

## AFTER-SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT SCALE

	NEVER	SOME- TIMES	MOST OF THE TIME	ALWAYS
1. I get to know other kids really well here.	1	2	3	4
2. I trust the teachers here.	1	2	3	4
3. The teachers know everything that us kids do here.	1	2	3	4
4. If I'm bored here, I just pick something else to do.	1	2	3	4
5. I wish I was anywhere but here.	1	2	3	4
6. I can tell the teachers here about my problems if I need to.	1	2	3	4
7. I can really trust the other kids here.	1	2	3	4
8. There are too many rules to follow here.	1	2	3	4
9. When I want to be alone, the teachers bother me.	1	2	3	4
10. I have to do what's planned, no matter what.	1	2	3	4
11. I have lots of friends here.	1	2	3	4
12. The teachers really listen to me when I have something important to say.	1	2	3	4
13. I'm usually bored here.	1	2	3	4
14. I get to choose what I want to do here.	1	2	3	4
15. The teachers are very strict here.	1	2	3	4
16. It seems like the teachers never leave us alone here.	1	2	3	4
17. I really like coming here.	1	2	3	4
18. I help plan what we do here.	1	2	3	4

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19. We get into trouble for talking when we aren't supposed to.	1	2	3	4
20. The teachers always have to know where I am and what I'm doing.	1	2	3	4
21. The teachers here are more like friends than teachers.	1	2	3	4
22. I like the other kids here.	1	2	3	4
23. I get to do what I want to do here.	1	2	3	4
24. We can get away with a lot here.	1	2	3	4
25. The teachers go out of their way to help kids here.	1	2	3	4
26. I like the activities here.	1	2	3	4
27. The teachers are always telling me what to do.	1	2	3	4
28. I can be by myself here whenever I want to.	1	2	3	4
29. I have a good time playing with other kids here.	1	2	3	4
30. The teachers let me decide what to do here.	1	2	3	4
31. The teachers yell a lot here.	1	2	3	4
32. I miss it here when I don't come.	1	2	3	4
33. I have a hard time finding friends here.	1	2	3	4
34. The teachers here care about me.	1	2	3	4
35. I'm always being bothered by the teachers.	1	2	3	4
36. This is a great place to be.	1	2	3	4

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The 36-item After-School Environment Scale (ASES) was developed for use with third-, fourth-, and fifth-grade children as a measure of psychosocial climate in after-school programs. Several features of programs are assessed, including relations with caregivers, provisions for autonomy, and relations with peers at the program. A 4-point response scale ranging from 1 = never to 4 = always is utilized. Rosenthal & Vandell (1996) identified three scales: Emotional Support, Autonomy/Privacy, and Peer Affiliation. An overall climate score is computed as the mean of the three scale scores (alpha reliability = .95).

### Emotional Support (alpha reliability = .95)

2. I trust the teachers here.
5. I wish I was anywhere by here (-)
6. I can tell the teachers here about my problems if I need to
8. There are too many rules to follow. (-)
9. When I want to be alone the teachers bother me. (-)
12. The teachers really listen to me when I have something important to say.
13. I'm usually bored here. (-)
15. The teachers are very strict here. (-)
16. It seems like the teachers never leave us alone here. (-)
17. I really like coming here.
21. The teachers here are more like friends than teachers.
25. The teachers go out of their way to help kids here.
26. I like the activities here.
27. The teachers are always telling me what to do. (-)
31. The teachers yell a lot here. (-)
32. I miss it here when I don't come.
34. The teachers here care about me.
35. I'm always being bothered by the teachers. (-)
36. This is a great place to be.

### Autonomy/Privacy (alpha reliability = .79)

10. I have to do what's planned, no matter what. (-)
14. I get to choose what I want to do here.
19. We get into trouble for talking when we aren't supposed to. (-)
23. I get to do what I want to do here.
28. I can be by myself here whenever I want to.
30. The teachers let me decide what to do here.

### Peer Affiliation (alpha reliability = .80)

1. I get to know other kids really well here.
7. I can really trust the other kids here
11. I have lots of friends here.
22. I like the other kids here.
29. I have a good time playing with other kids here.
33. I have a hard time finding friends here. (-)