MISSAUKEE AREA YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE NEEDS ASSESSMENT SURVEY RESULTS

APRIL 17TH-20TH, 2013

The Missaukee Youth Advisory Committee administered a Youth Needs Assessment Survey to the Lake City High School Sophomore students. The purpose of the survey was to obtain information from the youth population regarding issues facing young students today, as well as to obtain information about needed supplemental programs that students felt would benefit them and the community, if offered.

The completed results are as follows:

- 1. Grant-supported activities that would be supported by youth if available based on current needs of the community. The following activities were identified as top three (3) priorities:
 - a. After-school sport programs
 - b. Art, music and fitness supplemental activities
 - c. Job preparation and student leadership activities
- 2. The second part of the survey asked students to identify the top three (3) issues facing young people in the community today. The results are in order of priority:
 - a. Stress
 - b. Alcohol and drug abuse
 - c. Teen sexuality issues
 - d. Career and college pressures
 - e. Teen smoking

When considering all topics that were identified in the survey results, three (3) areas were highlighted as a concern for the majority of students:

- 1. Racial tension
- 2. Drug and alcohol abuse
- 3. Teen stress

The results of the survey are being used to help in future decision making when allocating funds for youth grants.