Reviewer’s report

Title: Eating Patterns of Turkish Adolescents Compared With Recommendations

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I have some comments about the manuscript as I mentioned substances in below. Predominantly I criticized about methods of the study.

1. How was select the school? For instances: socio-economic level or private/government school or population of school. Istanbul is a big metropolitan city (> 10 million population) etc. Do the participants present whole Istanbul adolescents or Turkey’s?

2. It is necessary the reference of Body Mass Index percentiles. National or International (WHO).

3. Data collection of the study should be more open.

4. How was measured of weight and height? Detailed explanation is also necessary about this.

5. There is need some information about HEPS. Please give some reference studies in which used HEPS.

6. How did you decide 7 items among 21 items to evaluate HEPS?

7. There is no need to evaluate physical activity situation in this study.

8. In my opinion; this study does not evaluate according to food pyramid. If it was used food pyramid, it should be presented recommended food pyramid (11-15 age group) and also defined consumed serving portions by participants.