

What do you care about in Carrboro?

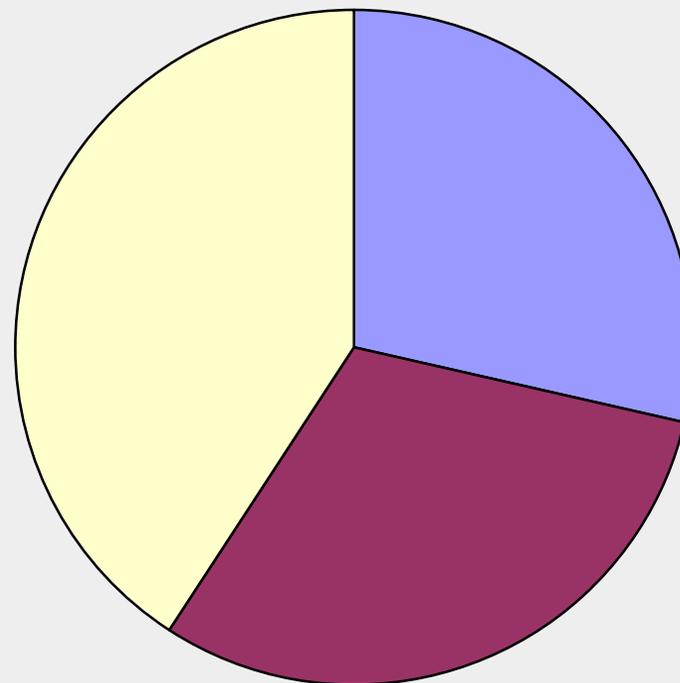
An unscientific survey for young people age 6 – 18 who live, work, go to school, visit, hang out in or otherwise love Carrboro!

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About the Survey

- Distributed via e-mail, social media, word of mouth, website, and in-person at El Centro Latino
- An average 49 responses per question
- Some questions allowed for multiple responses
- Respondents were not asked for any personal information, except for age. Race, gender and ethnicity is not known (except for one young person who responded in Spanish.)
- Does not necessarily represent a fair sample of the Town's demographics, although age distribution is fairly even.

How Old Are You?

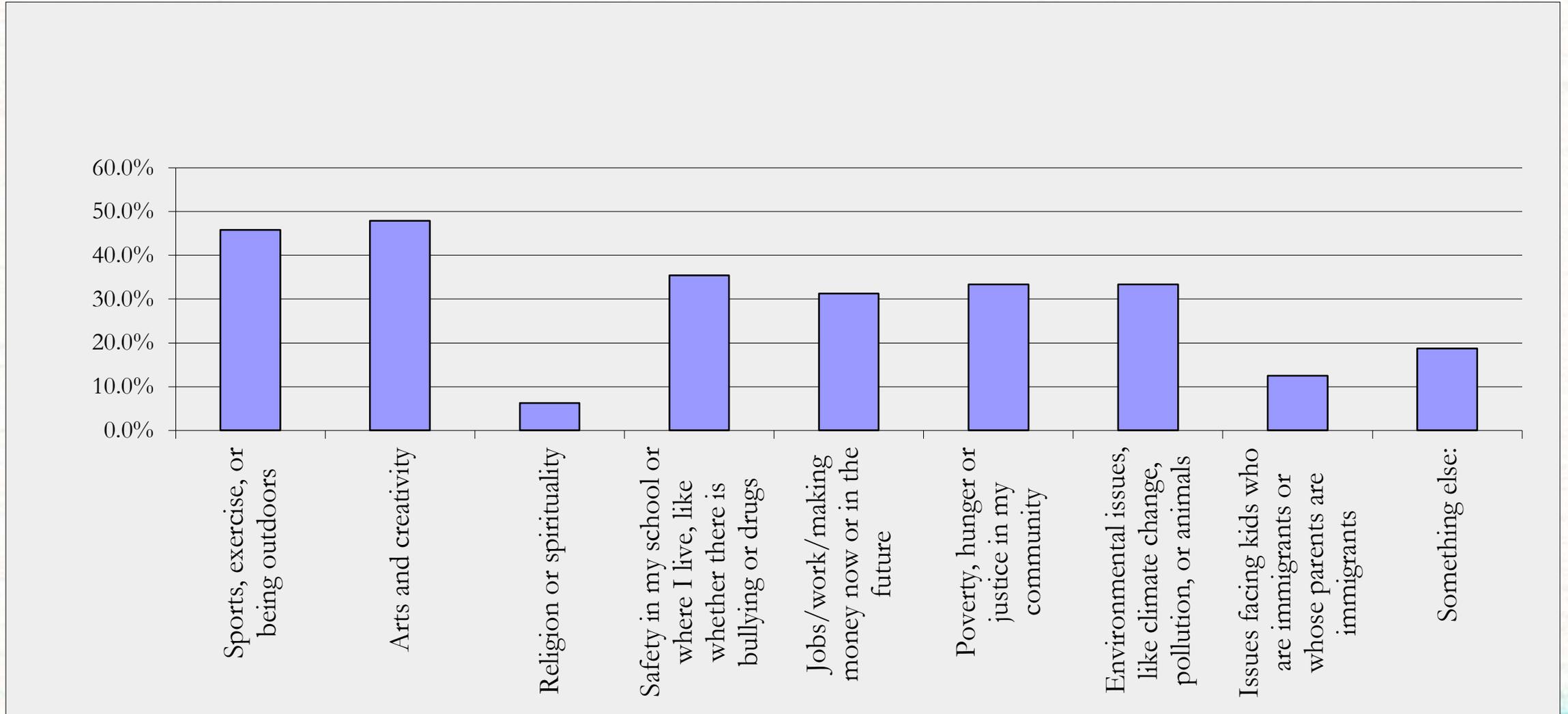


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■ 11 - 14

■ 15 - 18

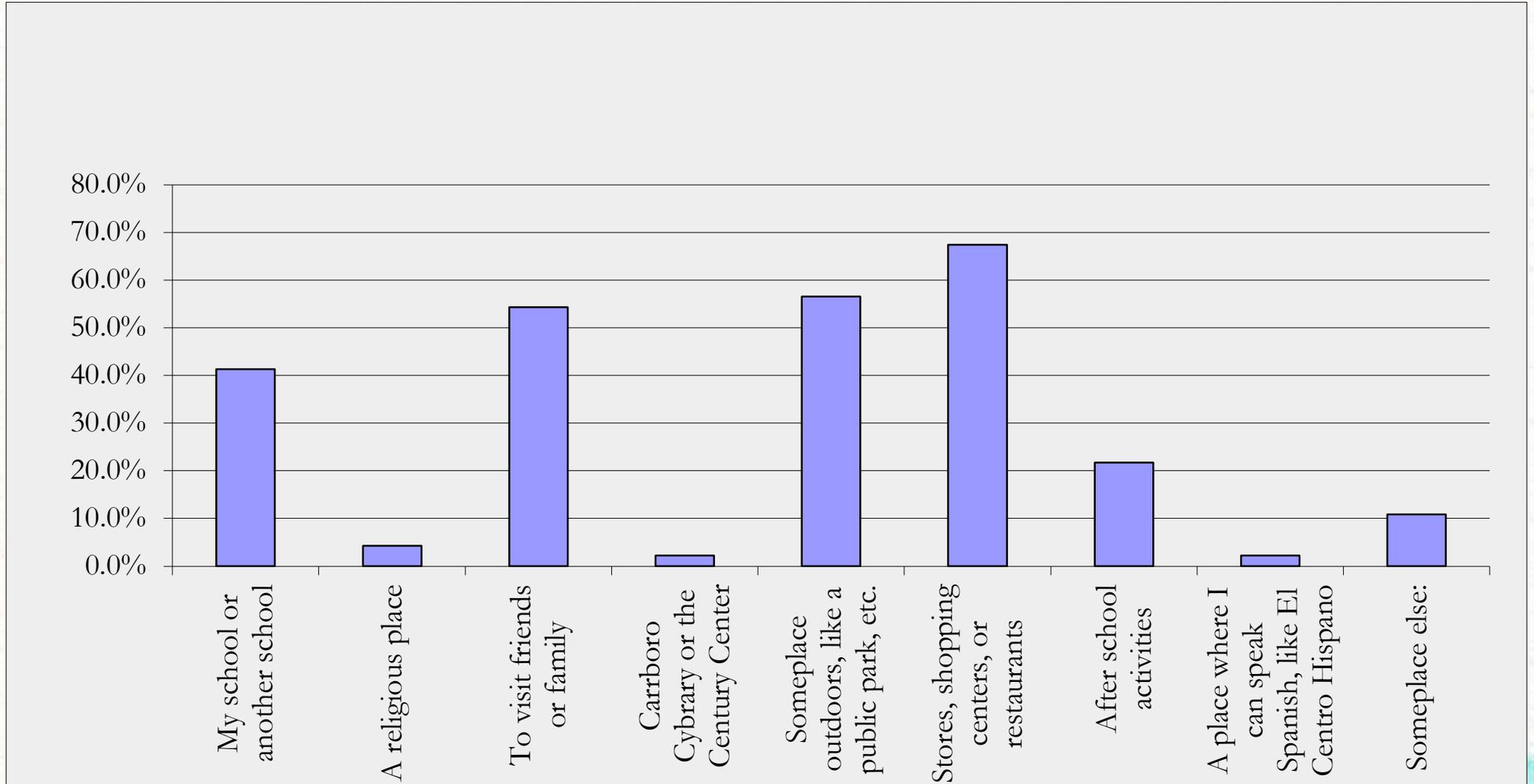
Which of the following do you care about the most? You may choose up to three answers.



Responses to “Something Else”

- Fun
- Care about the people
- Friends
- Cats
- Books
- Equality
- Having fun with teenagers in town
- Watching TV commercials
- Technical theater

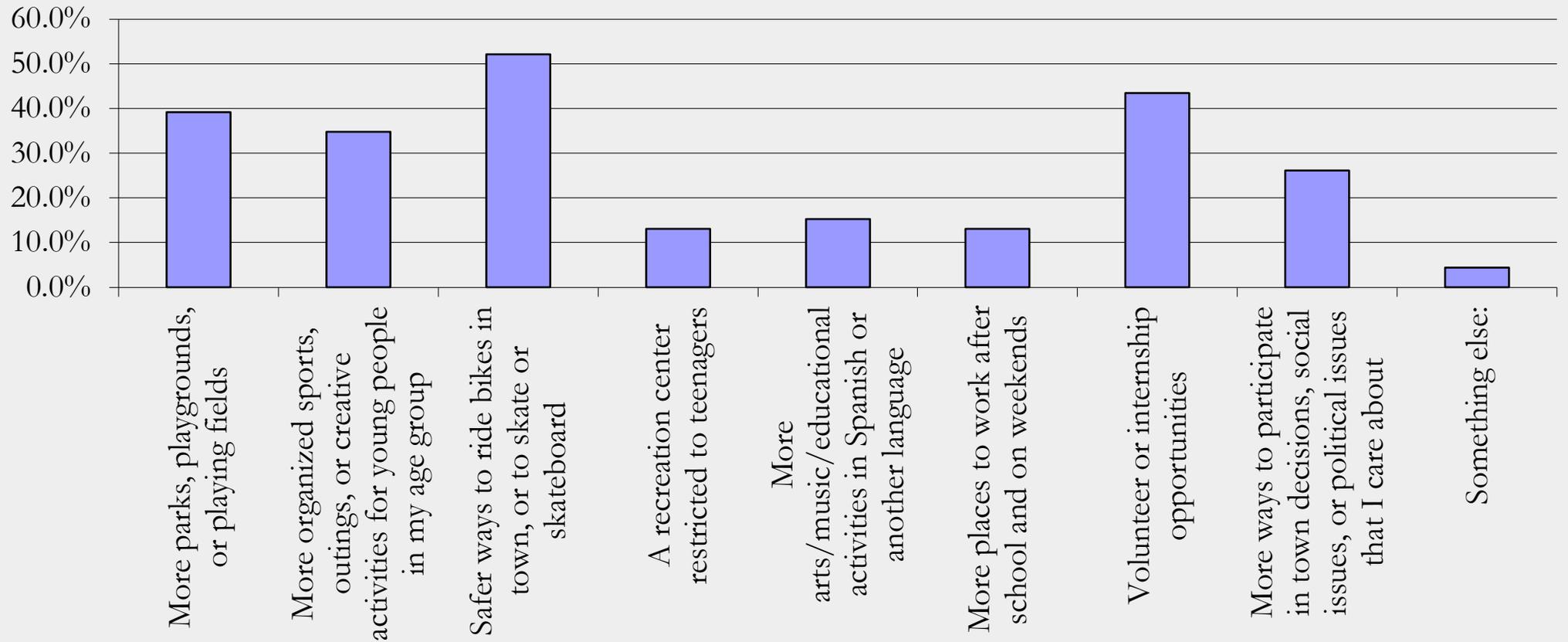
Where do you go most when you are in Carrboro? You may choose up to three answers.



Responses to “Someplace Else”

- Weaver Street Market (2)
- Around and in my house
- Franklin Street
- City dump

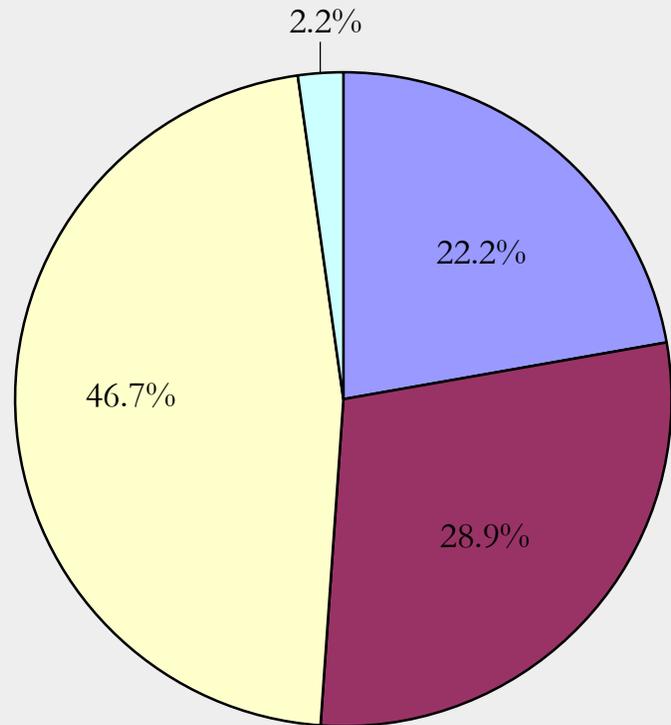
Is there something that would make Carrboro a better place for young people like you? You may choose up to three answers.



Responses to “Something Else”

- More places to hang out with friends in Downtown Carrboro
- More concrete

Other than the adults in your home, how do you think adults treat young people your age? Please choose the best answer for you.

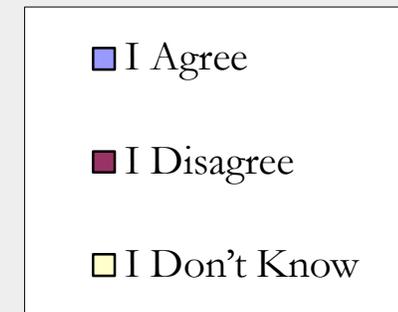
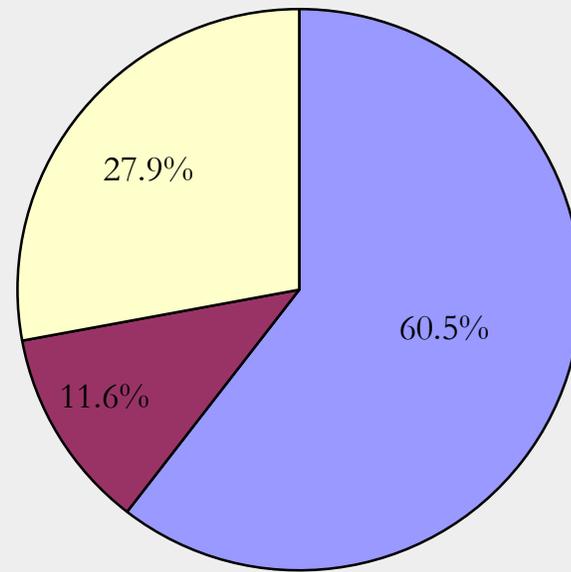


- I don't really notice how other adults treat young people.
- Adults love people my age and try to include us in community life
- I think adults care about us, but they don't pay enough attention to include us in community life
- I feel excluded by the adults in the community.

Comments

- Depending on who I talk to, I feel that some adults do not understand that teenagers can be responsible citizens and members of a community. However, most adults are willing to listen to teens if they are respectful and looking to learn.
- I don't always feel that my opinions are given the same respect by adults that they give to the opinions of other adults.
- They feel like we are only on our phone or computer
- I am not sure if this is for all teenagers, because I have grown up with many adults in my neighborhood and I am friends with many of my parents friends, which I don't think is the case for a lot of people my age.
- I think that adults tend to bypass us. We matter and have important opinions that people should listen to.
- Some adults totally ignore this age group, but some include us.
- Adults seem to care about us, but assume instantly that we have done something wrong, such as talked in class, when it was another child.

Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?
Adults treat young people differently depending on their age,
gender, race, or the language they speak.



Comments

- Adults treat young people differently according to our age, but I haven't noticed it by gender or race or language
- Age.
- Occasionally they do.
- There is always exceptions, but I think subconsciously many adults do so.
- I mainly agree, but I don't think that this is true for all.
- Solo a veces (Only sometimes)

Do you have any other suggestions on how Carrboro could be a better place for young people?

- More recreational fun things to do at night.
- Easy ways to bike to parks like Hank Anderson Park.
- Doing a better job at including everybody instead of judging others.
- More toy stores besides ali cat.
- Easier to bike or walk from the schools.
- Biggest suggestion: if you want teens to come to an event, don't put the word 'teen' in the event's title. It makes us feel patronized to go to a 'teen' event sponsored by adults.

How Carrboro could be a better place for young people, Part 2...

- Host a town wide capture the flag game! :)
- More parks, a pool and a library within walking distance of my house.
- Parks, schools
- The best way to contact and affect young people is probably through schools because that is where we spend most of our time. Making school more enjoyable would make life better for lots of young people.
- More opportunities for us to get involved in the community.
- More hula hooping on Weaver Street.

How Carrboro could be a better place for young people, Part 3...

- Mas clinicas pera jovenes que usan las drogas (More clinics for people who use drugs.)
- It's pretty great for young people.
- Reform the police force. It's racist as h*ll (Editor's edits)
- It's pretty great for young people.
- More cats
- I would like there to be more lighted basketball courts. I would like there to be more places for kids to hangout.