MISSISSIPPI IN 2014

Of Mississippi high school students...

48%

say they have had sex.1

18%

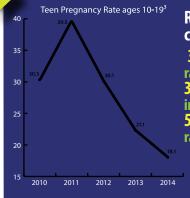
did not use any method to prevent pregnancy.1

44%

83% did not use were never condoms.1 tested for HIV.1

Ranks 3rd in the nation

JASPER COUNTY IN 2014



Rank among 82 counties in Mississippi:

31st in Chlamydia infection **30th** in Gonorrhea infection rates5 58th in HIV rates⁶

ENGAGE IN THE PROCESS

in teen birth rate.2

THE LAW: HB494

Requires sex education in MS public schools. Each school district must adopt an "abstinence-only" or "abstinence-plus" policy as well as a curriculum approved by the MS Department of Education.

THE EVIDENCE:7

Evidence-based, "abstinence-plus" curricula meet the needs of ALL students and are shown to:

- Delay sexual activity
- Reduce # of partners
- Reduce frequency of sex
 - Increase proper use of contraceptives

Adopt CHART Policy



Sign Memorandum of **Understanding with MS State Department of Health**



Train Teachers on Sex Education Curricula



Conduct Implementation and Evaluation

For more information, go to teenhealthms.org or contact **Josh McCawlev** at josh@mississippifirst.org.



Creating Healthy and Responsible Teens

REDUCING TEEN

BIRTH AND STI/HIV

in Jasper County

CHART, an "abstinence-

plus" initiative, HAS **BEEN ADOPTED IN**

22 COUNTIES

statewide.

WHAT IS CHART?

- Abstinence-plus sex education
- Evidence-based, age-appropriate, and medically accurate
- A partnership with the Mississippi State Department of Health approved by Mississippi Department of Education provides free training and technical assistance
 - FREE to school districts

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