Truancy and Siblings

Examination of three family cases

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Abstract:

The theme of this study is truancy and siblings. It is known that a truant child may affect his or her family and that parents often focus on the truant child rather than their other non-truant children. There is, however, little research on the affect of truancy on siblings

In this study, the author examines truancy support. [1] Research on the influence of truancy and how siblings feel about it suggests the need for support for siblings. [2] Research on siblings' thoughts about truancy and family suggests the need for support for family problems resulting from truancy.

The author investigated three family cases (5 parents and 3 sibling interviews). As a result, truancy was confirmed to exert an influence on siblings. This may result from a lack of understanding about the background of truancy. Further, siblings' thinking may be different from their parents. From the results it is suggested that there is a need for support for siblings, and an understanding of siblings' thinking may help solve problems created by truancy.