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# **Contribution of Academic Self-Concept and Parental Social Support to Learning motivation**

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## Abstract

Contribution of academic self-concept and parental social support to learning motivation. This research is motivated by the low student motivation. Academic self-concept and parental social support are thought to have an effect on student motivation. This study aims to describe: (1) academic self-concept, (2) parental social support, (3) student learning motivation, (4) Contribution of academic self-concept to student learning motivation, (5) contribution of parental social support to student learning motivation, (6) the contribution of academic self-concept and parents' social support together on learning motivation. This research uses a descriptive correlational quantitative method. The study population was students of class X and XI at SMKN 6 Padang, totaling 983 students, a sample of 284 students, who were selected by using cluster random sampling technique. The results of this study indicate that academic self-concept and parental social support together have a significant effect on learning motivation at SMKN 6 Padang by 64.5%. The implications of the results of this study can be used as a needs analysis in making Guidance and Counseling service programs at SMKN 6 Padang.

Keywords: Academic Self-Concept, Parents Sosial Support, learning motivation

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# Introduction

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Studying is compulsory for all Indonesian citizens. Law No.20 of 2003 Chapter I Article 1 Paragraph 18 states that: "Compulsory education is the minimum education program that must be followed by Indonesian citizens on the responsibility of the government and local governments". The obligation to study in Chapter VIII Article 34 Paragraph 1 which states: "Every citizen aged 6 (six) years can join the compulsory education program.

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Iskandar (2009) states that the learning process is characterized by changes in behavior due to new experiences, so that students gain experience, appreciation, habits, and competence. The desired behavior change from the learning process must have a strong motivation from within students, in order to achieve the desired learning goals.

Motivation is something that causes students to take steps, keeps students going, and determines where students try to go (Slavin, 2011). Waruwu (2006) states that the role of motivation is very important in the learning process, students who do not have sufficient motivation certainly have a low interest in learning subject matter, because students will not be motivated to find the information needed and make efforts to deepen the subject matter.

Biggs and Moore (1993) explain that student learning motivation is caused by students 'expectations for success, students' way of appreciating the activity process, and the results obtained. That is the importance of motivation in learning that must be possessed by students, but the description of facts and phenomena that occur in the field shows things that are not expected. Based on research conducted by Waruwu (2006), there are many complaints about the decline in student learning motivation, both at the elementary, middle and college levels.

Research conducted by Elmirawati, Daharnis, and Syahniar (2013) described the learning motivation of students at SMA Negeri 1 Singingi, revealing that student learning motivation was in the moderate category. According to the news portal Klik Sumbar (2014) forty students ranging from Elementary School (SD) unior High School (SMP) and Senior High School (SMA) were arrested by the Civil Service Police Unit (Satpol PP) of Padang City on June 12, 2014. Dozens students were secured because they were caught truant during the Teaching and Learning Process (PBM). In fact, eight of them were caught playing koa and domino card gambling in the area of Jalan Azizi, Andalas, Padang City.

Motivation to learn arises because of intrinsic factors or factors from within students and extrinsic factors caused by encouragement and desire for needs, hopes and ideals, or factors that come from outside of students in the form of appreciation, student environmental conditions, and learning activities interesting (Iskandar, 2009). Jahja (2011) classified two types of motivation, namely: (1) intrinsic motivation, namely motivation that grows from within humans in the form of a strong impulse that comes out of him and provides the ability to do work without coercion. (2) extrinsic motivation, namely motivation that grows due to external encouragement given by parents, teachers, and the community.

student environmental conditions affect motivation to learn. The student's environmental conditions are supported by parents. Parental support is thought to be a factor that influences student learning motivation, both positive and negative. Parental support in creating a learning atmosphere for students is very influencing because in general students are still dependent on their parents, both moral and material support. Tan, Ismanto & Babakal (2013) research stated that parental support has a significant relationship to student learning motivation. Parental support provided to students is generally in the medium category. Most of the school age children have motivation to learn in the medium category.

Learning motivation is influenced by internal factors, namely students' self-concept. Sunaryo (2004) states that self-concept is an individual's way of seeing his or her personality perfectly, physically, emotionally, intellectually, socially, and spiritually, including individual perceptions of the nature and potential they have, individual interactions with others and their environment, values. relating to experiences and objects, as well as goals, hopes, and desires.

Learning motivation can also be influenced by internal factors, namely students' self-concept. Academic self-concept is a set of mental control instruments because it affects students' thinking abilities. Academic self-concept can make students more confident and feel confident in their abilities because the academic self-concept itself includes how individuals behave, feel and evaluate their abilities (Marsh, 2003).

Their academic self-concept makes students more confident and feel confident in their ability to behave, feel and evaluate themselves. Students who have a positive academic self-concept perceive, assess, and feel themselves positively, while students who have an academic self-concept perceive, assess, and feel themselves bad.

Handling negative self-concept problems in students and low support provided by parents related to students' low learning motivation. Guidance and Counseling (hereinafter referred to as BK) as an integral part of the educational process. BK is seen as an educational process for learning to have positive thoughts to increase student motivation, so that students have good achievement. Based on this description, it is necessary to have an in-depth study of the factors that influence student learning motivation. Counselors can optimize guidance and counseling services in schools to improve students' academic self-concept.

### Method

This research uses a descriptive correlational quantitative method. The study population was students of class XI and XII SMKN 6 Padang, amounting to 983 people, a sample of 284 people, who were selected by cluster random sampling technique. The instrument used was a Likert scale model. Data were analyzed using descriptive statistics, simple and multiple regression. Assisted data analysis by using the SPSS program version 20.00.

## **Results and Discussion**

The data in this study included academic self-concept variables (X1), parental social support (X2), and learning motivation student (Y). The following is a description of the research data.

# Data Description

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## 1. Academic self-concept

The description of the academic self-concept data totaling 284 respondents can be seen in Table

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Tabel 1. Distribution and Percentage of Academic Self Concepts

Table 1 above shows that most students have a high self-concept in learning, which is 75.70%, some other students are in the medium category, namely 24.30%, So, on average, students' self-concept is in the high category.

#### 2. Parental Social Support

Description of parental social support data, amounting to 284 respondents, can be seen in Table 2.

Table 2. Parental Social Support					
Score	Category	Frequency	%		
≥84	Very High	55	19		
68-83	High	203	72		
52-67	Moderate	55	19		
36-51	Low	0	0		
≤ 35	Very low	0	0		
	Total	284	100		

Table 2 above shows that most students received high support from parents for education, namely 72%, some other students received very high support, namely 19%, some other students received moderate support, namely 19%. So, on average parental support is in the very high category.

Score	Categori	Frequency	%
≥84	Very High	3	1
68-83	High	221	78
52-67	Moderate	60	21
36-51	Low	0	0
≤ 35	Very Low	0	0
	Total	284	100

#### 3. Learning Motivation

Table 3 above shows that most of the student's learning motivation is in the high category, namely 78%, the medium category is 21%, and the very high category is 1%. So, on average, student learning motivation is in the high category.

# Conclusion

Based on the findings and discussion academic self-concept contributes to the learning motivation of students of SMK Negeri 6 Padang by 48.6%. That is, the higher the contribution of academic self-concept, the higher the student's learning motivation, or vice versa if the academic self-concept is negative, it will result in lower student learning motivation. Parents' social support contributed 55.8% to the learning motivation of students of SMK Negeri 6 Padang. This means that the higher the contribution of parental social support, the higher the student's motivation to learn, or vice versa if the social support of parents is low, it will result in lower student learning motivation. Academic self-concept and parental social support contributed 64.2% to the learning motivation of students at SMK Negeri 6 Padang. That is, the level of student learning motivation is not only influenced by one variable (academic self-concept and parental social support), but is jointly influenced by academic self-concept and parental social support. In other words, the higher the academic self-concept and the higher the student's motivation to learn. This means that the variables of academic self-concept and parental social support will be more effective if they contribute together as predictors of student learning motivation

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