

BELONGING SCALE
Middle Student Report

The *Belonging Scale* is a modification of the original scale developed by Gambone & Arbreton (1997). In the Study of Promising After-School Programs, the response scale was modified (original: 1 = never, 5 = all of the time) and the items were reworded to reference the after-school program.

Citation

Gambone, M. A., & Arbreton, A. J. A. (1997). *Safe Havens: The contributions of youth organizations to healthy adolescent development*. Philadelphia, PA: Public/Private Ventures.

Administration

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Items

1. I feel like I belong at my after-school program
2. I feel like my ideas count at my after-school program
3. People really listen to me at my after-school program
4. I feel like I'm successful at my after-school program
5. My after-school program is a comfortable place to hang out
6. At my after-school program, I feel like I matter
7. If I didn't show up, someone at my after-school program would notice I was not around

Response scale

1 = never

2 = sometimes

3 = most of the time

4 = always

Scoring

Mean item score

Psychometrics

Middle					
	<i>N</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>SD</i>	Range	Alpha
Spring 2004	307	2.81	0.74	1-4	.85
Spring 2005	257	2.91	0.71	1-4	.88