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"Thank you for standing by me
through those trying times"
Abstract

The purpose of this study was to investigate the extent of students' involvement in part-time employment in an urban secondary. The study also looked into the types of part-time employment of the students, jobs characteristics such as monthly income and work hours per week, the reasons for working part-time and also some of the influences of part-time employment on students' academic performance and social behaviour. This study utilised the survey approach to collect data. The subjects of this study comprised 1,176 boys and 1,246 girls from Sekolah Menengah Kepong Baru. The results reveal that approximately one third of the school population worked, with the majority of them (67.8%) working during school holidays. Most of the students worked in food and trade industries. The most frequently cited reason was 'to gain pocket money'. The findings showed that there was a significant relationship between academic achievement and student's part-time employment. A slightly higher percentage of student-workers was involved in deviance than the non-workers. The survey also revealed that the majority of the student-workers spent their earned money for personal expenses.
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