

## SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT AND STUDENTS' LEARNING OUTCOMES

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The school environment is one of the key forces that influence the learning experiences of students. It may be understood as the physical condition of the school, the teacher-student relationships, and the emotional climate of the learning environment. Students who feel comfortable and secure tend to be more engaged with the learning process and consequently learn better.

A positive physical environment gives the students the ability to focus and stay motivated. A clean physical environment with appropriate lighting and adequate ventilation ensures that the students can focus better throughout the class. Schools that ensure they have adequate learning materials for the students also help them to understand their lessons better. A positive physical environment gives the students the chance to focus better without distractions and motivates them to take active learning activities.

Also important is a good social environment in the school. The relationship between teachers and students creates a sense of security, trust, and belongingness. By showing concern, respect, and encouragement to students, teachers are able to instill confidence and develop a healthy attitude in their students. Friendly interactions among classmates enhance cooperation and reduce conflicts, and the classroom becomes an enjoyable environment to learn in.

The emotional climate of the school further influences students' learning outcomes: schools that promote discipline and fairness, that are emotionally safe for the students,

help reduce anxiety and stress for the learners. The school free from bullying, discrimination, and related threats permits the student to feel safe and focus on studying. If students feel emotionally safe, they will feel more likely to attend school regularly, participate in class, and perform well academically.

In essence, students' learning outcomes are highly influenced by their school environment. Therefore, a supportive physical, social, and emotional environment creates conditions that would ensure effective learning. As a means of ensuring students reach their full academic potential, improvements in school environments are therefore important for the betterment of academic performance.

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