

VIOLENCE IS REAL

for young people especially lesbian, gay, and bisexual

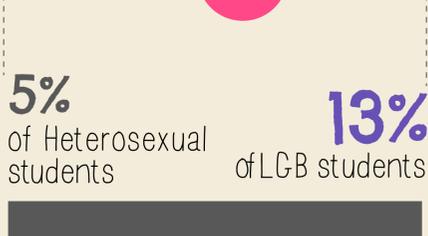
LGB YOUTH



High School Students reported they...

Skipped School*

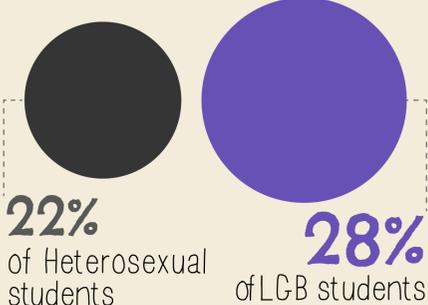
at least once because of feeling unsafe at school or on their way to or from school.



While off School Grounds, they...

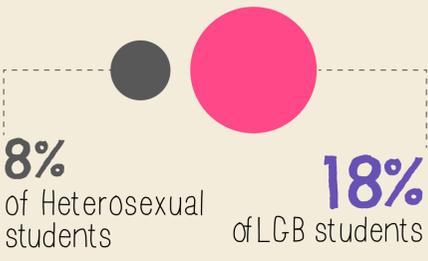
...were in a

Physical Fight**



...experienced

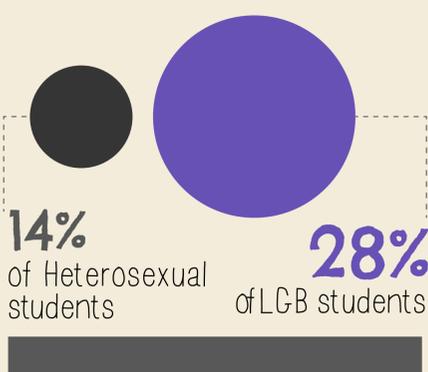
Physical Dating Violence**



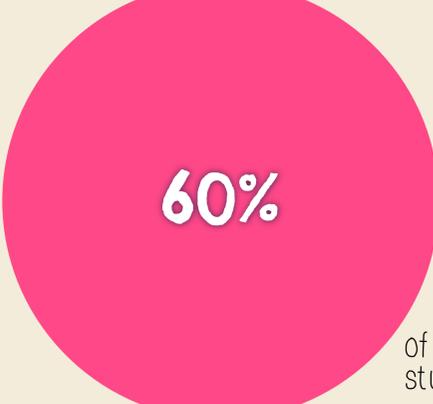
...were

Cyber Bullied**

via social media, email, online chat rooms, instant messaging, websites, or texting.



It could be someone you **KNOW. TEACH. LOVE.**



felt SAD or HOPELESS**

*In the 30 days before the survey **During the 12 months before the survey



Prevention is possible!

Be the change in your community.

- Be a mentor or tutor.
- Volunteer at schools and in your community.
- Model how to respond nonviolently to conflict, stress, and fear.
- Notice good choices and praise them.
- Prevent minors from getting unsupervised access to firearms.
- Help prevent bullying and sexual harassment.
- Ensure school staff care about who students are and what they learn.
- Start or join a youth violence prevention coalition.

SAFE AND SUPPORTIVE

relationships and environments improve **EDUCATION, SAFETY, AND HEALTH** — for all youth.



www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention
www.cdc.gov/healthyyouth

For the 2015 national Youth Risk Behavior Survey, 15,713 questionnaires were completed in 125 public and private schools.

Source: Kann, L; Olsen, EO; McManus, T; et al., Sexual Identity, Sex of Sexual Contacts, and Health-Related Behaviors Among Students in Grades 9–12 – United States and Selected Sites, 2015. MMWR Surveill Summ 2016; 65 (No. SS-9): 1-202.

