Ergenlerde Sanal Zorbalık Ve Mağduriyetin Empati İle İlişkisinin İncelenmesi

Relationship Between Cyber Bully, Victim At Adolescents And Their Empathy

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Extended Summary

Purpose

The aim of this study is to examine the relationship between cyber bullying, and victimization at adolescents and their empathy. For this purpose the questions that need to be answered are:

1- Is cyber bullying points predictors of empathy?
2- Is cyber victimization points predictors of empathy?

Method

Relational survey method is used in this study. The research is conducted on high school students in Erzincan Center. The research, which is about five different high schools in Erzincan, have materialized on 544 students. As a data collection device, Personal Information Form, Cyber Bully Questionnaire, Cyber Victim Questionnaire and Basic Empathy Scale have been used in this device.

Research Universe

The research universe of this study consists of all students who are ongoing their education in high school grade in 2015-2016 academic year in Erzincan Center.

Research Sample

The sample of this study is defined as the stratified sampling method. The research, which is about five different high schools with the sampling method used

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in Erzincan. At research, schools that were included in the sample: Science High School, Social Science High School, Anatolian High School, Anatolian Imam Hatip High School, Vocational And Technical High School. A set from each classes that including 9, 10, 11, 12 th grade were selected by sampling. The research group of this study consists of 544 students but 55 students answers were invalid and the sample group were excluded so the research was realized with 489 students.

Results

The research put forward the effect of empathy on cyber bullying and cyber victimization. There is a negative correlation between adolescents cyberbullying and empathy. When examining the literature relevant to the topic, A similar study was found (Kowalski ve Limber, 2007). Despite the fact that other research shows that a relationship between empathy and cyber bullying are not available (Gökler, 2007; Pelencioğlu, 2011).

Empathy is the ability to share someone else's feelings allows individuals to establish communication and understanding of each other. It is not expected Individuals with high levels of empathy damage to the other people (Kowalski ve Limber, 2007).

Discussion

When the results were analyzed when the cyber bullying decrease, empathy mean increases. As a consequently people with high scores from cyberbullying size has less empathic tendencies.

Conclusion

According to the results of this study, it has made the following recommendations:

Empathic tendencies of cyberbully and cybervictim were investigated in this study. After this study a relationship between empathic tendencies and persons who witnessed and supported cyberbullying was investigated.