



Security Cameras Violate Student's Privacy In Library

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In order to prevent book thefts, the principal wants to install a security system in the library. Some students welcome the idea, but I disagree with it as there are many disadvantages. In the following, I will outline the pros and cons of the new security system.

It has been argued that the security system can collect evidence of criminal offences. Through the security system, the school management can locate the offenders quickly and collect the evidence easily.

Another argument is that the security cameras serve as a deterrent. Students would behave better, since their every act is being recorded. Therefore, students dare not do any stupid things in the library.

On the other hand, I think that the new security system causes some problems. The security system violates students' privacy. As you know, nobody would like to be under surveillance. Since students are not criminals, their freedom should not be taken away!

Second, the use of the security system can be abused. Students may be punished for things other than thefts, such as using mobile phones or destroying public properties. This violates the original idea of installing a security system.

In conclusion, I object to the installation of the security cameras, since it is not the most effective way to prevent thefts. If we want to stop the crime, the best way is education, in which teachers should teach students not to commit any unlawful acts.

Teacher's Feedback : This essay is well-thought and well-organized. However, it will be better if the student can further develop his ideas. (Miss Lai Ming Lei)

Food For Thought : If the security system is not an effective way to prevent book thefts, what is an effective method?