(Translation)

Prof Hon LAU Chi-pang's motion on "Making Chinese History a compulsory subject at senior secondary level"

Wording of the Motion

That in order to cultivate in secondary school students a sense of belonging to our country, an affection for the Chinese people and a sense of national identity, and enable them to have a deeper and more comprehensive understanding of the development process of the country, this Council urges the authorities to, against the backdrop of optimizing the four senior secondary core subjects to release lesson time, rename Chinese History, which is currently a senior secondary elective subject, as Chinese History, Geography and Culture and make it a compulsory subject, so that secondary school students can understand and explore the development and various facets of Chinese history and examine the interrelationships between culture, geography and history, thereby gaining an in-depth knowledge and understanding of the country, which will in turn cultivate in them the right attitude and perception towards the past and present of the country; this Council also proposes that the authorities should adopt a grading system of 'attained' or 'unattained' for the subject in question to ensure that the learning process and outcomes of the curriculum will meet its learning goals.