Brewster School District will be participating in the 2012 Healthy Youth Survey. In order to help students grow up in healthy surroundings, we need to know more about the strengths and challenges in our communities and its programs for young people.

**What is it?**
The Washington State Healthy Youth Survey measures health risk behaviors that contribute to morbidity, mortality, and social problems among youth in Washington State. These behaviors include alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use, behaviors that result in unintentional and intentional injuries (e.g., violence), dietary behaviors, physical activity, and related risk and protective factors.

**When is it?**
Brewster School District students in grades 6, 8, 10 and 12 will have the opportunity to take the survey in one class period during the week of October 15 - 19, 2012, specifically Wednesday Oct. 17th.

Over 200,000 students in Washington are expected to participate in the statewide survey project. Results will be used to help us evaluate the effectiveness of programs and obtain grant funding. Schools may also use survey data in various school improvement and planning efforts.

This is a completely voluntary and confidential survey, designed to gather information to plan programs that support students in the schools and community.

Please contact your student’s school office if you do not want your child to participate, or if you have questions about the survey. Surveys may be previewed at the Junior/Senior High School office. Brewster High School Office (509)689-3449.

For more information go to:  [www.hys.wa.gov](http://www.hys.wa.gov)