INQUIRY INTO HOME SCHOOLING

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To the legislative council of home schooling inquiry

Thave been home schooled from K-12.

I feel that home schooling has provided me with the ability to be me. I can follow my gifts and aspirations without the hindrance and negative input of bullying, teasing, trends and peer pressure. With the encouragement of my parents, family and friends, I follow the gifts God gave me, and because of this, for many years, I learnt classical ballet and tap dancing, both to a high level. I also learnt the piano to a professional standard. I feel that I would not have done all of these things (among others) if I had been in a traditional school system.

My aspirations from here are to earn a B.Mus in piano performance and to work in the classical music industry and music tuition

Over the years, my family and I have seen many home schoolers enter into and complete university degrees with very little or no transitional problems. With several continuing on to masters and doctorate level study, all having secured employment in their fields.

I believe home schooling should be as readily available as public & private education. Parents should have access to funding for their children from K-12. Unlike it is now, where family benefits will cease when the child turns 16.

Respectfully,