

**A STUDY TO INVESTIGATE THE EFFECTS OF WITHDRAWAL OF  
CORPORAL PUNISHMENT ON STUDENTS' DISCIPLINE IN PUBLIC  
SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN NGEWA DIVISION, KIAMBU COUNTY.**

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## **ABSTRACT**

The purpose of this study was to investigate the influence of alternative strategies to corporal punishments among the secondary school students in Ngewa division, Kiambu county. The study employed a descriptive survey design and used a questionnaire as a tool for the data collection. The data was collected from 10 deputy principals, 10 teacher counselors and 88 students from the 10 public secondary schools in Ngewa division, Kiambu County. The study adopted a descriptive survey design. The design was considered appropriate for the study because according to Kothari (1985) survey is concerned with describing recording analyzing and reporting conditions that exist or existed. Kerlinger (1973) argues that survey method is widely used to obtain data useful in evaluating present practices and providing basis for decisions. Questionnaires were used to gather data for the study from the deputy principals, teacher counselors, and the students. The data was analyzed using Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS). The results of data analysis were presented in frequencies, Tables and percentages. The study established that causes of indiscipline among students were drugs substances, poor relationships between students and teachers, parents siding with students to counter school rules, peer influence, lack of defined language policy in school, failure of principals to involve parents when instilling discipline, insufficient dialogue between administration and students, unclear rules and regulations, unfairness in motivating both active and non performing teachers in terms of coming late to school, failure of teacher to discipline students and inadequate preparation before going to class.