

Compulsory Drug Test

Good morning, Principal, Vice-Principals, teachers and fellow schoolmates.

Today I would like to share my feelings about the compulsory drug test.

This is the recent concern of all parents, students and other stakeholders in our society. With a rapid increase in drug abuse among teenagers, compulsory drug testing should be launched in order to strike at the heart of drug problems.

The purpose of this policy is good and positive. However it has overlooked students' privacy! On the news, someone claimed that students would lose their privacy because of the drug test. From my point of view, it is unreasonable and unacceptable! The Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data also claimed that this would violate the law of privacy.

Last but not least, I hope that the government can come up with a more suitable and all-rounded approach which respects students' privacy and fights against the drug abuse problem effectively, but not necessarily focusing on teenagers. Thank you.