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### What is Resilience?

Resilience can be defined as the ability to 'bounce back' and cope with the adversity of life. By supporting our young people to build their strengths we are in turn helping to build their resilience and ensure they have the ability to bounce back and cope with the challenges of life.



### What is the Resilience Survey

Knox City Council, with support from the Victorian Department of Education and Training, have been working with Resilient Youth and our local schools since 2014 to undertake a survey of local students. The Resilience Survey provides schools, and Council, with an indication of the levels of resilience amongst our students in year 4 – year 12.

# Number of students that participated in the survey

510 Year 8 students participated



### **Snapshot of resilience**





## Overall picture for Knox

The peak levels of resilience for students in Knox is during the primary school years. Over the course of their schooling, the majority of students in year 4 – year 7 experience high levels of resilience, this begins to decline during the Secondary school years.

If you could magically do anything simply at the snap of your fingers, what is one thing that you would do to support the wellbeing of young people?

"Make sure that parents keep up to date with their kids devices"



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### **Knox Youth Resilience**

Profile 2018 Year 8

**78%** 

Have empathy, sensitivity and friendship skills



80%

Are eager to achieve at school



80%

Feel they have a safe neighbourhood



93%

Value diversity in our community



**Key strengths** of our students



88%

Feel that they are trustworthy



Eat well to stay well



Are engaged in the learning process at school



Have at least two groups of friends

88%

Think that it is important to help other people

89%

Feel their parents try to help them succeed

### **Areas for improvement**



46%

Struggle to come up with solutions when they face a problem



30%

Feel under constant strain



**57%** 

Don't feel that they are helping to make the community a better place



62%

Text between 10pm and 6am

If you could magically do anything simply at the snap of your fingers, what is one thing that you would do to support the wellbeing of young people?

"Educate people on how some people have no gender, are intersex, are pansexual, every LGBTQAI+ thing people need to be educated about. Also, I would love to eradicate homophobia and transphobia."







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