

Item Descriptions of Scales

School Climate Scale (29 items and have four subscales). Responses range from 1 to 4: 1 “Strongly Disagree” 2 “Disagree” 3 “Agree” 4 “Strongly Agree”.

Imaginative Context- innovative context or degree to which children are encouraged to experiment

Most of my teachers make this school a very exciting place in which to learn.

Most of my teachers encourage us to use a lot of imagination in our schoolwork.

In this school our teachers encourage us to think about exciting careers.

This school is full of boring students and teachers, so it is not an exciting place to be.

Most of my teachers encourage us to be very creative.

Teachers often try out new and exciting ways of doing things.

Most of my teachers let us do things by ourselves.

Interpersonal context- where children are made aware of affective states- their own and those of others.

Most of the teachers in this school are very interested in the personal problems of students.

This is a very caring school-the teachers care about us.

The teachers don't want to get to know the students in this school

Outside of class most of the teachers are very friendly and find time to talk to students

In this school many teachers spend a lot of time helping students with their schoolwork

Teachers are really concerned with students' feelings

Students in this school are friendly to new students.

Regulative context- nature of authority relationships in the school environment

Usually, those in charge in this school are not very patient with the students

Quite often teachers embarrass and upset students in my classes for not knowing the correct answers to questions

I enjoy being in this school because there are not too many strict rules

In this school, most teachers think that students are always fooling around and they punish students for everything

There are a lot of rules and regulations in this school

In this school, teachers, often make students take the blame for problems whether they did them or not

Instructional context- teaching and learning relationships

The teachers often seem like they are not very interested in what they are teaching.

Most of my teachers put a lot of energy and enthusiasm into their teaching.

I think that I learn a lot in most of my lessons.

The teachers plan lessons very well.

Most of my teachers seem to be very interested in what they are teaching.

Most of my teachers don't seem to prepare their lessons very well.

Most of my teachers give homework that helps me to understand my schoolwork.

Teachers in this school push students too hard.

The teachers in this school are not very interested in whether we learn or not.