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Title:

The relationship of maternal and paternal behavioral control and psychological control towards Hong Kong early adolescents' perceived academic achievement

Abstract:

This study examined how maternal and paternal behavioral control and psychological control related to early adolescents' perceived academic achievement in Hong Kong. Students (N=69) aged 12 to 15 years old (mean age=13.87) participated in the study. Subjects reported on their perceived maternal and paternal behavioral control, perceived maternal and paternal psychological control as well as perceived academic performance in Chinese, English and Mathematics subjects. Participants' demographic information including gender, family socioeconomic background and parents' educational attainments were also collected. The results showed that the level of mothers' behavioral control and psychological control exerted were generally higher than that of fathers'. However, no significant relationship was found between maternal, paternal behavioral control and academic achievement, while no relationship