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Can Mentoring Alleviate Family Disadvantage in Adolescence? A Field Experiment to Improve Labor-Market Prospects
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Main Tables and Figures

The file "AnalysisMentoring.do" uses the main dataset "DataMentoring.dta" to replicate all results in the tables and figures of the paper and the appendix. In Appendix Table A1 and Appendix E, we use two further data sources that are described in the following.

Note that we had to suppress the site and school identifiers for data protection reasons. Thus, Appendix Figure A1 and Appendix Table B1 cannot be replicated.

Appendix Table A1

Appendix Table A1 compares the RYL sample to the PISA 2012 sample. The averages that are used for this comparison can be found in the file "PISA2012_Averages.dta". The file "PISA Data Generation.do" provides the code to construct the data file. For access to the PISA data, please visit https://www.oecd.org/pisa/data/pisa2012database-downloadabledata.htm

Appendix E: Labor-Market Analysis of Linked PIAAC and PIAAC-L Data

The dataset for Appendix E is based on data from the Programme for the International Assessment of Adult Competencies (PIAAC). It combines the German Scientific Use File of the original PIAAC assessment in 2011/2012 with the three German follow-up waves PIAAC-L (PIAAC Longitudinal) conducted in the years 2014, 2015, and 2016.

For access to the German Scientific File, visit
https://www.gesis.org/en/piaac/rdc/data/national-scientific-use-files

For authorization to obtain the PIAAC-L waves, visit
https://www.gesis.org/en/piaac/rdc/data/piaac-longitudinal

Detailed codebooks and further documentation on PIAAC/PIAAC-L are also available through the abovementioned links.

Additional information about the design of the PIAAC study, extensive documentation, and public use files for other participating countries can be found at the OECD website (http://www.oecd.org/site/piaac/publicdataandanalysis.htm).

Note that the analysis in Appendix E is mainly based in PIAAC 2011/2012 and PIAAC-L 2014. We used the additional PIAAC-L waves to impute missing information for some variables.

The data were provided in Stata (.dta) files. The merge of the individual PIAAC/PIAAC-L waves and the generation of variables are described in the file “Appendix E_1 PIAAC Data Generation.do”. The analysis to replicate the tables in Appendix E is described in the file “Appendix E_2 PIAAC Analysis.do”.