

# Teen Economic Abuse:

How it impacts student achievement

**Economic abuse** occurs when a partner tries to interfere with and control another's financial resources and economic opportunity. This can impact their education, ability to pursue or maintain a job, and their financial independence.

A 2021 survey of nearly 3,000 13-19 year olds across the U.S. highlighted an often overlooked element of teen dating violence - economic abuse.

## What can this look like?

Being pressured, bullied, or coerced to:

- spend less time studying
- skip class or school
- drop out of school
- quit an extracurricular activity/club
- change post-graduation plans

**68%**

of teens experienced some form of educational interference from their partner

**44%**

less than half think that interfering with a partners' ability to go to school or work is dating violence

**35%**

said that their partner discouraged or put them down for pursuing their career goals

**25%**

of teens experiencing this type of abuse did not think their relationships were abusive

**2/3**

said their partner tried to convince them to skip class or school



**22%**

did because they felt threatened, scared, or bullied by their partner

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