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**2014-2015  
York County  
Youth Commission  
2<sup>nd</sup> Quarterly Report  
December 16, 2014**

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**York County**



# Student Opinion Surveys

## Cafeteria Mini Surveys (CMS) since May 2011

*Students... your opinions matter!* Please take a moment to complete this short questionnaire and share your views on a few topics. County and School officials really want to know what's important to you! In each of the four (4) questions below, please circle the letter of the answer that BEST describes your opinion. If you would like to give more details for your answers, please write your comments in the margins or on the back. Thanks again!

1. In what way do you feel school facilities could be most improved?

- a) Heating and cooling system issues
- b) Overall maintenance and condition of the building
- f) More technology upgrades and time to use student computers
- g) Restroom improvements (more warm water, increased cleanliness)
- h) I am satisfied with the overall condition of school facilities.

2. In what area could school lunches most improve?

- a) More variety
- b) Price of meals
- c) Healthiness of meals
- d) Overall Quality (taste and amount of food)
- f) I am satisfied with our school lunch program.

3. What community environmental issue is most important to you?

- a) Recycling
- b) Environmental education
- c) Traffic congestion and gas emissions
- d) Continued growth and development within the county
- e) None of these issues are of major importance to me right now.

4. What health/social issue is of most concern to you living here?

- a) Stress
- b) Violence (including bullying)
- c) Promotion of healthy habits and lifestyle (nutrition, exercise, sleep)
- d) Substance abuse (alcohol or drugs) and peer pressure to participate
- e) None of the above issues are of major concern to me right now.

This mini-survey co-sponsored by your friends in the York County Youth Commission (YCYC) & York High's National Honor Society



# December 2014

**Hey York Falcons!** Please take a minute on this 4-question survey to share **your input** with County and School officials on the following topics. **Thanks for your time!**

- 1) What subject do you need extra help in most outside of school? (Circle one)
- a. English
  - b. Math
  - c. Science
  - d. Social Studies
- 2) For each subject below, circle how prepared you feel for tests/Exams/SOLs:
- |                    |               |          |              |            |
|--------------------|---------------|----------|--------------|------------|
| a. English:        | very prepared | prepared | not prepared | no opinion |
| b. Math:           | very prepared | prepared | not prepared | no opinion |
| c. Science:        | very prepared | prepared | not prepared | no opinion |
| d. Social Studies: | very prepared | prepared | not prepared | no opinion |

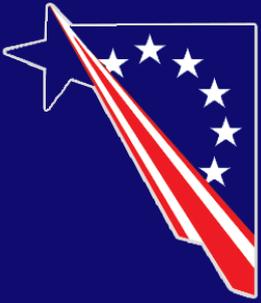
Questions 3 and 4 are about bullying. "**Bullying**" can take place in different ways, but always tries to hurt or dominate another. It is often repeated. It can include: **cyberbullying** (thru social media), **verbal harassment** (aggressive put downs, threats, sexual comments), or **physical abuse, aggression and intimidation**.

- 3) What would you normally do if you witnessed or experienced bullying? (Read all choices first; then circle *as many* as you would *normally* do)
- a. Speak directly to the bully or bullies
  - b. Tell parents
  - c. If at school, tell a staff member (principal, teacher, counselor, coach, school resource officer, etc.)
  - d. Probably ignore it
- 4) How well does administration handle bullying within the school? (Circle one)
- a. Usually very well
  - b. Generally okay
  - c. Not very well
  - d. No opinion

Please Circle Your Grade: 9 10 11 12

Your Name (Optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Write comments on the back if you like. Survey co-sponsored by students in the York County Youth Commission (YCYC) and York High's NHS.

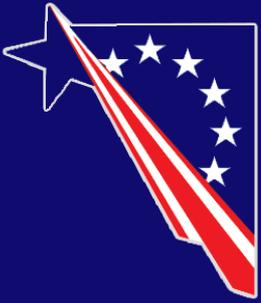


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# 2011-14 High School Cafeteria Mini Survey (CMS) Survey Sample Size

- **Minimum Goal:** 15%
- **Avg. for 9 Surveys:** 30%

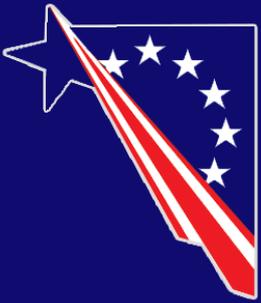


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## 2014-15 CMS-1 Survey Sample Size

- HS Enrollment: 4,128...students
- Minimum Goal: 15%.....619 students
- **Dec. 2014 CMS: 44%...1,827 students**

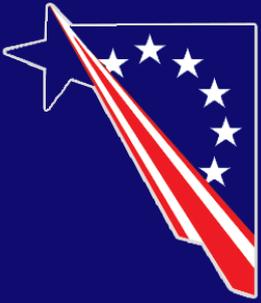


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# School Principals and NHS Sponsors

- **Bruton High – Principal: Dr. Swanson  
Sponsor: Ms. Valledor**
- **Grafton High – Principal: Mr. Hart  
Sponsor: Ms. Logan**
- **Tabb High – Principal: Ms. Seiders  
Sponsor: Mr. Martinez**
- **York High – Principal: Dr. Crump  
Sponsors: Ms. Field, Ms. Hardesty**
- **York River Academy – Principal: Mr. Cross**



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**Question #1: “What subject do you need extra help in most outside of school?” (Circle one)**

- a) English**
- b) Math**
- c) Science**
- d) Social Studies**

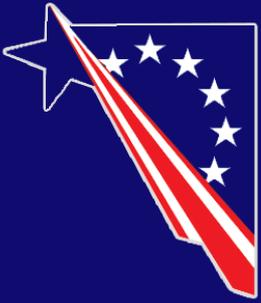


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**Question #2: “For each subject below, circle how prepared you feel for tests/Exams/SOLs:”**

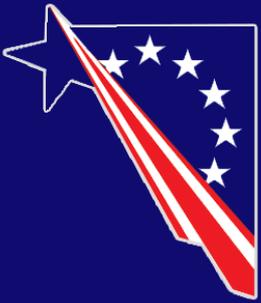
	<b>Very Prepared</b>	<b>Prepared</b>	<b>Not Prepared</b>	<b>No Opinion</b>
<b>a) English:</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>b) Math:</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>c) Science:</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>d) Social Studies:</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____



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# The Issue of Bullying in our Community

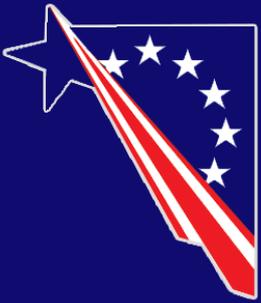


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**Dec. 2013 Bullying Question #1:**  
“What type of bullying do you  
experience most living here?” (Circle one)

- |   |            |
|---|------------|
| a) Cyberbullying (bullied thru Texting, Twitter, Facebook, etc.)      | <b>10%</b> |
| b) Verbal Harassment (aggressive put downs, threats, sexual comments) | <b>27%</b> |
| c) Physical abuse, aggression or intimidation                         | <b>5%</b>  |
| d) I have not personally experienced any bullying living here         | <b>58%</b> |



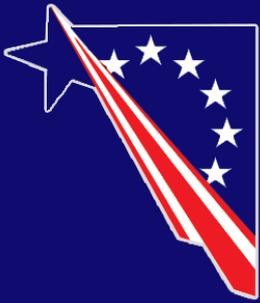
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## Dec. 2013 Bullying Question #2:

“How widespread is the problem of bullying in our community?” (Circle one)

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|---|-----|
| a) A <u>very serious problem</u> here (frequently happens and hurts many youth) | 10% |
| b) A <u>fairly bad problem</u> here (occasionally happens and hurts some youth) | 27% |
| c) <u>Not that bad a problem</u> here (rarely happens and hurts very few youth) | 45% |
| d) <u>No problem at all</u> here (I am not aware of it happening to any youth)  | 18% |

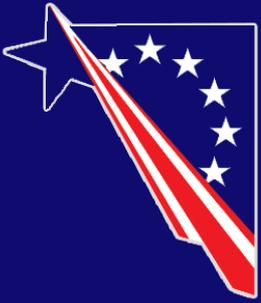


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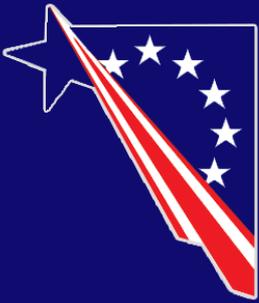
## Definition

“Bullying can take place in different ways, but always tries to hurt or dominate another. It is often repeated. It can include: **cyberbullying** (thru social media), **verbal harassment** (aggressive put downs, threats, sexual comments) or **physical abuse, aggression and intimidation.**”



# Tallying Results



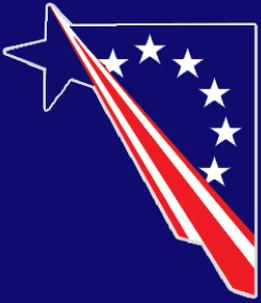


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**Question #3: “What would you normally do if you witnessed or experienced bullying?” (Read all choices first; then circle as *many* as you would normally do)**

- |   |            |
|---|------------|
| <b>a) Speak directly to the bully or bullies</b>  | <b>36%</b> |
| <b>b) Tell parents</b>  | <b>14%</b> |
| <b>c) If at school, tell a staff member<br/>(principal, teacher, counselor, coach,<br/>school resource officer, etc.)</b> | <b>27%</b> |
| <b>d) Probably ignore it</b>  | <b>23%</b> |



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**Question #4: “How well does administration handle bullying within the school?” (Circle one)**

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|-----------------------------|------------|
| <b>a) Usually very well</b> | <b>15%</b> |
| <b>b) Generally okay</b>    | <b>37%</b> |
| <b>c) Not very well</b>     | <b>27%</b> |
| <b>d) No opinion</b>        | <b>21%</b> |

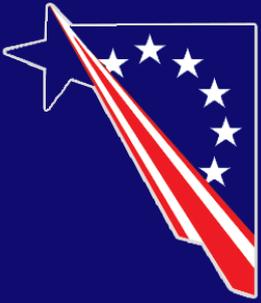


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# 2015 Outstanding Youth Awards

- **\$500 Educational Scholarships**
- **Four Categories:**      **Community Service**  
   **Compassion**  
   **Courage**  
   **Overall Achievement**
- **Nominations due February 11, 2015**



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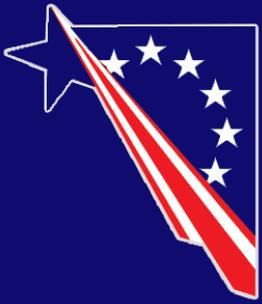
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# Applications

## 2015-16 York County Youth Commission

**Students Currently in Grades 8-11**

**Applications Due March 4, 2015**



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**Parks, Recreation and  
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