

Supplementary Table S1. Correlation matrix of baseline characteristics among initial valid participants

n = 2,584	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1. Attending grade 8 PTC	1.00												
2. Attending grade 7 PTC	.43**	1.00											
3. Volunteer/participate PTA	.17**	.16**	1.00										
4. Attend school activities	.25**	.38**	.14**	1.00									
5. Place of residence	.21**	.25**	.04	.08**	1.00								
6. Parental education	.24**	.21**	.15**	.13**	.21**	1.00							
7. Parental marital status	.06**	.12**	.05*	.10**	.00	.04*	1.00						
8. Household income	.22**	.22**	.08**	.15**	.23**	.36**	.17**	1.00					
9. Firstborn	.07**	.06**	-.01	.01	.06**	.12**	-.01	.06**	1.00				
10. Prior class rank	.23**	.16**	.11**	.13**	.02	.20**	.07**	.16**	.13**	1.00			
11. Peer relationships	-.04*	-.04*	-.01	.04	-.07**	-.05**	.02	.00	-.01	-.06**	1.00		
12. Parental care of emotions	.09**	.10**	.05**	.10**	.04*	.07**	.06**	.10**	.09**	.14**	.13**	1.00	
13. Parental expectation	.24**	.23**	.12**	.16**	.16**	.34**	.07**	.28**	.13**	.45**	-.06**	.13**	1.00

** $p < .01$; * $p < .05$, PTCs= Parent-teacher conferences; PTA= Parent-teacher association

Supplementary Table S2. Correlation matrix of baseline characteristics among participants in the high school entrance exam group

n = 1,294	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
1. High school exam score	1.00													
2. Attending grade 8 PTCs	.34**	1.00												
3. Attending grade 7 PTC	.30**	.43**	1.00											
4. Volunteer/participate PTA	.11**	.19**	.17**	1.00										
5. Attend school activities	.14**	.25**	.36**	.14**	1.00									
6. Place of residence	.36**	.28**	.32**	.07**	.13**	1.00								
7. Parental education	.35**	.27**	.22**	.14**	.12**	.31**	1.00							
8. Parental marital status	.08**	.06*	.10**	.07*	.11**	.03	.02	1.00						
9. Household income	.35**	.27**	.26**	.12**	.17**	.34**	.39**	.12**	1.00					
10. Firstborn	.17**	.06*	.05	-.03	-.01	.08**	.13**	.02	.10**	1.00				
11. Prior class rank	.66**	.19**	.15**	.10**	.11**	.07*	.15**	.07*	.14**	.11**	1.00			
12. Peer relationships	.14**	.07*	.05	.02	-.04	.13**	.07*	-.02	.00	.00	.07**	1.00		
13. Parental care of emotions	-.17**	-.10**	-.12**	-.04	-.10**	-.04	-.05	-.08**	-.10**	-.06*	-.15**	.11**	1.00	
14. Parental expectation	.51**	.25**	.27**	.13**	.14**	.27**	.34**	0.05	.30**	.12**	.40**	.07*	-.12**	1.00

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Supplementary Table S3. Correlation matrix of baseline characteristics among participants in the college entrance exam group

n = 524	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
1. College entrance exam	1.00													
2. Attending grade 8 PTC	.17**	1.00												
3. Attending grade 7 PTC	.13**	.39**	1.00											
4. Volunteer/participate PTA	.05	.14**	.10*	1.00										
5. Attend school activities	.07	.24**	.37**	.16**	1.00									
6. Place of residence	.06	.21**	.29**	.05	.03	1.00								
7. Parental education	.24**	.21**	.18**	.08	.14**	.21**	1.00							
8. Parental marital status	.03	-.03	.06	.04	.09*	.04	.06	1.00						
9. Household income	.20**	.19**	.16**	.06	.19**	.18**	.38**	.20**	1.00					
10. Firstborn	.05	.04	-.01	-.06	-.03	.07	.12**	-.02	.06	1.00				
11. Prior class rank	.43**	.07	.00	.02	.08	-.10*	.07	.02	.03	.03	1.00			
12. Peer relationships	.06	.05	.09*	-.01	.03	.08	.01	.03	-.08	-.02	.03	1.00		
13. Parental care of emotions	-.04	-.06	-.09*	-.06	-.13**	.00	-.05	-.05	-.14**	-.09*	-.08	.17**	1.00	
14. Parental expectation	.23**	.16**	.23**	.09*	.12**	.14**	.28**	.00	.22**	-.01	.18**	-.04	-.10*	1.00

** $p < .01$; * $p < .05$, PTCs = Parent-teacher conferences; PTA = Parent-teacher association

Supplementary Table S4. Mean scores on high school entrance exam (9th grade) by patterns of parental attendance at parent-teacher conferences across study waves

Grade	Whole sample		Grade 7 PTC: No Grade 8 PTC: No		Grade 7 PTC: Yes Grade 8 PTC: No		Grade 7 PTC: No Grade 8 PTC: Yes		Grade 7 PTC: Yes Grade 8 PTC: Yes	
	n	Mean $\pm$ SD	n	Mean $\pm$ SD	n	Mean $\pm$ SD	n	Mean $\pm$ SD	n	Mean $\pm$ SD
7 & 8	2,484	--	724	--	528	--	196	--	1036	--
9	1,294	168.7 $\pm$ 53.6	349	139.4 $\pm$ 49.2	261	162.2 $\pm$ 48.6	109	170.2 $\pm$ 50.3	575	189.2 $\pm$ 50.0
12	353 ^a	216.4 $\pm$ 31.7	52	202.6 $\pm$ 29.0	63	208.0 $\pm$ 29.9	26	214.7 $\pm$ 27.6	212	222.5 $\pm$ 31.8

^a Only 353 out of 524 participants with GSAT scores had BCTJHSS scores.

PTC = Parent-teacher conference