

**Table 1 Demographic characteristics of the students**

<b>Characteristic</b>	<b>No. (%)</b> <b>n = 714</b>
<b>Sex</b>	
Male	400 (56.0)
Female	314 (44.0)
<b>Age, in years</b>	
6–9	178 (24.9)
10–12	229 (32.1)
13–17	307 (43.0)
<b>Nationality</b>	
Omani	657 (92.0)
Not Omani	57 (8.0)
<b>Province of residence</b>	
Al-Buraimi	485 (67.9)
Mahada	173 (24.3)
Al-Sunainah	56 (7.8)
<b>Father's level of education</b>	
Elementary	79 (11.1)
Middle	98 (13.7)
Secondary	306 (42.9)
Higher education	231 (32.4)
<b>Mother's level of education</b>	
Elementary	134 (18.8)
middle	94 (13.2)
Secondary	283 (39.6)
Higher education	203 (28.4)
<b>Family monthly income, Omani rials<sup>a</sup></b>	
< 300	111 (15.5)
300–599	186 (26.1)
600–900	156 (21.8)
> 900	261 (36.6)

<sup>a</sup> 1 United States dollar = 0.38 Omani rials.