Fewer Students Are Using Tobacco Products On School Property

Student tobacco use on school property has significantly decreased since 2000.

- The New York State Youth Tobacco Survey shows that fewer high school students are smoking cigarettes and using chewing tobacco on school property.

- In 2006, 6.6% of high school students statewide reported smoking cigarettes on school property, a 37% reduction from 10.5% in 2000.

- Use of chewing tobacco by high school students decreased by the same amount (37%) from 3.0% in 2000 to 1.9% in 2006.

- Nationally, no significant trends were noted for either cigarettes or chewing tobacco on school property.

Source: New York State Youth Tobacco Survey 2000-2006
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