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Education Access and Quality

Social determinants of health (SDOH) are the social, economic, and environmental conditions that affect everyone's health and quality of life. They are grouped into five domains: health care access and quality, education access and quality, social and community context, economic stability, and neighborhood and built environment. This report focuses on the education access and quality aspect of SDOH.

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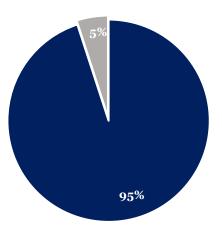
Social Determinants of Health



Adult Education

95% of adults in Wood County had at least a **high school diploma.**

High school diploma or higher
No high school diploma or higher



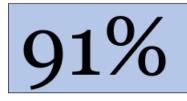
1 in 3 Wood County residents age 25 and older had at least a bachelor's degree.

37% of Wood County residents age 25 and older had at least a bachelor's degree.

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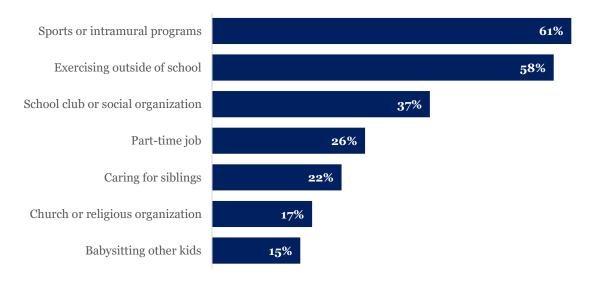
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Youth Education

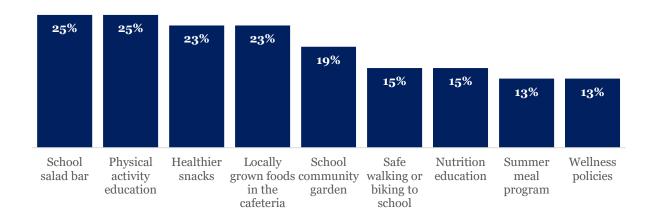


of Wood County youth participated in extracurricular activities.

58% of Wood County youths **exercised outside of school**.



Wood County's youth exercise percentage is much higher than the Healthy People 2030 goal of 24.1%.



At least **a quarter** of Wood County youth want to see an **improvement initiative** in their school.

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Education Access and Quality: Why It Matters

Education is important to the future of all Wood County residents. The quality of education they receive provides a strong foundation for future education and job prospects. Youth participation in extracurricular activities such as sports, intramural programs, exercising, and school clubs all benefit students.

Education Access and Quality: What Can Be Done

School improvement initiatives should be supported by the county schools through bringing in healthier foods for lunches and snacks, improving physical and nutritional education and encouraging the implementation of wellness policies will serve to improve the health of Wood County youth. Continuing to support funding for extracurricular activities will help keep students active and socializing.

Education Access and Quality: Resources

- Wood County Educational Service Center: provides homework assistance, breakfast and snacks, and physical activity to children from kindergarten to sixth grade; on sliding scale fee system <u>https://www.wcesc.org/programs-and-</u> <u>services/before-afterschool-summer-camp/</u>
- Wood County District Library: have children access literature, take spelling and vocabulary tests, and receive homework help. <u>https://wcdpl.org/parent-teacherstudent-resources</u>
- Wood Soil and Water Conservation District: provides community, youth and adult volunteering programs http://www.woodswcd.com/education--outreach.html