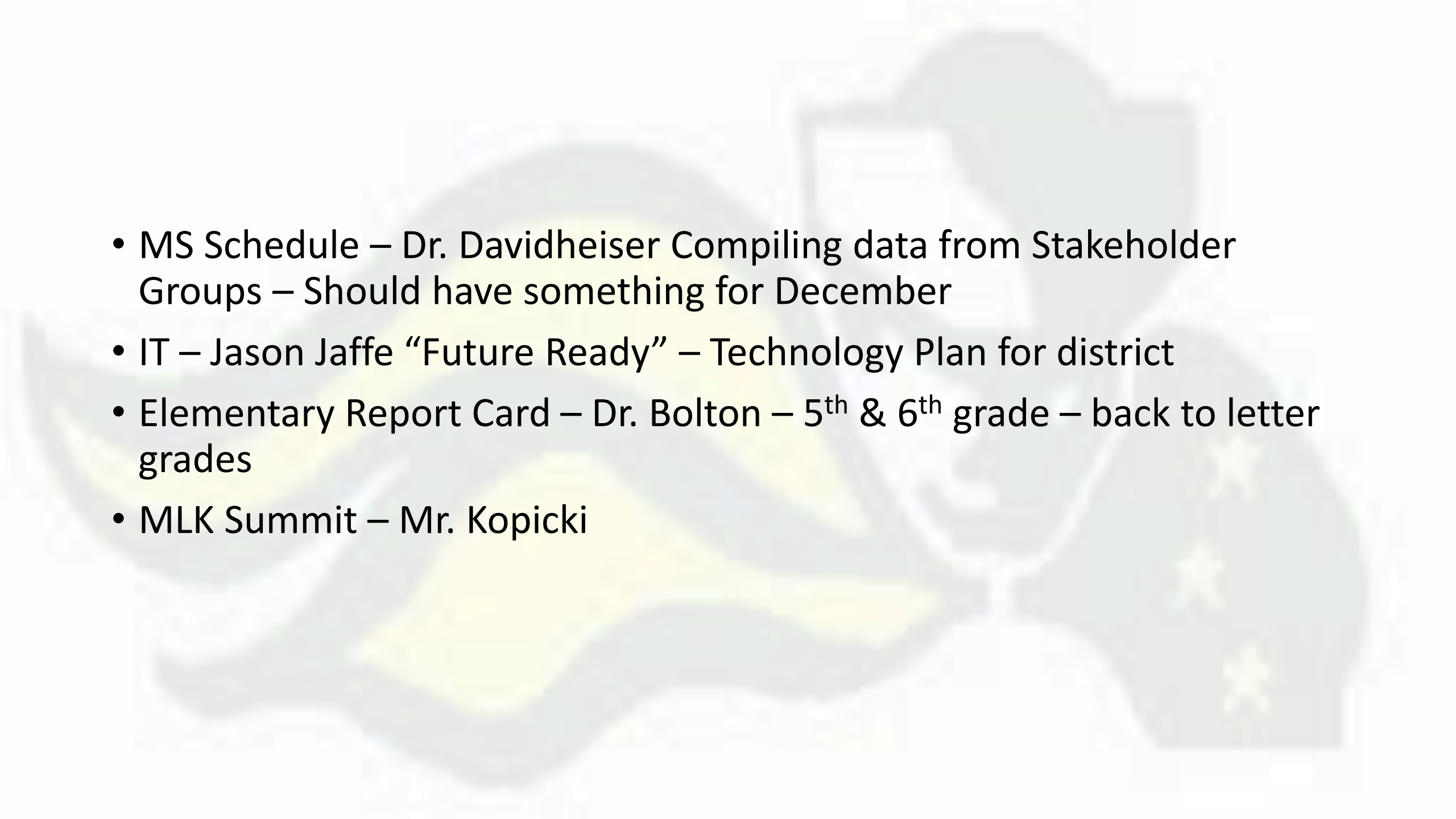
Process:

- 1) Starting with the captain, please take 1 minute to share out one of the obstacles that struck you and why. The rest of the group will “just listen” to this person without responding.
- 2) After the minute is up, the recorder will then have 1 minute to share one of the obstacles that struck him/her and why. This process will continue until everyone in the group has shared.
- 3) When everyone has gone, the group will have 4 minutes to have an open discussion about what was shared. Please come to consensus on the greatest “challenge” that you feel we face in education regrading grading reform.
- 4) The reporter will report out to the entire group

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SUPERINTENDENT PARENT COUNCIL REPORT

Welcome Mr. Deihl

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- MS Schedule – Dr. Davidheiser Compiling data from Stakeholder Groups – Should have something for December
 - IT – Jason Jaffe “Future Ready” – Technology Plan for district
 - Elementary Report Card – Dr. Bolton – 5th & 6th grade – back to letter grades
 - MLK Summit – Mr. Kopicki

QUESTIONS???



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HOLICONG PARENT COUNCIL

October 20, 2016