

TEEN SUICIDE PREVENTION PROJECT STAKEHOLDER EVALUATIONS

Consolidated Infographic (February - March 2025)



GAUTENG PROVINCE
EDUCATION
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

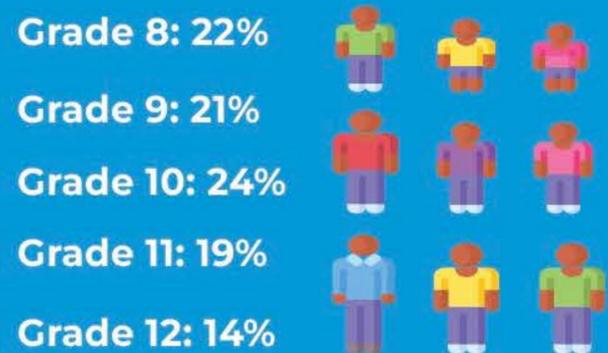


LEARNERS (n=20 521)

Gender
Female: 55%
Male: 42%
Non-specific: 3%

Age Range:
12-25
years of age

Grade distribution



TEACHER/EDUCATOR (n=451)

Gender
Female: 70%
Male: 29%
Non-specific: 1%

Age Range:
21-68
years of age

Qualifications

>Matric: 1%
Matric Certificate: 3%
Post-Matric Diploma: 8%
Post-Matric Degree: 73%
Higher Certificate / Diploma: 5%
Postgraduate Degree: 10%

Total Experience

6135 Years of teaching experience

LANGUAGE LANDSCAPE: LITERACY MATCHING

LEARNER LANGUAGES

isiZulu (33%)
SeSotho (14%)
isiXhosa (13%)
Sepedi (10%)
English (10%)
Setswana (9%)
XiTsonga (4%)
Tshivenda (3%)
Afrikaans (2%)
isiNdebele (1%)
siSwati (1%)
SA Sign Language (>1%)
Shona (>1%)

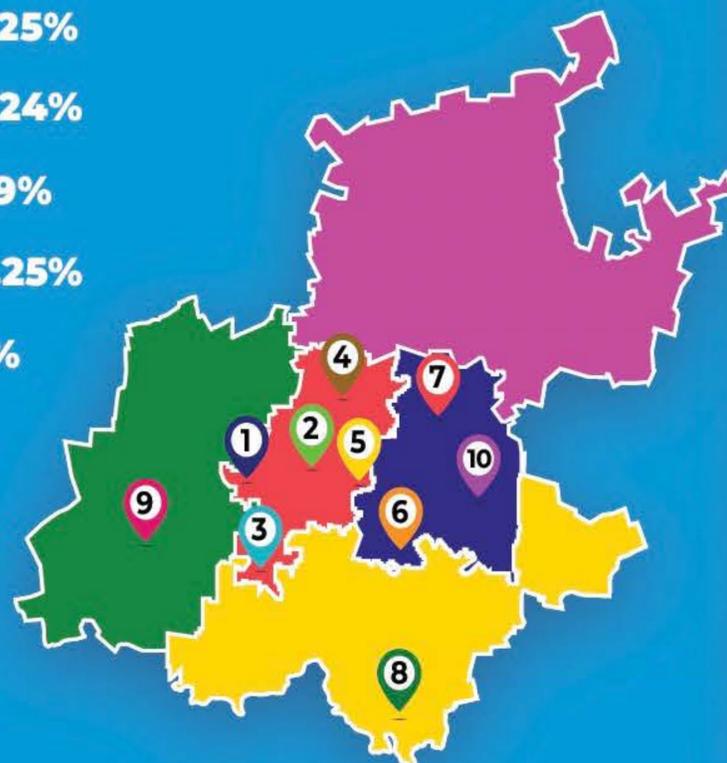
SCOUT LANGUAGES

1 English (31%)
2 isiZulu (18%)
3 SeSotho (12%)
4 Sepedi (10%)
5 Setswana (7%)
6 isiXhosa (5%)
7 siSwati (4%)
8 XiTsonga (4%)
9 Afrikaans (4%)
10 Tshivenda (2%)
11 isiNdebele (1%)
12 SA Sign Language (1%)
13 Shona (1%)



DISTRICTS: 10 GAUTENG SCHOOL DISTRICTS VISITED

- 1 Johannesburg West: 4.25%
- 2 Johannesburg Central: 24%
- 3 Johannesburg South: 19%
- 4 Johannesburg North: 4.25%
- 5 Johannesburg East: 10%
- 6 Ekurhuleni South: 10%
- 7 Ekurhuleni North: 10%
- 8 Sedibeng East: 4.25%
- 9 Gauteng West: 10%
- 10 Gauteng East: 4.25%



WHAT ARE THE TOP 6 MAIN CHALLENGES?

LEARNERS		EDUCATORS	
Academic Pressure	52%	Learners with Learning Difficulties:	51%
Financial Problems	34%	Financial Problems	50%
Feelings	34%	Learners who Abuse Substances:	43%
Losing a Loved One (Grief)	32%	Learners who Bully other Learners:	35%
Family Problems	29%	Family Problems (Personal):	27%
Romantic Relationship Problems	13%	Learners with Poor Mental Health:	26%

WHAT DO WE KNOW ABOUT THE DEGREE OF RISK?

- 76%** of educators reported that learners talked to them about their (learner) concerns/worries
- 51%** of educators reported that learners had talked to them about their (learner) mental health
- 56%** of educators reported that learners at their school had tried to take their own lives in 2024
- 57%** of educators reported that learners at their school had died by suicide in 2024



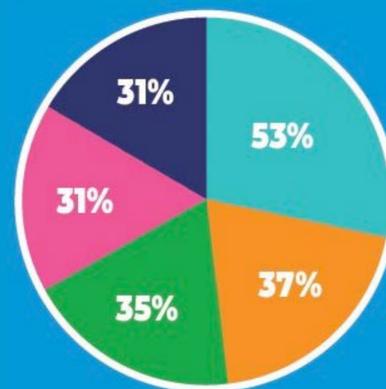
EDUCATOR GAINS	EDUCATORS
Learnt where to get help for teens experiencing a mental health crisis	99%
Felt they would be more effective in their teaching role	98%
Learnt the contents of a Suicide Safety Plan	97%
Learnt about counselling	97%
Felt able to identify the signs of depression amongst youths as a result of the talk/workshop	97%
Learnt about trauma	93%
Learnt how to help teens in crisis (skills)	92%

LEARNER GAINS



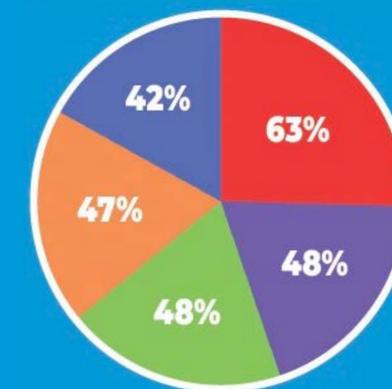
- The SADAG team was kind **95%**
- The SADAG speaker was easy to understand **93%**
- I learnt that it is not good to judge mentally ill people **93%**
- I learnt about what causes depression today **93%**
- I learnt where to get help if I struggle with my mental health **92%**
- If anyone I know needs help, I will tell them to call SADAG **92%**
- I found the talk helpful today **91%**
- I learnt the signs (symptoms) of depression during the talk today **91%**
- I learnt that depression is an illness **88%**
- I want the SADAG team to come back and talk to my class again **87%**
- I learnt how to calm myself down today **85%**
- If I ever feel very sad, I will call the SADAG team for help **83%**
- I learnt how to talk to a depressed person today **83%**
- I learnt that it is 'ok to not be ok' **77%**

WHAT MORE CAN SADAG TALK ABOUT: TOP 5 REQUESTED FUTURE TOPICS



Learners:

- School Stress
- Trauma
- Anxiety
- Bullying
- Teen Pregnancy



Educators

- Work Stress
- Learner Substance Abuse
- Learner Anxiety
- Learner Bullying
- Learner Grief

RECALLING THE SADAG SUICIDE CRISIS HELPLINE NUMBER

Learners:

94% of learners were able to accurately recall the SADAG Suicide Crisis Helpline Number

Educators/Teachers:

88% of teachers/educators were able to accurately recall the SADAG Suicide Crisis Helpline Number

