

**AN INVESTIGATION INTO THE CAUSES OF HIGH SCHOOL DROP OUT IN MIXED
DAY SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN MWINGI EAST SUBCOUNTY, KITUI COUNTY**

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ABSTRACT

An investigation into the causes of high school dropout rate in mixed day sec school in Mwingi East Sub County was carried out. Education has been the concern of everybody due to its ability to resuscitate man from poverty. This study sought to define the challenges that bedevil education in mixed day sec schools and recommend solutions. The study targeted mixed day sec

school in Mwingi East Sub County and it was found to be significant to education stakeholders such as administrators, teachers and parents.

The insight provided herein was significant in the making of educational policies that saw the situation improved. The study was guided by the questions, what is the attitude of the community towards mixed day sec schools? Do learners in mixed day sec schools feel motivated to learn there?, what are the challenges that bedevil education and learners in particular in mixed day sec schools?

The study was guided by the classical theory of classical conditioning by B.F Skinner which argues that motivation is a basic factor to an action. Education should be paired with good activities to elicit interest among the learners and therefore culminate into the exploitation of their full potential. The theory also discussed the role of modeling in behavior development as students drop out of school because of; lack of proper models

The researcher used questionnaires, observations and, interviews in the collection of data; sampling method was used as a representation of the whole population.

Data was analyzed using graphs, pie charts and frequencies