

# Friendship Report Card

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The friendship report card is a unique way to have your students or patients evaluate their current or future relationships. It is helpful when trying to complete a peer evaluation or trying to determine the level of involvement with peer related concerns and behaviors. The patient or student chooses the names to be reported, they grade them, and they can see the results of where they fit in and what their friends or peers are involved with. The results are right in front of them. They are in control of the evaluation process. You can help them understand the answers, but the responsibility rests clearly on their knowledge and honesty when answering the questions.

- The friendship report card covers many issues that parents, counselors and peers are concerned about. It can be used in many areas of counseling and school environments. It is a simple, yet effective counseling, advisory, assessment or peer leadership tool.
- After it is scored, the results can be helpful when assessing and evaluating friends in many different areas. It also covers peer pressure and sportsmanship.
- The person completing the friendship report card must be honest when finishing the form. Since the results will be used in when evaluating the results. It is good to have some knowledge of the person completing the form as to determine if they are on target.
- Many different interpretations can be discussed when viewing the results. For comparative results, use the person's score taking assessment as the baseline. "Birds of a feather" results will clearly be seen using this tool. Other patterns to look for are peers with high scores and those with low scores.
- The Friendship Report Card should be used in conjunction with other clinical assessment tools and counseling evaluations. This report card can be viewed as one aspect of an assessment process. The results are discussion starters and not to be used as definitive indicators of who should or should not be friends.
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