PRIVATE SCHOOL EDUCATION

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Education is a process in which a person attains knowledge on a particular area or subject. That is why, it is important in society and the absence of it will lead to illiteracy. Illiteracy in societies are quickly escalating in different parts of the globe. People are in state of choosing whether private school or public school is best suited for attaining education. It is in current debate whether which school is better. Private schools are in the list, these schools are run by non-governmental agencies or private individuals.

Private schools’ greatest disadvantage is its cost. Since it is not funded by the government, those who are in charged are obliged to control the schools’ financial needs and they are accomplishing that through charging the students higher miscellaneous and tuition fees (Sibille, 2016). Also, private schools have limited offers. Compared to public schools, private ones have limited courses and majors for their students (Drinkworth, n.d.). Chen (2015) states that another disadvantage of entering a private school is that, before entering private schools, entrance examinations are required. Incoming students’ intellectual capability are already being tested. Sometimes, non-qualifiers are judged because of their inability to pass the test, and that should not be the case.

On the contrary, there are a lot of benefits when studying in a private school. One of which, it offers academic excellence. According to Kennedy (2016), advance placement courses and international baccalaureate programs are commonly found in private schools. Both advance placement and international baccalaureate programs are all about academic achievement and excellence. Private schools enjoy a reputation for academic excellence. As cited by Heitzbuki (n.d.), a January 2013 “Dayton Daily News” study found that 13 private high schools in the area had better college admissions test scores
than their public-school peers, though the latter systems recorded higher individual averages. Kennedy also said that students will likely be challenged to a higher academic standard.

Furthermore, there is a low teacher-student ratio in private schools. The ratio varies on every private schools. Students of private schools may have more time to spend with their teachers and build good relationships with them. This extra time can also be used by teachers to teach the students for the lessons and materials they do not understand.

Emphasis on discipline also helps in having a higher quality of education. Kennedy (n.d.) explains that discipline have a higher impact when it comes to teaching. Private schools impose zero tolerance when it comes to major behavioral offenses such as cheating, stealing, bullying, and/or substance abuse. Most of the time, these offenses result to immediate expulsions. When there is a control in the students’ discipline, the result would be better than expected. Teachers and instructors will focus more on teaching.

One of the best advantages of studying in private schools is that, it serves as a push towards college. As cited by Kennedy, according to National Education Longitudinal (1988), “Students who had attended private school in 8th grade were twice as likely as those who had attended public school to have completed a bachelor’s or higher degree by their mid-20s (52 versus 26 percent) and far less likely to have had no postsecondary education”.

In the interest of giving students a higher quality of education, choosing private schools is definitely an option. Private schools offer a good environment for high academic achievement, reduced class sizes, increase in child’s exposure to discipline, and a push towards college.
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