

Cancer Happens® Teen Education

FAQ from Teachers

Q. What is the best way to implement the Cancer Happens® program at my school?

A. There are two main formats to present our program to your students: in-person presentation or eLearning modules. As a result of COVID-19, we will also be offering a live webinar with our trained health educators to either present the course live and/or offer a brief discussion and Q&A with your students. All of our materials are available in our online platform, registration is required at no cost.

Q. What age-group is the content appropriate?

A. Our curriculum targets middle and high school students in grades 6-12th. We have a general presentation we use for all ages and grade-level specific lesson plans. Our content is also available to community organizations whose target population is teens.

Q. Is there a cost to use this program?

A. Cancer Pathways mission is to ensure that our critical cancer education program is available to all schools at no cost. Our Cancer Happens® teen education program is currently funded by local, regional, and state grants, as well as fundraising efforts.

Q. Does the content align with standards?

A. Yes. Most of our content aligns with the National Health Education Standards (NHES). We also align with some components of other disciplines, such as Health Sciences, Science, ELA, Family and Consumer Science, and CTE.

Q. How do I gain access to the online database?

A. Easy! You can register [here](#) online or email our program manager, Jana Mastrogiovanni, jana@cancerpathways.org. A few materials are available on our website, but to access our complete online database, you will need to register for an account, at no cost.

Q. What are other teachers and student saying about the program?

A. We currently have a 95% retention rate of schools. This means that almost all of our schools continue to participate in our program year after year. Teachers and students who have participated know how effective our program is in educating, engaging, and empowering teen choices.

Q. How many schools have used the Cancer Happens® program?

A. Cancer Happens® started presenting at schools in 2005 in Washington State. Since then, we have evolved into a much more comprehensive cancer education program and expanded into multiple states. To date, we have seen over 109,000 students.

Q. Is there any teacher training opportunity?

A. Yes. We offer live and recorded webinars that will guide users through our online program and materials. We are also available to present at school workshops, conferences, and meetings for school staff.