



REVIEWER REPORT

Manuscript Title:	Awareness and Practices in the Implementation of the Child Protection Policy among Public Elementary School Teachers
Type of Article:	Original Article

FIRST ROUND

EDITOR

<u>Comments and Recommendations</u>
I have evaluated your manuscript alongside the peer reviewers' comments, and we agree that your study offers valuable insights into educational policy, though it requires greater methodological specificity before publication. To enhance transparency, please revise your abstract and methodology sections to explicitly detail your sampling strategy and report the precise reliability scores of your survey instruments. Additionally, ensure that critical contextual details such as the specific geographic division of your research and the exact statistical variance explained by your model are clearly highlighted for the readers upfront.

REVIEWER 1

<u>Specific Comments and Recommendations</u>
Please explicitly state your sampling method in both the methodology and abstract sections to improve transparency. It is helpful to clarify that the 125 teachers were selected through simple random sampling rather than convenience methods. Furthermore, the abstract would benefit from explicitly naming the geographic division. Please add that the research was conducted in the Division of Davao Oriental. In your results narrative, you must specify the exact percentage of variance explained by your model to give readers a clear sense of effect size. Please state that the awareness domains explained 33.6% of the variance in practices. These exact figures elevate the academic rigor of your summary.

<u>General Comments and Recommendations</u>
This is a timely and well-structured study on a critical educational policy. The methodology is generally sound, but the draft requires more specificity regarding your sampling strategy and the precise results of your regression model to ensure reproducibility. I appreciate the clear focus on public elementary school teachers, as this demographic is vital for policy implementation. Addressing these omissions will significantly clarify the value of your findings for the readers.



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<u>Decision</u>	
☐	Accept the manuscript for publication.
☐	Reconsider the manuscript after the authors have satisfactorily addressed and complied with the reviewers' comments and recommendations.
☐	The manuscript, in its current form, is not acceptable for publication and requires substantial revision.
☐	Reject the manuscript, as it is not suitable for publication.

REVIEWER 2

<u>Specific Comments and Recommendations</u>
The abstract lacks exact data right now. You must add the exact variance value in the abstract part. The reader needs to see the 33.6 percent variance explained by the domains. Please also state the survey reliability score in the method section. You must put the Cronbach alpha for awareness as 0.975. This precise number shows the quality of the tool. It is very important to show these numbers clearly for the audience.

<u>General Comments and Recommendations</u>
I read the article with great interest. The work has clear value for public schools. We need more exact details in the text so the readers understand the data better. Please fix the parts below to make the paper perfect.

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