# MOCK REPORT CARD: WORK HABITS Elementary & Middle Student Report

*Work Habits* is an adaptation of the Work Habits scale on the *Mock Report Card* (Pierce, Hamm, & Vandell, 1999), a measure completed by teachers. The items were reworded for the child self-report and the response scale was modified (original: 1 = very poor, 5 = very good).

# Citation

Pierce, K. M., Hamm, J. V., & Vandell, D. L. (1999). Experiences in after-school programs and children's adjustment in first-grade class classrooms. *Child Development*, 70, 756-767.

# Administration

Fall 2003

Spring 2004

Spring 2005

#### **Items**

- 1. I follow the rules in my classroom
- 2. I work well by myself
- 3. I am careful and neat with my work
- 4. I use my time the way I'm supposed to (elementary) / I make good use of time at school (middle)
- 5. I finish my work on time
- 6. I keep track of my things at school

#### Response scale

1 = not all true

2 = a little true

3 =somewhat true

4 = really true

# Scoring

Mean item score

# <u>Psychometrics</u>

	N	M	SD	Range	Alpha
Elementary					
Fall 2003	1699	3.42	0.56	1.17-4	.72
Spring 2004	1594	3.30	0.61	1-4	.76
Spring 2005	1255	3.26	0.57	1.17-4	.76
Middle					
Fall 2003	1015	3.21	0.58	1-4	.78
Spring 2004	970	3.13	0.58	1-4	.79
Spring 2005	754	3.15	0.51	1.33-4	.75

# **Validity**

Walker & Arbreton (2004) found that similar student reports of work habits were positively associated with academic performance and school attendance.

Walker, K. E., & Arbreton, A. J. A. (2004). *After-school pursuits: An examination of outcomes in the San Francisco Beacon initiative*. Philadelphia: Public/Private Ventures.