

Small-class teaching

Good morning, Principal, Teachers, and my fellows. I'm Samantha from 7S. It's my pleasure to share my view on small-class teaching to all of you.

In recent months, issues of small-class teaching have aroused a lot of debate. Some people highly support the notion as it's conducive to the educational development of Hong Kong; while others oppose it, doubting the advantages brought by it. For me, it's essential to practice small-class teaching as both students and teachers are obviously benefitted.

For students, they will be able to follow the lessons more easily, and their learning efficiency will be greatly improved as teachers will have more time and energy to take care of each student, and to know more about their individual personality as well as learning difficulties. It also helps strengthen the relationship between students and teachers since there will be closer contact between the two groups, and students will be more willing to ask questions in class if they encounter uncertainty.

And for teachers, they will be able to save time in routine work like correcting assignments but instead, they will have more time for other duties, such as drawing up better lesson plans. It also helps reduce pressure on teachers from the closure of schools due to the declining birth rate in Hong Kong, as it can absorb a substantial amount of teachers.

Even though small-class teaching may lay a heavy economic burden on Hong Kong's tax payers for its numerous resources, students are the future pillars of Hong Kong and what they contribute to the establishment of a bright future for Hong Kong will pay off for sure.

To cultivate more talents for our future, small-class teaching should be put into practice as soon as possible. Indeed, it has been adopted in many other advanced countries, such as the US and Japan, to name but a few. Small-class teaching is a global trend; Hong Kong should not lag behind the rest of the globe.

That's what I want to share. Thank you for your kind attention and have a nice day.