## Northwest Mental Health Playbook Overview

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What is Mental Health at Northwest?



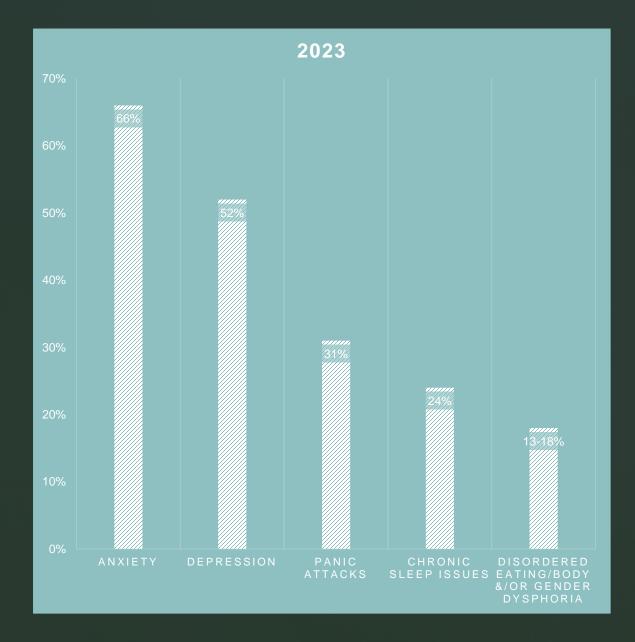
## Missouri Assessment of College Health Behaviors (MACHB)

- Coalition of Missouri public and private colleges administer this survey to college students
- Data focus:
  - Substance abuse/use
  - Mental health issues
  - Personal Violence

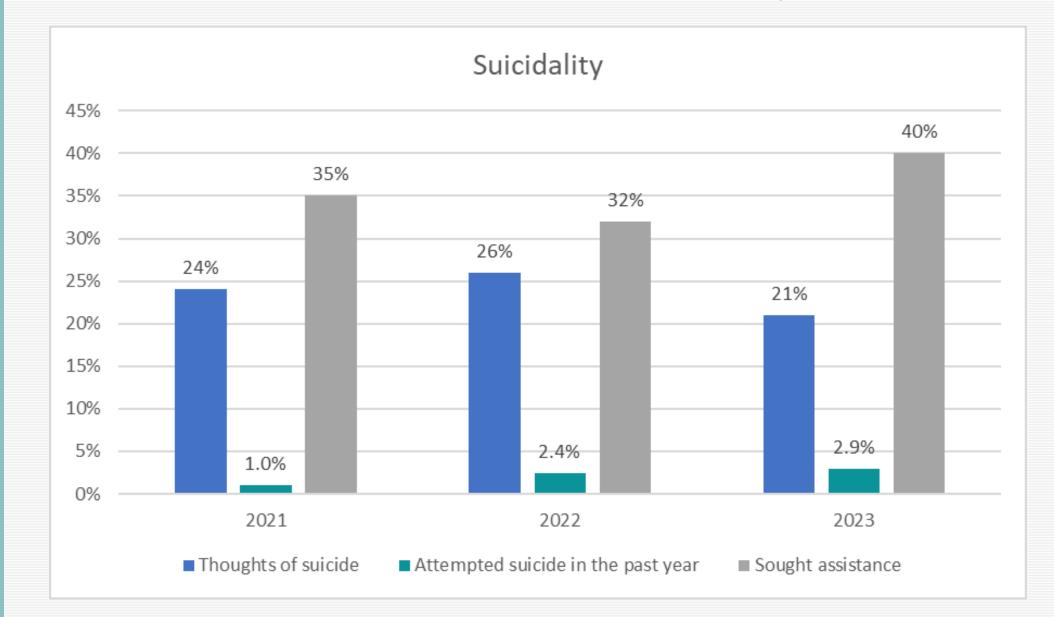


# Northwest MACHB

Mental Health distress reported by Northwest students



## **Northwest MACHB Suicidality Data**



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# 4 Keys to Wellbeing

## **Social Connection**

### Compassion & Stress Reduction

Belonging & Growth Mindset

Gratitude & Purpose

## How it works

#### **Each Section**

- Course Design
- Syllabus
- Adaptations for larger classes
- First Weeks
- Throughout the Semester

#### **Additional resources**

Ways to practice mindfulness in the classroom Supporting students in distress Dos and don'ts of communicating with students NORTHWEST MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY MENTAL HEALTH PLAYBOOK

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# Ways to show compassion & support a sense of belonging

- Consider students' perspective
- Utilize positive language
- Implement deadlines that support healthy work-life balance
- Articulate your commitment to supporting student mental health and wellbeing
- Utilize active listening when engaging with students
- Curate advice from past students about what worked in your class to be shared with future classes
- Offer opportunities for students to submit corrections on homework, exams, etc.

## Supporting Students in Distress: Warning Signs

- Sudden increase or decrease in weight
- Lack of energy
- Falling asleep in class
- Frequent illness

Physical

- Irritability
- Emotional outburst
- Apathy/hopelessness
- Work expressing despair

or rage

Changes in concentration/motivation

#### **Cognitive & Emotional**

- Poor hygiene
- Withdrawal from interactions
- Disjointed/ incoherent speech
- Procrastination

#### Behavioral

- Large changes in academic performance
- Increased tardiness
- Missed assignments
- Repeated requests for special consideration

#### Academic

#### **OVERALL COURSE EVALUATION**

GOALS CLEARLY COMMUNICATED: 4.4 avg GOALS & OBJECTIVES ACHIEVED:

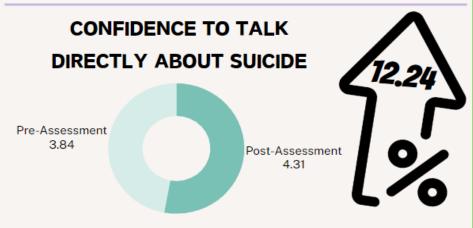
4.37 avg

\*5 point scale (1-Strongly Disagree to 5 Strongly Agree)

#### WOULD YOU RECOMMEND THIS TRAINING?

4.35 avg

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C - CREATE AWARENESS A - ASK QUESTIONS L - LEARN RESOURCES M - MANAGE YOUR WELLNESS

## Meet the Team



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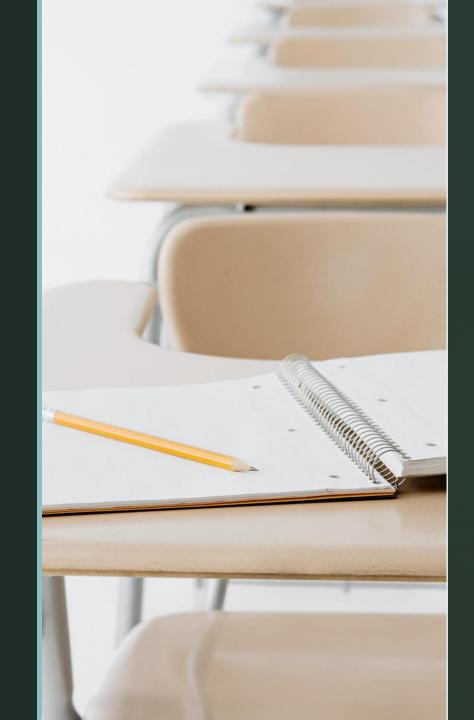
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## Don't Cancel that Class