Guidance needs of low academic achievement students (partial system students) in the secondary school in the Kingdom of Bahrain

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Summary of the Study

The study aimed to identify the guidance needs of low academic achievement students (Partial System Students). At Secondary Schools in the Kingdom of Bahrain, and seeks to answer the following questions:

1. What are the guidance needs of low academic achievement students from the Partial system?
2. Are there statistically significant differences in the guidance needs of the students of the study sample according to gender?
3. Are there statistically significant differences in the guidance needs of the students of the study sample according to the school-level variable?

The researcher used the descriptive approach in this comparative study, and prepared the indicative list of needs as a tool for data collection, the study sample consisted of 281 low academic achievement students from the partial system, and came out with the following results:

The core areas integrated underneath the guidance needs are: school, family, physical, emotional, social, and occupational choice. The results of the study showed that the school needs of the students come in the list of needs, followed by the physical needs, emotional needs, the needs of occupational choice, the social needs, and finally the family needs.

The study also demonstrated a statistically significant differences between male and female in the guidance emotional needs, and social, in favor of males. While it did not show differences in the physical needs, school, and family and the needs of occupational choice, in addition to the lack of statistically significant differences in the guidance needs of students returning to school-level variable except in the area needs occupational choice for first level students.

The study recommendations include: setting up outreach programs to meet the needs of students and help them to know the proper ways to raise their academic level.