

To whom it may concern

I am writing to express my concerns of current TSA and urge for abolishing such system.

Majority of primary schools in Hong Kong are funded by the Hong Kong Government and overseen by the Education Bureau. These schools curriculum to a large extent follows the guidelines set by the Bureau. Students are required to attend internal assessments like quizzes and examinations every year. The Bureau could assess the students' standard through the school internal normal assessments. It seems unnecessary to conduct external assessment on student standard which creates rising pressures to students, parents and teachers.

Hong Kong is famous for its examination-oriented education. Students are trained to be examination machines and aims at high mark throughout their school life. This is not the proper education system. An effective education system allows students to think and explore. Excessive assessments are the boundary for them to learn and grow. Comparing Hong Kong with other western countries esp. Germany, where do we stand? I should emphasize that high score does not mean your life is successful. What I observe that students are too into school examinations and miss out the fun of life.

Students are facing various pressures nowadays from schools, education system and living spaces etc. Everyone knows that some students and parents are suffering from depression and other mental illness. In extreme cases, some even committed to suicide. Do you want this happens again?

All is contradictory to the promotion of 'Happy school life'? Sadly speaking, children from HK government officials are sent to overseas to enjoy a good education system. Why the majority of children studying in

Hong Kong is suffering from the ineffective education system? I am filled with wrath that Mr. Eddie Ng Hak-kim, Secretary for Education, excuses the upcoming Panel on Education meeting at Legco on 29 November due to person reasons. How responsible is the government!

All in all, please abolish the unnecessary TSA in the Hong Kong Education system which ruins the life of students and future Hong Kong.

Regards

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