

# Unsafe Spaces

## Abuse and Violence in Educational Institutions

**Q. Did you experience any of the following while in an educational institution?**



More than 6 out of every 10 respondents reported experiencing **verbal harassment or teasing**



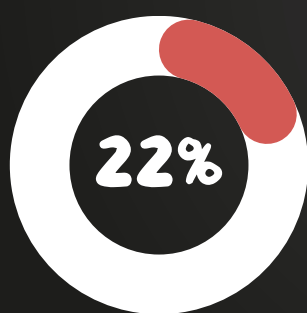
Over half reported being **bullied**



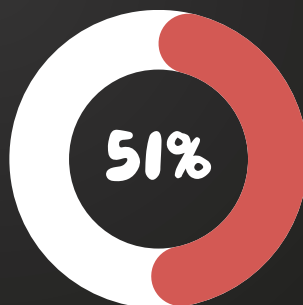
1 in 3 respondents reported being **sexual harassed**

**794** 16 % of respondents were **physically assaulted**

**658** 13 % of respondents were **sexually assaulted**



Nationally, 1 in 5 students aged 12 - 18 reported being bullied at school in 2019.



1 in 2 survey respondents reported being bullied at an educational institution

**Q. Where did this happen?**  
(pick as many as applicable)



**Elementary School** 54%



**Middle School** 68%



**High School** 63%

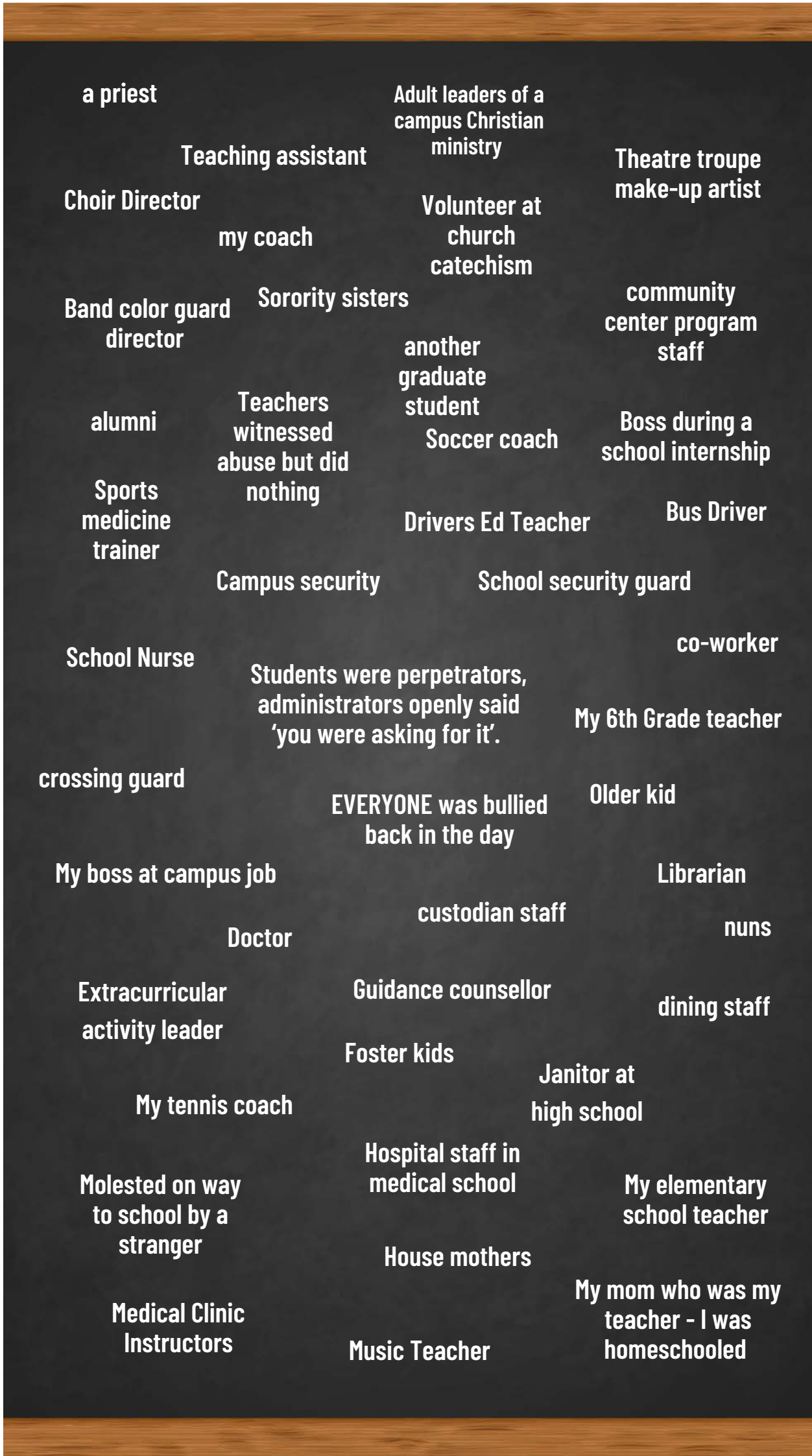
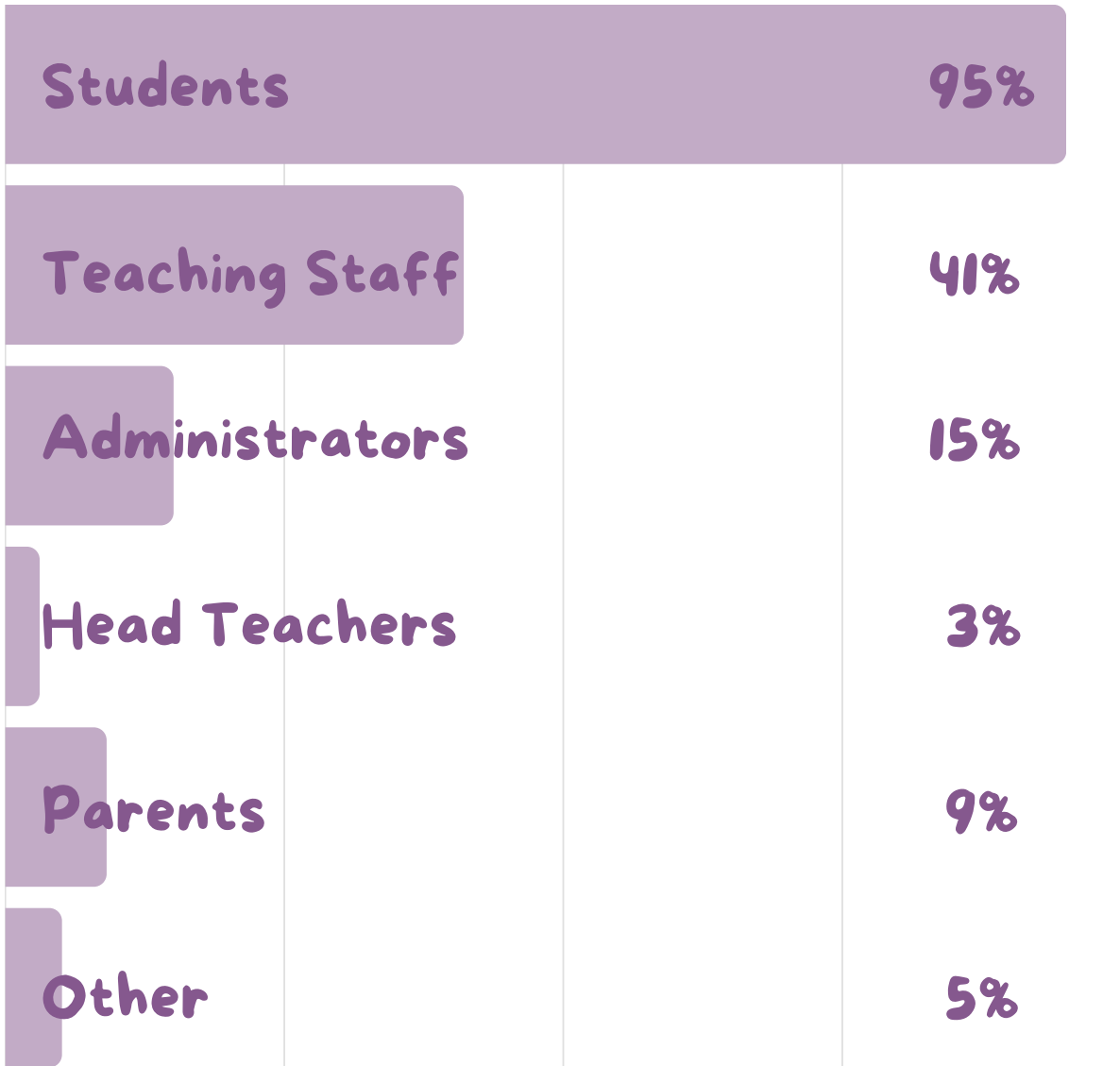


**College** 28%

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# Q. Who did this to you?

(pick as many as applicable)



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# Q. Why do you think you were targeted?

52%

sex  
(being a woman)

28%

sexuality  
(being LGBTQ+)

16%

gender expression  
(non-binary / trans)



14%

race, ethnicity



24%

weight

21%

'another' reason

# examples of 'other' reasons

Neurodiversity may not be something they understood, but they could see it		Because I was a tomboy and good athlete
Being an androgynous, feminist-identified girl who didn't date boys, use makeup, or do other traditionally "feminine" things.		
Because I was "promiscuous"	Being friends with a disabled kid, wearing weird/not cool clothes	
I have very progressive views and grew up in a very conservative place.	Bullied because of my breast size	
Divorce in the family	My height and ethnic ancestry	I was pregnant and unmarried.
Just middle school girls being horrible to each other, I also bullied the same girls at times		
I wasn't an active member of the church	Being a smart, fat, butch is a bad combination	
Being smart, quirky, and insecure	kids are mean	I was shy.
My mother's LGBTQ identity	My autism; my unattractive appearance; lack of athleticism	
Only redhead.	My desire for independence/freedom	
Rapists don't need a reason		
they had unprocessed trauma, and I was a convenient target	My looks, glasses, braces, red hair	
My immigration status	I was often teased by students and teachers in high school for being a feminist	