The Relationship Between The Teachers' Values And Their Organizational Citizenship Behaviors

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Abstract

The purpose of this study is to determine the relationship between the teachers' values and their organizational citizenship behaviors. For this purpose, Schwartz's (1992) list of values and the scale of organizational citizenship behaviors developed by Podsakaff and his colleagues have been applied to 407 teachers working in the schools of The District Education Directorate of Keçiören in Ankara. In the study correlation has been used to determine the relationship between the teachers' values and their organizational citizenship behaviors statistically. At the end of the research it has been identified that there is a significant and positive relationship between the teachers' values and their organizational citizenship behaviors. It has also been found that there are statistically significant relationships between the values collected in ten dimensions on Schwartz's list and the five main behavioral dimensions comprising organizational citizenship behaviors. The strongest relationship has been observed between the universalism value group and civic virtue dimensions of behaviors based on the data obtained from the research. The findings of the study have been interpreted based on the literature.

Keywords: Values, organizational citizenship behaviors, teachers

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Extended Summary

Purpose

The purpose of this study is to determine the relationship between the teachers' values and their organizational citizenship behaviors. Values play an important role on individuals' behavior and attitudes. Values have the characteristic of defining behaviors of society besides behaviors and attitudes of individuals (Schwartz and Sagie, 2000). Values are not determinant in only individual behaviors, but also determinant in institutions behaviors and in attitudes of the society. The impact of organizational citizenship behavior is extremely important in the organization's effectiveness as well as the impact of the values. So much so that in terms of success and survival of the organization ;on a voluntary basis and organizational citizenship behaviors , which is tend to give up from their own priorities for the organization, is extremely important for the organization. The purpose of this study is to determine the relationship between the teachers' values and their organizational citizenship behaviors.

Method

This research is a descriptive study of relational survey model is used. The purpose of this study is to determine the relationship between the teachers' values and their organizational citizenship behaviors. This study group is constituting 407 teachers working in primary and secondary schools in Kecioren District National Education Directorate. Study to determine teachers' individual values "developed by Schwartz List of Values" is used which is developed by Schwartz (1992). However, in order to determine teachers' organizational citizenship behavior, the "Organizational Citizenship Behaviors Scale" is used which developed by Podsakoff, MacKenzie, Moorman and Fetter (1990). In the study correlation has been used to determine the relationship between the teachers' values and their organizational citizenship behaviors statistically.

Discussion

In this study the relationship between the teachers' values and their organizational citizenship behaviors is tried to determine. A statistically significant and positive relationships between all the dimensions have been identified between the values and organizational citizenship behavior of the teachers that participated in the study. The strongest relationship has been observed between the universalism value group and civic virtue dimensions of behaviors based on the data obtained from the research. In the study, when the teachers priorities are examined ,benevolence, universalism, and security groups have been identified as priorities for the most important value. When the teachers' organizational citizenship behavior is examined the highest average was found as courtesy.

Conclusion

Between teachers' values and organizational citizenship behaviors identified based on the results of this study a new research can be designed. Values, the relationship between organizational commitment and organizational citizenship behaviors, especially with democratic attitudes and organizational citizenship behavior, organizational trust, and organizational citizenship behaviors can be examined together.

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