On the average, one in every four elementary schools has a child with cancer. The average high school has two students who are current or former cancer patients.

The incidence of invasive pediatric cancers is up 29% in the past 20 years.

The causes of most childhood cancers are unknown. At present, childhood cancer cannot be prevented.

Childhood cancer occurs regularly, randomly, and spares no ethnic group, socioeconomic class, or geographic region. In the United States, the incidence of cancer among adolescents and young adults is increasing at a greater rate than any other age group, except those over 65 years.