

APA is no substitute

AS an old student of the Music Office, I would like to comment on the disbanding of this body.

I disapprove of the transfer of the Music Office's functions to the Academy for Performing Arts (APA), because I don't see how the APA can perform the duties of the Music Office of promoting mass music education.

As everyone knows, the Music Office, for one, offers various instrumental classes at very affordable fees.

Even the location of its district Music Offices are closer to students' homes while that of the APA is not, especially for those living in the New Territories.

I also wonder if the APA can organise music activities such as annual music camps and various music festivals as successfully as the Music Office does? I went to the music camp last year and I will never forget it.

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