

Name of Instrument: **Parental Influence on Aggressive Behaviour Questionnaire**

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Where to obtain Instrument:

- Contact author

Description of the Instrument

- Measures parental influences on students' aggressive behaviours and weapon carrying
- The questionnaire contains questions relating to:
 - Aggressive behaviour - measures aggressive behaviours during the week prior to the survey. The aggression scale is composed of 11 items. Responses can range from 0 times to 6 or more times per week.
 - Fights - Frequency of fights at school during the month prior to the survey ranged from 0 to 10 or more times.
 - Injuries - Injuries due to fighting during the year prior to the survey ranged from 0 to 6 or more times.
 - Weapon carrying - measured by 4 questions. Students asked how many times in last 30 days they've carried guns, knives or clubs. Responses ranged from 0 to 6 or more days.
 - Family structure - measured by questions asking who the student lives with most of the time.
 - Parental monitoring - measured by two questions with answers ranging from never/almost never to almost always
 - Student's perception of parental attitudes toward fighting – Measured on a 10-item scale. 10 statements are presented and the student must answer either a yes or no regarding frequent parental sayings about fightings.

Form of instrument:

- Questionnaire/ Survey

Method of delivery:

- Self-Report

Relevance to injury/ Percentage of the instrument specific to injury

- To assess parental influence on and frequency of aggressive behaviours that may lead to physical injuries among children and adolescents.

Time to administer or complete the instrument

Methods of data analyses:

- Quantitative

Setting/sample instrument used in:

- 6th, 7th, and 8th graders from eight urban middle schools of a large school district in Texas.
- 8,865 students (88.5% response rate) = final sample.

Was it pilot tested? Yes

Pilot test sample:

- No further information provided by the article.

Reliability Measures

- Aggressive behaviour – Cronbach's alpha = .88
- Fights – Kappa = .68
- Injuries – Kappa = .51
- Weapon carrying – Kappa = .76
- Student's perception of parental attitudes toward fighting - Cronbach's alpha=.81

Validity Measures

Reference

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