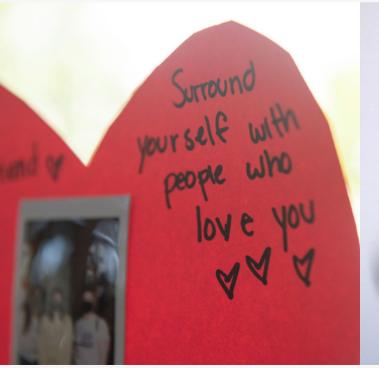


## National Impact Report

Spring 2022











### Region Overview





420 BC2M Clubs across the USA



Present in 25 states

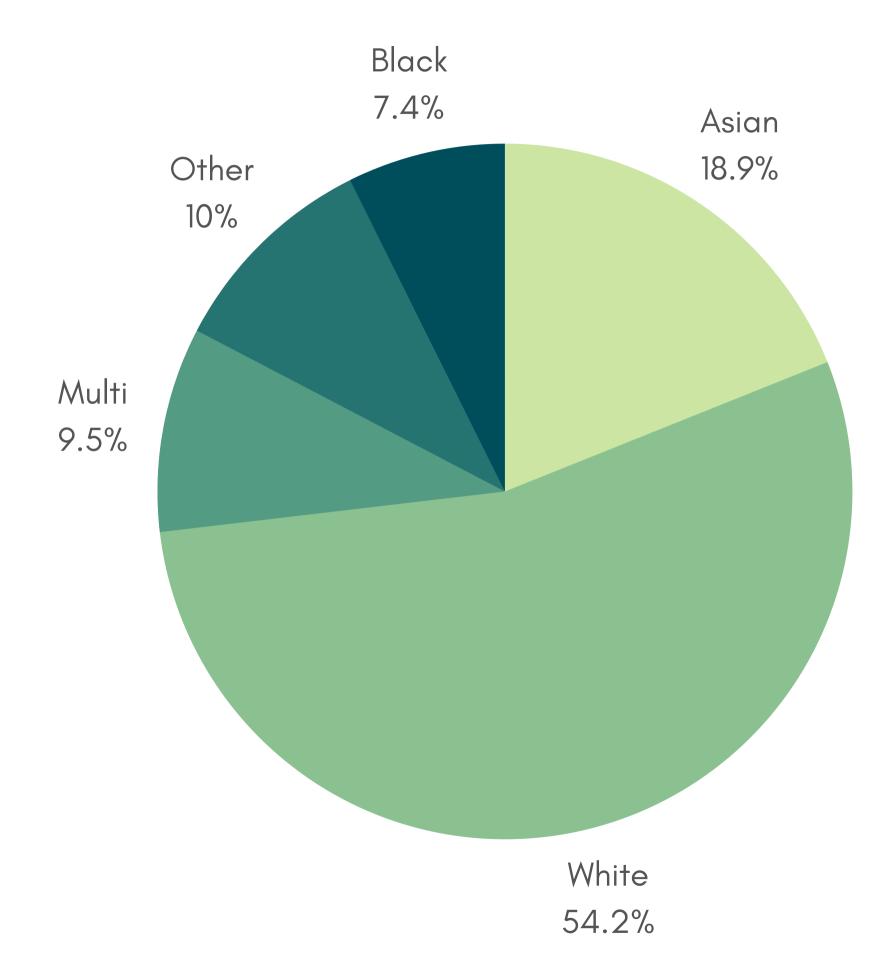
The following data is reported from school year 2021 - 2022 from BC2M Club members.



# BC2M Student Demographics

## Racial and Ethnic Identity





25.7%

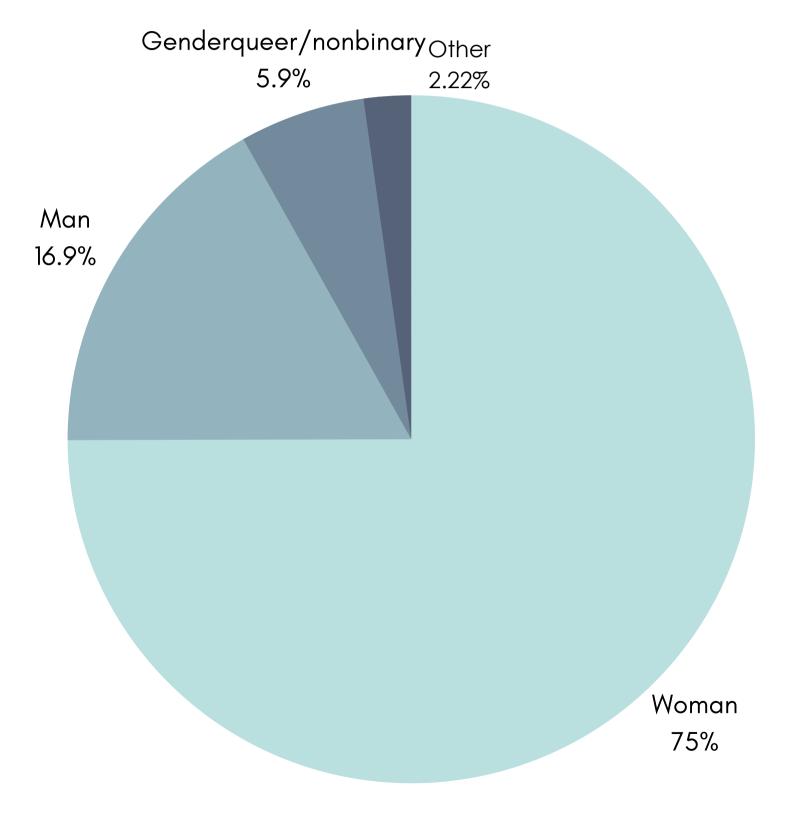
of BC2M registered members identify as being hispanic, latino or of Spanish origin

## Gender Identity & Sexuality



31%

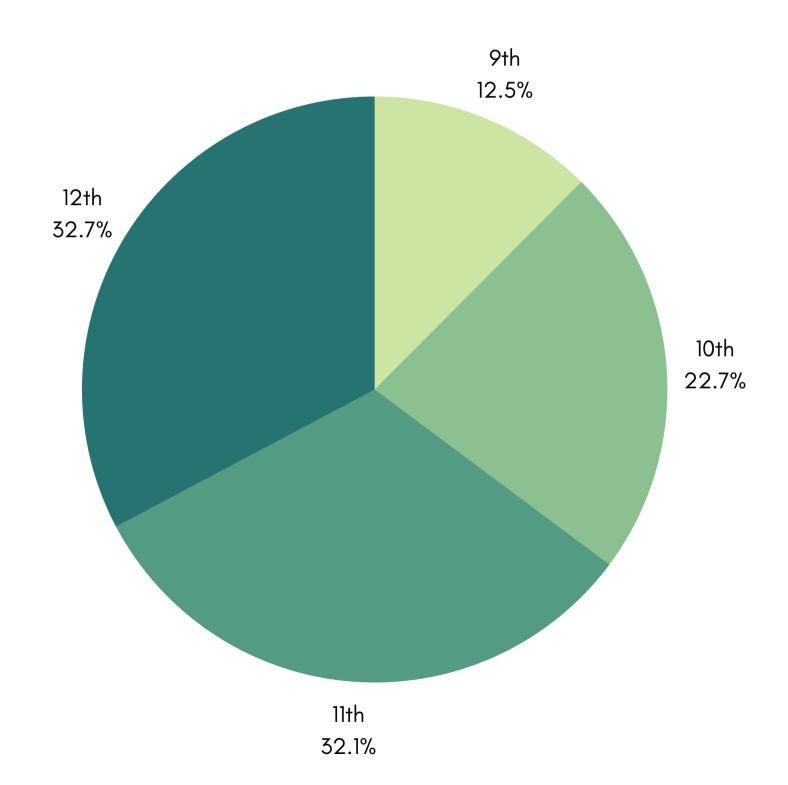
of registered members identify as being part of the LGBTQIA+ community

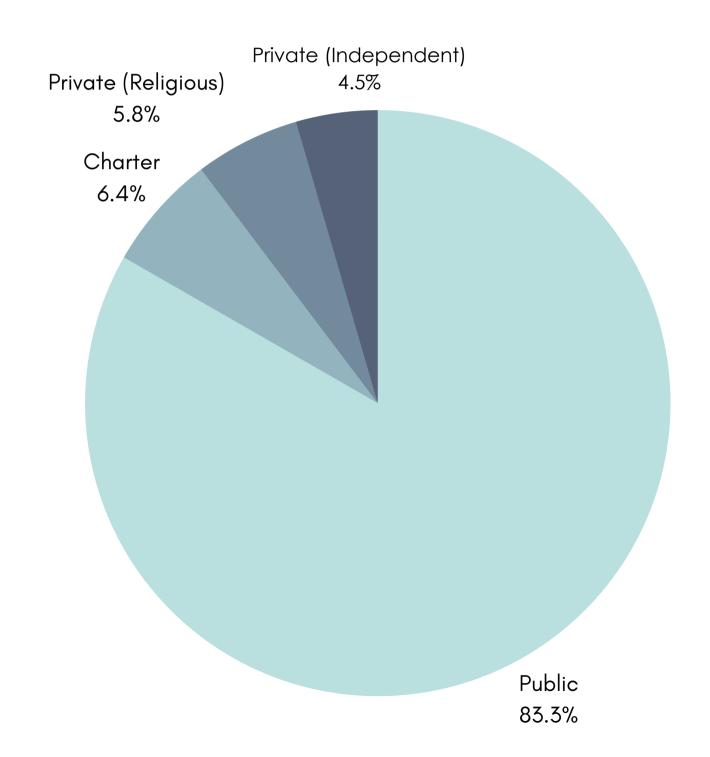


# Grade Breakdown of BC2M Members

## School Type

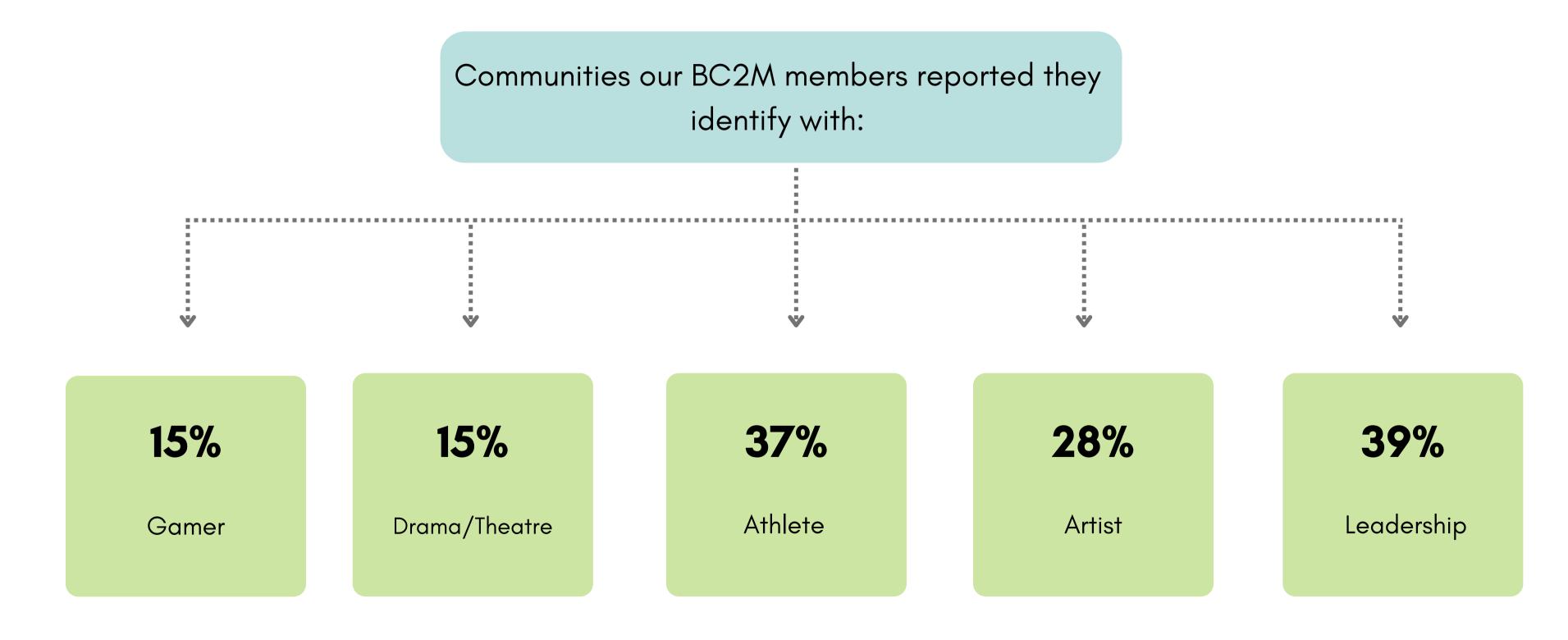






### Club Member Identities





### BC2M Impact Surveys



Each year, BC2M collects data points from every club across the US, 400 high school in 2022, to assess the needs of it's members, the tangible impacts on stigma reduction and willingness to seek help. By gathering comprehensive insight from participants, BC2M is able to create regional profiles that are used to individualize the presentations, activities and community partners that are most beneficial to members from each location.

Each question within the General Members Survey and those used for the Student Leadership focus groups are designed to provide insights into one of the following impat categories:

- Normalizing Mental Health Challenges
- Promoting Help-Seeking Behaviors
- Generating Improved Outcomes for Historically Underserved Communities
- Increasing Community Connectedness
- Creating the Next Generation of Advocates & Professionals



### Impact Results - Background



#### As a result of:

- Weekly or Bi-Weekly Club meetings;
- Support from their California Regional Manager;
- School-wide BC2M events, activities, and presentations;
- Collaboration with local stakeholders and mental health advocates; and
- Leadership training opportunities; and
- Local networking meetups

#### Our Spring 2022 Surveys showed the following results







### Normalizing Mental Health Challenges



of students report
they talk more
about Mental
Health because
of BC2M

of students have talked to their parent/guardian about BC2M & stigma

said the club had a positive impact on empathy & understanding within the general student body

said the club helped lead to increased mental health conversations among the general student body



## Promoting Help-Seeking Behaviors

a higher likelihood that a student would reach out to a

struggling friend.



75.2%	of respondents said participation in BC2M helped them take better care of their own mental health.
86.4%	said club participation helped them advocate for friends and family to take better care of their mental health.
87%	of BC2M members could identify mental health resources at school if they needed support.
40.8%	said that the club's activities and campaigns have led to

# Generating Improved Outcomes for Historically Underserved Communities



### **Our Community**

55% OF BC2M CLUBS

have student populations where at least half of the students enrolled are BIPOC 56% OF BC2M CLUBS

are in schools eligible for Title One funding

#### **Our Resources**

65% OF RESPONDENTS

52%
OF RESPONDENTS

believe BC2M's resources and platform address diverse populations

believe BC2M's resources and platform address cultural and/or first gen challenges

# Increasing Community Connectedness



83%

of members feel more CONNECTED to peers and trusted adults because of the club

78%

of members report that empathy and understanding have increased among STAFF because of the club

86%

of members say that empathy and understanding have increased among STUDENTS because of the club

38%

of respondents rate their feeling of connection towards other clubs across the country as good or great







# Creating the Next Generation of Advocates & Professionals



67.8%

of graduating senior respondents reported their participation in BC2M improved their <u>Leadership</u> & Advocacy skills.

79.8%

of respondents report being inspired to be a mental health advocate beyond high school.

# Looking Ahead: 'What is Your Message?''



Thousands of High School students across the US are actively supporting the mission of BC2M; to reduce stigma, normalize mental health and bring peer empathy and understanding to every high school. However, the reason behind this for each teen advocate is unique to them It may be because of their own personal experience with mental illness, that of a friend or family member or because they see the needs of so many students within their community. To gain insights into these driving forces, we ask our members this year, What is Your Message?

This theme will be the thread throughout all of BC2M's events this year, including our Regional Student Summits. This gathering will open with a keynote speaker, a Q&A session, and move into breakout sessions for different tracts that the students chose from:

- Creating Change with Your Message.
- Creating Change with Your Club's Message
- Creating Change post-High School

Students will then participate in an interactive activity fair that will provide them with a trove of ideas for school-wide, mental health awareness events. Attendees will also be gifted with BC2M goodies, wellness items, and snacks.



It's great to see teenagers being open and vulnerable during a difficult time. This platform is helping and allowing them to get their frustrations out; they can talk to other students and feel connected to them.

- Club Advisor

The best club on Dobson HS Campus no cap

- 11th Grade Member

What our members and advisors have said

I'm extremely grateful to have this resource at our school.

- 12th Grade Member

I have enjoyed being able to engage in productive conversations with like-minded, driven individuals about issues that people can sometimes overlook or feel uncomfortable talking about. I've been able to connect with amazing, incredible people while educating ourselves and hopefully empowering the rest of our community as well.

- 12th Grade Member

BC2M has really put me out there as a new student. I feel very good about my involvement and I've made close friends as a result of the club. It has helped me to settle in and feel safe, especially during the pandemic. I leave with a smile on my face after every BC2M meeting

- 9th Grade Member