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Abstract

Choosing academic or vocational stream of education for last year secondary school is a crucial period of life since this decision will absolutely affect their careers in the future.

The purposes of this study were to investigate the students' attitude in choosing academic or vocational stream of further education, to study the attitude of the students' parents in choosing academic or vocational stream for their students and to compare the significant variables. These variables were the students' achievement, parents' income and parent occupations. Each group of samples in this study was three hundred and sixty students in Mathayomsuksa 3 and their parents from Yasothon and Rayong. They were randomly selected by means of multistage random sampling. Two questionnaires were employed, one for the students and the other for their parents. Data was collected and analyzed by descriptive statistics in terms of percentage and chi-square test. The level of significance used was $p < 0.05$.

The Findings were that the students living and studying in different environmental status tended to make different decision on stream of further education. Students living in industrialized province tended to study further in vocational stream; whereas, students living in agricultural area go to the stream of general education. Another factor was the students' grade point average, including the different occupations of parents living in industrialized province.

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