

Abstract

This study explored the relationship among parenting and social abilities of adolescents in Hong Kong. 82 secondary students completed analogous questionnaires regarding their perceived parenting style and the students' social abilities. Findings of the study confirm the importance of the parenting to adolescent.

Adolescents of parents with permissive parenting style demonstrated significantly difference social abilities to those of adolescents of parents with authoritarian parenting style. Findings from this study may offer insights to the influence of parenting upon the promotion of adolescents' social abilities. Implications for research and practice are discussed.