

Fun, Love, Learning and 32n Summer Programming: 32n Youth Participant Survey 2023-24

Starting in January 2024, Community Evaluation Programs at Michigan State University's University Outreach and Engagement serves as the state evaluator for Michigan's 32n state-funded out-of-school time programs (32n OST). Partnering with Michigan After-School Partnership (MASP) and Michigan Department of Lifelong Education, Advancement and Potential (MiLEAP), the state evaluation team aims to examine the access, quality and impact of 32n OST. During the fiscal year of 2024, 121 organizations were funded (grantees), managing a total of 716 sites (144 operated in the school year only, 251 operated only in the summer, and 321 operated in both school year and summer). MSU sent out a youth program experience survey between July - August 2024. More than 3,900 surveys were received from children and youth across 77 grantees and 174 sites. The final sample includes 3,342 valid surveys.

Figure 1 shows the majority of respondents were non-white.

Figure 1. Race & Ethnicity of Youth in 32n Programming

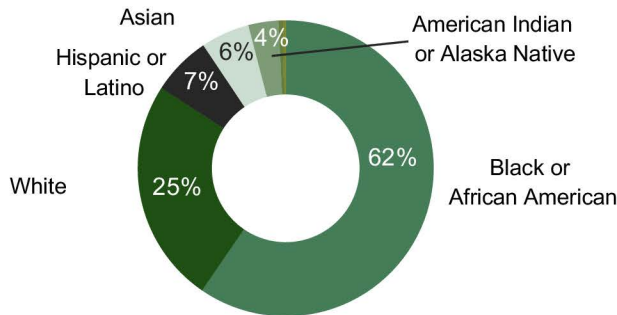


Figure 2 illustrates that youth commonly experienced fun, love, learning and great adult supports in 32n OST.

Figure 2. Youth Feedback



Respondents ranged from K to 12th grades, with most between 3rd and 8th grades. See Figure 3 for details.

Figure 3. Grade Level of Youth in 32n Programming

Kindergarten	118
1st Grade	187
2nd Grade	244
3rd Grade	339
4th Grade	339
5th Grade	368
6th Grade	332
7th Grade	320
8th Grade	265
9th Grade	205
10th Grade	227
11th Grade	192
12th Grade	206

Respondents participated in sports, art, reading and math activities most often as shown in Figure 4.

Figure 4. Most Commonly Participated Activities

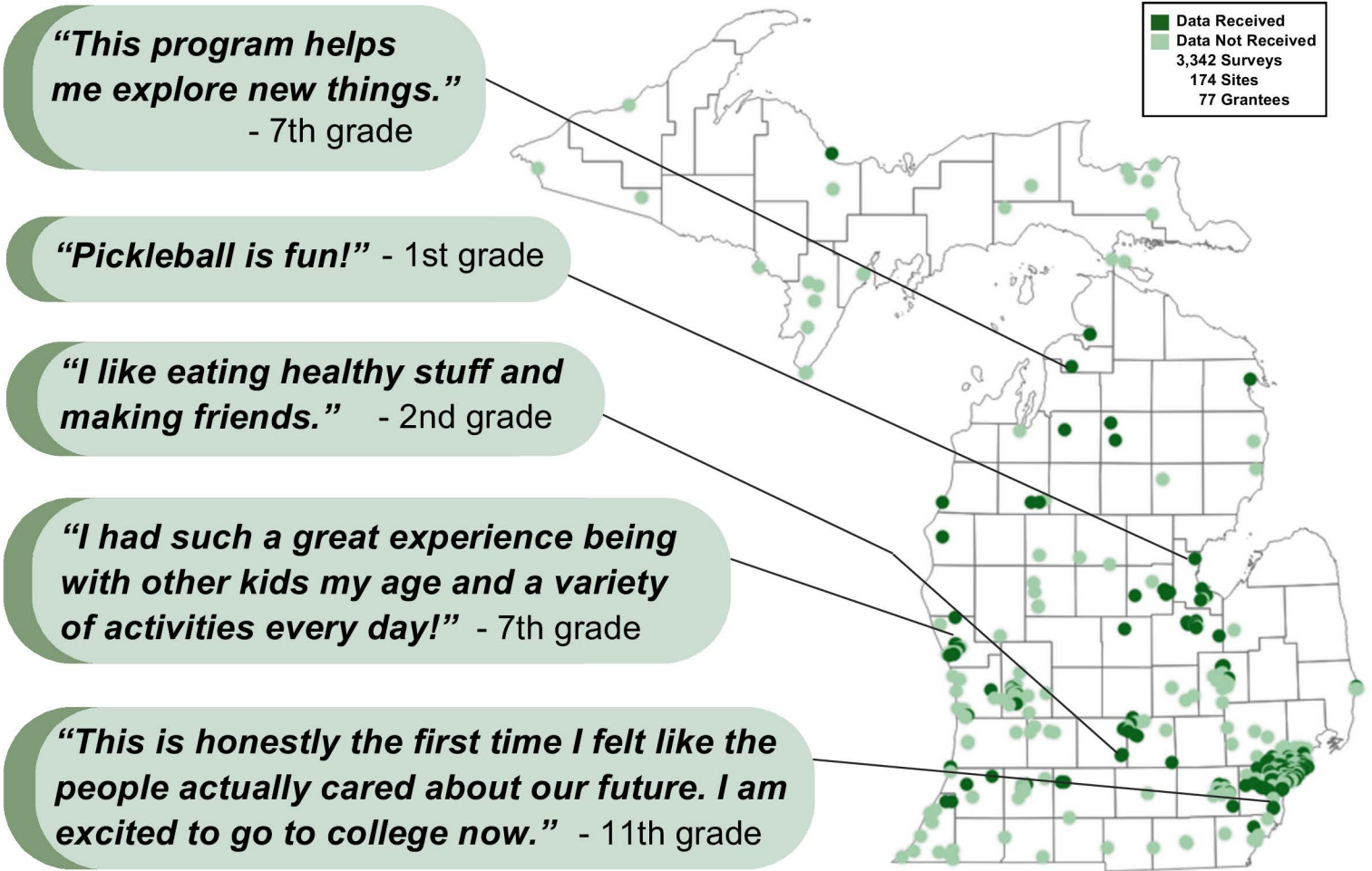
Sports	57%
Art	46%
Reading	42%
Math	38%
Leadership & SEL	37%
Science	32%
Music	30%
Technology	30%
HW & Tutoring	23%
Engineering	18%

Most respondents attended regularly, as shown in Figure 5.

Figure 5. Frequency of Youth Attendance

Almost every day	68%
2 - 3 times a week	23%
About once a week	4%
Once every 2 weeks	2%
About once a month	3%

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The survey feedback was overwhelming positive as shown in Figure 6 below. Programs facilitated growth mindset, positive climate, school connection, healthy eating and active living. However, negative climate was experienced by 20% of respondents.

Figure 6. % of Youth Agreed or Strongly Agreed with 32n Programs Providing the Following Experiences:

