

Of Mississippi high school students...

18%
did not use
any method
to prevent
pregnancy.¹

83%
were never
tested for
HIV.¹

**Ranks 3rd in the nation
in teen birth rate.²**

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 McCawley** at **josh@mississippifirst.org**.

CHART,
an "abstinence-
plus" initiative, **HAS**
BEEN ADOPTED IN
22 COUNTIES
statewide.



REDUCING TEEN BIRTH AND STI/HIV in Winston County



CHART
Creating Healthy and Responsible Teens

Year	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 10-19)
2010	24.4
2011	25.5
2012	24.2
2013	18.9
2014	14.5

Rank among 82 counties in Mississippi:
73rd in teen pregnancy rates ages 15-19³
47th in Chlamydia infection rates⁴
36th in Gonorrhea infection rates⁵

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.

**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

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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