

# The Effect of Principal Leadership Style and Work Motivation of Primary School Teacher Performance in Kendari City

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**Abstract.** As concrete, the implementation of education in schools will go well if it is supported by the principal's leadership style and high teacher performance motivation when empowered to suit his posturing and both component supports each other will gain the national goals easily. This study aimed to determine the effect of the principal's leadership style and work motivation on the performance of an elementary school teacher in the town of Kendari. The data analysis of this research was path analysis. The study samples were 241 primary school teachers and they were taken by using simple random sampling technique. Data were collected by questionnaire and analyzed statistically using path analysis with the program Linear Structural Relations (LISREL). The results of the research showed that : (a) there was a positive direct influence between headmaster leadership style to the performance of primary school teachers in the city of Kendari (b) there was a direct positive influence between work motivation on the performance of primary school teachers in the city of Kendari, and (c) there was a positive direct between headmaster leadership style to the work motivation of primary school teachers in the city of Kendari.

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## 1 Introduction

Education is a conscious effort to prepare students through guidance, teaching, and / or training activities for their future roles. In a similar vein, the quality of education and graduates are often seen depend on the teacher's role in managing the teaching components used in the learning process, which is the responsibility of the school. Accordingly, every school should get organized In terms of management of educational institute to the organizers of education within, toward in gaining good qualities and achieve the goals of national education.

Elementary school is an organization that requires integrated management. Every The organizers of education has their own role's. Teacher as as the implementer of learning activities has an important roles as the main implementer of curriculum for instance, the teacher's responsibility in carrying out learning activities and the creating a conducive and educative

situation. Furthermore, the principal as the activity controller in the school. If good coordination by the principal builds up the achievement of school goals, as well as the goals of the individuals in the school environment as of the simply put the goals of national education will be achieved with good qualities. . Thus, primary school teachers play important roles, both in managing learning activities and in managing administration that can support the success of achieving school goals.

Recognizing the heavy roles and duties carried out by the teacher, the quality of teacher performance is needed. Teacher performance is the teacher's ability to perform an action in accordance with its intended purposes, which includes aspects of planning a learning program, implementation of the learning process, optimal class creation and maintenance, optimal control of learning conditions, and assessment of learning outcomes.

Due to this matter, the ministries of education and culture have made various efforts to improve the quality of national education such as the development of national and local curriculum, teacher competency improvement through training and qualification programs and teacher certification programs and the procurement of textbooks from learning support tools, procurement and repair of facilities and educational infrastructure, improvement of school management, and other supporters. Relative to the maka ministry of education and culture has made various efforts to improve the quality of national education such as curriculum development, national and local, improving the competence of teachers through training and qualification programs and teacher certification programs and the procurement of textbooks of support tools lessons, provision and improvement of educational facilities, improvement of school management, and other supporters.

The implementation of education in schools will go well if it is supported by high teacher performance, eventhough it is realized that there are many components that are related in the learning process, which each component supports each other in order to achieve educational goals both at the education unit level and at the national level.

The performance of teachers in schools have an important role in achieving the goals of the school. Performance is a form of behavior a person or organization with achievement orientation. A form of behavior in question is the activities of teachers in the learning process, that is how a teacher lesson plan, implement learning activities and assess learning outcomes [1]. Meanwhile, according to [2], the performance of teachers is the ability shown by teachers in carrying out his duties. Thus the performance of the teacher is the teacher's perception on the performance of teachers with regard to the quality of work, responsibility, honesty, cooperation and initiative. Performance is said to be good and satisfactory if the objectives are achieved in accordance with established standards.

Factually the teacher's performance is influenced by factors of the teachers themselves such as personality and dedication, professional development, teaching skills, community relations, intelligence, skill and prowess, abilities and interests, experience, satisfaction, talent, motivation, health, and ideals ideal and purpose in work. While external factors are predicted to affect the performance of a teacher among which, the principal's leadership style, family environment, work environment, facilities and infrastructure [2].

The school principal is one of the most important factors deciding reciprocation of the education process in schools. The leadership style is consistently applied behavioral patterns leader through other people is through behavior that is shown when the leader affects others, as

perceived by others. Style is not about how the opinion leaders or principals about their own behavior in the lead but how the perception of others, especially subordinates or teacher about leadership behavior [3].

School leadership to determine the quality, without the good leadership quality improvement process can not be carried out and realized. Primacy effect (influence) the principal's leadership is not merely a form of instruction, but rather a motivation or trigger (trigger) that can give inspiration to teachers and employees, so that the initiative and creativity to develop optimally to improve its performance. The reality in the field of school leadership still shows its performance is not optimal, it indicated among others still lack principals to conduct teacher supervision and the level of satisfaction of the principal's leadership is still low [4].

Teachers are the spearhead that is on the forefront that directly deal with students through learning activities in the classroom or outside the classroom. Teachers are also required to carry out clear throughout his professional functions effectively and efficiently. Neither of the interests of national education and functional tasks of teachers, all of them demanding that education and teaching carried out professionally means implemented in earnest and supported by teachers who have a good performance. Teachers are required to have performance that is able to provide and realize the hopes and wishes of all parties, especially the general public who have placed their trust schools and teachers in fostering students. In general, a good quality of education became the benchmark for the success of the performance of the teachers. Teachers in principle have a high enough potential to be creative in order to improve its performance. But the potential of teachers to be creative in an effort to improve its performance does not always develop naturally and smoothly due to the influence of various factors, both personal teacher who appears in itself and that there is a private outside teachers. A teacher's performance can be influenced by personal relationships, school leadership, motivation, ability to work, skills, working facilities, work ethic and technology. School as an organization, usually the teacher's performance is determined by the principal's leadership style [4].

Further motivation is the psychological factor that is non-intellectual. Typical role is in terms of growing passion, happy and eager to learn and teach. Students and teachers who have strong motivation, will have lots of energy to do learning activities. Hasibuan [5] says that, motivation is the driving force that creates the administration excitement a person's work, so that they would cooperate, to work effectively and Integrate with all its resources to achieve satisfaction. Meanwhile, according to [6], that motivation is the central management, for explaining how people behave and how they do work in the organization. Motivation comes from within (intrinsic) and none from outside (extrinsic). The leader must have a high performing team, to motivate their members to be able to work well, so that organizational goals achieved.

Work motivation can be defined as conditions that affect evoke, directing and maintaining behavior associated with the work environment. The working environment in question is a school, a school as an organization in which there is a number of people who work together in order to achieve the goal. To achieve these objectives the role of human resources involved in it is very important to be moved in the manner intended by the organization. Thus the motivation will be a determining factor for the behavior of people working or we say the behavior is a reflection of the simplest of motivation. As the end result of one act of motivation is to achieve the performance of the organization as a whole.

Due to this matter, the government's efforts to improve the performance of primary school teachers is still low, especially in the city of Kendari, is one important aspect that must be considered. How do we ensure that teachers in primary schools have absolute high performance.

Teachers must have a high motivation to work and have a good professional competence, as well as the principal leaders in the school must try to use a leadership style that can encourage subordinates to optimize its performance. It is important for improving the performance of primary school teacher in the town of Kendari.

Based on the above, it is necessary to conduct a study on the Influence of the principal's leadership style, work motivation of the performance of an elementary school teacher in the town of Kendari.

## **2 The principal's leadership style directly impact positively on the performance of primary school teachers in Kendari**

Based on the results of path coefficient calculation principal's leadership style variables on the performance of primary school teachers was at  $\rho_{y1} = 0.369$ ,  $t = 5.704$ ,  $table = 1,97$  means  $t > t$  table, then  $H_0$  was rejected and  $H_1$  was accepted, it means a significant  $\rho_{y1}$  path coefficients. Thus there was a direct positive influence school leadership style to the performance of an elementary school teacher in the town of Kendari.

This means that the higher the leadership style of the principal, the higher the teacher's performance. This can be used as an indication that the principal's leadership style can be used as a predictor of the performance of elementary school teachers in the city of Kendari City, or in other words that the leadership style of the principal functions as a determinant of the performance of primary school teachers in Kendari city. The effective contribution of the principal's leadership style variable to the performance of primary school teachers in Kendari city was 0.369. In other words, the principal's leadership style contributed to the performance of elementary school teachers in Kendari city.

The leadership style is one factor that can positively influence the performance of teachers. Good leadership style, of course, will inspire teachers to work well. Principals who have high leadership style will be respected by the teachers because it could be an example of teachers in work. Conversely, if the principal has a leadership style that is low, then the teachers tend to underestimate the principal. As a result, the teacher will of course be lazy to demonstrate its performance to the maximum.

The results of this study were supported by the findings of research conducted by [7], that the principal's leadership style had a significant influence on the performance of primary school teachers. The higher the style of leadership of the principal, the higher the performance of a primary teacher ability to manage class. The leadership style is high on the head of the school is one good way to improve the performance of teachers.

The leadership style is an attitude that is chosen by the individual leaders' in his leadership duties. The force used by a leader different from one another depending on the circumstances of his leadership. [8] states that the style of leadership that uses violence affects work productivity improvement only at its beginnings only, so productivity can not be guaranteed. Violence, in fact, it can grow the compulsion to be able to lower labor productivity.

In the context of this study, the principal is a leader in school if in leading the use of force will only reduce the performance of teachers. Teachers will find work under pressure and threats. Thus, the teachers will tend to avoid the principal. This leads to communication between teachers and principals will be uninterrupted or likely to drop out.

Conversely, if the principal implementing a more democratic leadership style will grow a sense of familiarity between leaders and subordinates. Indeed, the leader must be firm, but does not mean authoritarian or even use violence in the lead. Firmly means leaders can be consistent against any decision taken and run it as well as possible. Principals who have a democratic style will tend to be easier to communicate with teachers. Teachers will not feel scared or under pressure when the principal asked her to discuss them. With good communication, principals and teachers will work together well and the teacher will be able to show productivity or maximum performance because it gets a good referral from the principal.

### **3 Work motivation positive direct influence on the performance of primary school teachers in Kendari**

Based on the results of path coefficient calculation motivation to work on the performance of primary school teachers was at  $\rho_{y2} = 0.314$ ,  $t = 5.377$ ,  $t_{table} = 1,97$  means  $t > t_{table}$ , then  $H_0$  was rejected and  $H_1$  was accepted, it means a significant  $\rho_{y2}$  path coefficients. Thus, there was a positive direct influence on the performance of work motivation primary school teacher in Kendari City.

This means that the higher work motivation, the higher the performance of teachers. It can be used as an indication that motivation can be used as a predictor of the performance of an elementary school teacher in the city of Kendari, or in other words that motivation of teachers to work determinant of the performance of an elementary school teacher in the town of Kendari. Effective contribution to the performance of work motivation of primary school teachers in the city of Kendari at 0.314. In other words, work motivation to contribute to the performance of an elementary school teacher in the town of Kendari.

Motivation is the drive to do something. People who are motivated to do something usually do something better than the person who did it had to. In terms of performance, the motivation could be the trigger zeal in improving the performance itself. Motivated people usually want to show that they could be and better than others. People who are motivated are usually afraid of failure. This is what makes people motivated is always the spirit of the show performance.

This is consistent with the results of research [9] about the relationship between work motivation and performance of teachers, that there was a positive and significant effect on the motivation to work on the performance of primary school teachers. The results of the same study found by [10] that there was a positive correlation between work motivation and performance of teachers. Means higher work motivation of teachers, the higher the teacher's performance. In this study revealed that teachers who have high motivation to work tend to do things better than the teachers who have low motivation. Teachers who have a high motivation to work, has a peak performance.

The factors that drive employee motivation aspect is the success, recognition, nature of work is the responsibility of a person, an opportunity for progress and growth. While the factors that stand out are hygiene, company policies, supervision, working conditions, wages and salaries, relationships with colleagues, personal life, relationships with subordinates, status and security. People who are motivated in their work of course want to achieve success performance professional duties and achievements gained recognition from his peers. In addition, people who are motivated to work usually have a high responsibility for its performance. This has spurred the teachers are motivated in their work have a very high performance in the task of his profession as a teacher.

Teachers who avoid failure usually want to get recognition from his friend. So that they are motivated to do the job in hand. To receive recognition, of course, they must show brilliant performance in his duties.

#### **4 The principal's leadership style directly positive effect on work motivation of primary school teachers in Kendari**

Based on the calculation coefficient principal's leadership style track towards the achievement motivation was for  $\rho_{21} = 0.327$ ,  $t = 2.889$ ,  $t_{table} = 1,97$  means  $t > t_{table}$ , then  $H_0$  was rejected and  $H_1$  was accepted, it means a significant  $\rho_{21}$  path coefficients. Thus there was a direct positive influence the principal's leadership style to the work motivation primary school teacher in the town of Kendari.

This means that the higher the leader style principal, the higher the teacher work motivation. It can be used as an indication that the principal's leadership style can be used as predictors of employee motivation primary school teacher in the city of Kendari, or in other words that the principal function of leadership style determinants of work motivation primary school teacher in the town of Kendari. The effective contribution of the principal's leadership style variables on the performance of primary school teachers in the city of Kendari at 0.327. In other words the principal's leadership style contributed to the work motivation primary school teacher in the town of Kendari.

The results are consistent with research conducted [11] that principal leadership style had a significant influence on work motivation of teachers. The higher the principal's leadership style, employee motivation, the higher the teacher. The leadership style is high on the head of the school is one great way to increase the motivation of teachers in primary schools. The same study also found [12] that principal leadership style has a significant influence on work motivation of teachers.

The results of another study conducted [13], found that the principal's leadership style had a significant influence on work motivation of teachers. The higher the principal's leadership style, employee motivation, the higher the teacher. The leadership style is high on the head of the school is one great way to increase the motivation of teachers' work. Effective school leadership will be reflected in its ability to motivate teachers to complete tasks and work, do a good harmonious relationship in the internal school and out of school, be able to apply the principles of leadership in accordance with the maturity level of the teacher, and managed to realize the objectives of the school.

This suggests that in pursuing that teachers have high performance, then efforts should be made by teachers and principals. As a teacher in elementary school, teachers must have a high motivation. Teachers in primary schools need to understand its function as an educator, lecturer and mentor for students so that teachers be responsive, aware of the situation and learning conditions, and understand everything that is desired for students. In addition to understanding its function, teachers need to increase the motivation of the work that has the right attitude towards learning environment, skills, and techniques in teaching. Thus in the face of circumstances that limited school will be a means of supporting the learning process.

## 5 The Concrete Effort To Do

Indeed, an estuary of educational success, a factor, is on a principal's shoulders. As Maintainer of education It is appropriate to have the will and ability in the performance of a school principal in order to have an education in the *enjoyfull learning* process and School personnel are enjoying their onus even more.

Government, especially Education, Youth and Sport Office of Kendari, is making particular policies that concern the principal's leadership style of increasing the motivation for the teacher's work. Concrete actions that can be done are the setting and multiening of leadership practices in order to improve personal competence, managerial, entrepreneurship, supervision, and social skills for headmasters. . In addition, the principal and teachers conducted an internal evaluation to continue to increase work motivation for improving professional competence and performance of elementary school teachers in the town of kendari.

## 6 Conclusions

Based on data analysis and discussion, we conclude several things: (a) There is a positive direct influence on the performance of the leadership style of primary school teachers in Kendari; (b) There is a positive direct influence on the performance of work motivation of primary school teachers in Kendari; (c) There is a positive direct influence on the performance of motivational leadership style work in Kendari.

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