

Pupils Perception Towards Wearing of School Uniform

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Abstract

Uniform is a dress worn by members of a particular group. Uniform should be worn by those who are required to do so and by the pupils in order for them to be recognized as real pupils and to look presentable.

However, not all of the pupils follow the rules set by the school. Among the major problems that is happening in different schools is the Pupil's Perception towards Wearing of School Uniform. Some. pupils do not follow the proper uniform prescribed by the school. They have their own way and style in wearing it never minding whether they look presentable as long as they feel they were comfortable on it.

The main purpose of the study was to determine the different perceptions of pupils towards the wearing of school uniform from SY 2006-2007.

Specifically, this study sought to answer the following questions:

1. What are the Perception of the Pupils with regard to the style and color of the school uniform?
2. What are the perception of the Pupils with regard to the style and color of the school uniform?
3. What are the perception of the Pupils towards Wearing of Uniform when grouped according to age, sex and parent's educational attainment?

The descriptive method was used in this study. The questionnaire used in gathering the data needed for this study consisted of two parts. Part I was the personal information of the respondents and part 2 was the pupil's perception towards wearing of school uniform.

The respondents of this study were the grade 6 pupils of Avila Elementary School. Total enumeration was used in the conduct of the study. The questionnaire was distributed to the respondents and was collected later. The statistical tools used were frequency count, rank and percentages.

The findings of the study revealed that:

1. Out of the 50 respondents, 9 of them have ages below 12 years old, while 41 have ages 12 years old and above. There were 25 male and 25 female.;
2. Out of 50 respondents, 37 of them have the parent's income Php5,000.00- below, 11 pupils with parent's income of Php5,001 .00 - Php 10,000.00, while only 2 pupils with parent's income of above Php10,001 .00- above;
3. Most of their fathers were able to finished elementary and only 8 out of the 50 respondents' father finished college degree, while most of their mothers finished secondary and 8 reached tertiary level;
4. Of the 50 respondents, 29 of them had fathers who were farmers, 6 were fishermen, and others were carpenters, while most of their mothers were housekeepers;
5. When the respondents were asked of the present color of their uniform, 50 of the respondents answered that the color is blue and white.' while the present design of the uniform for girls is the blouse and skirt and for the boys is the short and polo shirt;
6. Of the 50 respondents, all of them like wearing their uniform, and when asked if they were comfortable wearing it all of them answered yes. Only 1 (one) doesn't like the design as well as the color of their uniform and 26 wanted their uniform to be changed if given a chance;
7. Out of 50 respondents, 26 of them wanted to change their uniform. Out of this 26, 12 were girls: Out of these 12 girls, 6 of them wanted to retain the blouse and skirt design, the rest wanted it to be a continuous dress. There were 14 boys who wanted to change their uniform and 6 of them suggested the pants and polo shirt and 8. suggested shorts and polo shirt. Most of the girls want the color of the skirt to be checkered blue and white blouse with cravat while most of the boys want the blue shorts and white polo shirt. Although only 26 respondents wanted to change their uniform but there is one respondent who also suggest even though he don't want to change the uniform

Based on the results of the findings the following are the conclusions:

1. Out of the 50 respondents, most of them were 12 years old and above. There is an equal ratio between male and female;
2. Most of their parents have the income and Php5,000.00 - below and only few of their parent finished the college degree;
3. Their fathers' occupation mostly farmers and almost all of their mothers were housekeeper;
4. The present color and design of their uniform is the blue skirt and white blouse for girls while blue short and white polo shirt for boys;
5. All of the respondents like wearing their uniform and were comfortable wearing it. While only one (1) doesn't like the design and color of his/her uniform. When asked if they were given a chance do they like to change their uniform? 26 of them answered yes;
6. The most suggested design for boys is the short and polo shirt while all half of the girls chose the blouse and skirt and the rest is the continuous design. Most of the girls want the checkered blue and blouse with cravat while boys want the blue short and white polo shirt.

The study recommends that although most of the respondents want to change their uniform, but due of financial problem, they were just contented of their uniform and they should always look for the good of the pupils and be aware of their concern.