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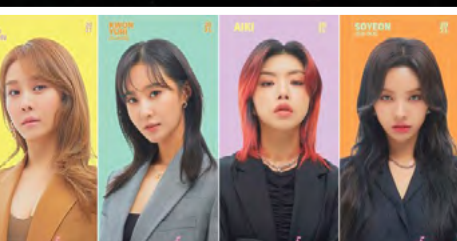
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◇ Philosophy of Education : Well-fitted People of God



◇ Objectives of Education :

Christian leaders, Creative professionals, Autonomous service workers

◇ Purpose of Establishment

The founders established Sungkyul University to provide a strong biblically-based education for church ministry in its various forms.

The University is committed to the Fourfold Gospel: Regeneration, Sanctification, Divine Healing, and the Second Advent of Christ. Holding firm the evangelical faith, it rejects modern liberalism and extreme mysticism of any kind.

Its doctrine remains the same as that of the early Holiness (Sungkyul) Church, namely a scriptural Wesleyan-Arminian Faith.

It continues to provide an education based on the Word of God that prepares men and women for effective ministry in this ever-changing society to the glory of God.

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Opening Speech



President of Sungkyul University
Kim Sang-sik

In the new semester, I would like to say hello to all the students on paper. Most school events and lectures have been conducted online over the past two years due to COVID-19. Not only did the students find it difficult to meet their friends and professors in person, but they also did not enjoy the romance of drinking tea together. Looking at the empty campus and lecture room, as the president I always feel sorry.

The pandemic continues, but fortunately, from this semester, we can have face-to-face lectures and meetings. I was extremely happy to see students wearing graduation gowns and celebrating their graduation with bright faces throughout the school on February 17th, and to see freshmen gathered all over the school for a week from the 21st when the orientation of freshmen took place. The school filled with

students was lively, and now the school seems to be becoming like a normal school again.

However, on the other hand, I feel sorry for the 2nd and 3rd graders who started their college life non-face-to-face, and I am worried that the face-to-face lecture environment may be unfamiliar. Non-face-to-face online education also has advantages. The biggest advantage will be that you can listen to lectures at a comfortable time and place because you are not asked for time and space. However, one-way lectures alone cannot improve the creative problem-solving skills required in modern society. And as the efficiency of collaboration and collective intelligence is emerging, we should meet in person as much as possible and actively share our thoughts. Therefore, I plan to actively encourage face-to-face lectures and school activities in the future. I hope all school members will try to return to the face-to-face educational environment this semester.

It is an urgent situation where we cannot gauge how our lives will change through the pandemic. It is also unclear what role universities will play in this era of great transformation. However, if we are not prepared for the future, we will be left behind by the current chaos. One thing is clear: all of our Sungkyul

University students must have a successful school life under any circumstance. As president, I will work with the faculty to improve the abilities of Sungkyul University students to the maximum so that they can personally succeed and live a satisfactory college life.

To this end, the 2nd anniversary university innovation support project, which will begin this year, will focus on undergraduate-based specialized projects. The curriculum of each department will be reviewed in depth to improve it, and creative convergence education and customized education for students will be realized by developing tracks centered on departments and colleges. We ask all members of the school to do their best with one mind so that we can proceed with these plans without a disruption.

The weather is still cold and the coronavirus pandemic has not ended, so I doubt that the peaceful and colorful spring day that we used to enjoy together will come again. However, soon you will be able to see cherry blossoms in full bloom far away from the main gate of the school. In the name of the Lord, I bless you in the first semester of 2022 when you enjoy the peace that God gives you, which is different from what the world gives you without anxiety and fear.

Results of Sungkyul University's 2021 Basic Competency Diagnosis Selection of General Financial Support Universities

Sungkyul University (President Kim Sang-sik) was selected as a highest-grade general financial support university in the 2021 Basic Competency Diagnosis Final Results announced by the Ministry of Education and the Korea Education Development Institute on September 3. A general financial support university is a university that can receive both general finance and special purpose finance, national scholarships, and student loans.

The basic competency diagnosis is the highest-level comprehensive evaluation of universities every three years to diagnose the appropriate size and quality of education. ▲results of development plan ▲educational conditions ▲accountability for university operation ▲ curriculum management ▲student support ▲educational performance.

Sungkyul University was selected as a highest-grade autonomous improvement university for the second-year college basic competency diagnosis in 2018, and was selected as a highest-grade general financial support university for the third-year college basic competency diagnosis in 2021.

As a result, it will be possible to use project expenses in various fields such as education, research, industry, and academia for three years from 2022 to 2024, and provide direct financial benefits such as national scholarships and student loans to freshmen and enrolled students.

President Kim Sang-sik said, "This is the result of all members of the university working hard for university development and innovation over the past three years," adding, "We will continue to promote educational innovation in line with the 4th industrial era through new vision and mid- to long-term development plans."

In addition, Han Kyung-soo, Chairman of the Preparatory Committee for the Basic Capabilities Diagnosis of University said, "We are not complacent with the results of this evaluation and will continue to improve the quality of education and provide quality education, research, and administrative services to university members."

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Sungkyul University Community Cooperation Group Wins 'The 10th Korea Education Donation Award'

On December 19, Sungkyul University (School President Kim Sang-sik) announced that the Community Cooperation Group was selected as the winner of 'The 10th Korea Education Donation Award' organized by the Ministry of Education and the Korea Foundation for Science and Creativity.

In December 2018, the Community Cooperation Group was selected by the Ministry of Education as "certification authority for educational donation career experience institution", and they are providing introductions of majors at Sungkyul University and career experiences to nearby (metropolitan council) elementary, middle, and high school students.

In addition, experts from seven nearby cities (Anyang, Gwacheon, Gwangmyeong, Gunpo, Uiwang, Osan and Siheung) were appointed as consultants, they reviewed the plans for educational donations together and conducted educational donations and career experiences that are necessary for the community. In 2019, they were selected as an "excellent group for educational donations."

Furthermore, the Community Cooperation Group contributed to the development of local education by educational donation activities by establishing a community edu-



▲Photo of educational donation activities

cation donation group to operate future career experiences for the 4th industry, support elementary school students for vulnerable groups in the community (low-income, single parents, multicultural families, etc.), and coffee barista curriculum for employment and capacity building for the disabled. Over the past three years (2019-2021), nearly 7,000 people have benefited.

Kim Gye-dong, head of the Community Cooperation Group, said, "We will actively work for vulnerable youth to assist in educational

welfare with learning and growth along with narrowing the educational gap with general students such as career education for elementary, middle, and high school students in the local community through learning programs that utilize the capabilities of the educational infrastructure possessed by schools, integrated learning support between experiences and subjects."

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Beautiful Flowers, Meaningful Flower Language



People present flowers on special days or when they want to express their feelings to special people. Like giving carnations on Parents' Day and red roses to loved ones. Flowers are meaningful gifts in themselves, but if the flower language is added, they can be imprinted on the recipient's mind. The floral languages that I will introduce now are not representative of anniversaries like carnations and roses. But that's why it can be remembered more.

Tiger flowers have colorful black patterns on a red background. It reminds us of the skin of a tiger, Korea's representative animal. Being characterized by failure to bear fruit, it is also called "Chamnari" in Korean, and its origin is North America. The flower meaning of the tiger flower, which blooms from June to August and is also the birth flower of people born on September 1st, the birth flower of BTS member

Jung-kook, which became a hot topic among fans, is "love me".

Mint is a flower that is widely used in toothpaste due to its unique refreshing scent, and is called "Peppermint" in the Korean name. Mint has the effect of improving respiratory diseases and digestive system defects. It is known as a flower with very strong survival power because the more you crush it, the stronger the cool scent becomes. The same is true of Spear Mint and Peppermint, which we are familiar with. Mint, which goes well with sweet taste, blooms between July and September. These are growing all over the world. Mint, the birth flower of people born on March 16, means "I want to love you again."

Marsh marigold is a summer flower that gives a strong yellow impression. They like strong sunlight, and as Korean name suggests, they generally have names reminiscent of gold, such as golden flowers,

golden pine flowers, scarlet flowers, and golden chrysanthemums. It is native to Asia. Marsh Marigold's flower language, which blooms for a long time from spring to autumn and is also the birth flower of people born on January 30, is "happiness that must come." Marsh Mary Gold, which contains the meaning of a hopeful future, has many accessories with flowers and flower language on the market as rings and necklaces.

There are times in life when we want to impress someone. The "someone" must be someone we love or someone we want to be loved by. Sometimes, rather than a hundred words, why don't you give them flowers with beautiful flower language? Let's stop by a flower shop on our way home today. The happiness that will surely come may await you today.

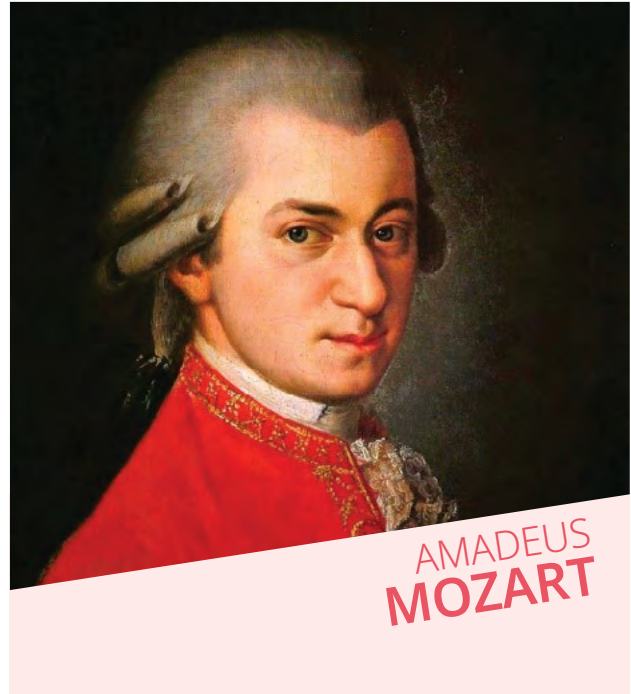
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Mozart **vs** Salieri in <Amadeus>

The 1984 film <Amadeus> is a film about the life of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791) viewed by Antonio Salieri (1750-1825), who was considered Mozart's rival of the century. The film begins when Salieri, a court musician of the Vienna royal family in the 18th century, meets Mozart, a rising genius musician, and visits to confirm his genius. However, Salieri is disappointed and shocked by Mozart's extravagant, arrogant behavior and appearance. And envies him and even prays to curse God. Then, he gradually drove Mozart to death and pressured him, and Mozart, who was suffering from illness, eventually dies. Salieri suffers from guilt for this and confesses his guilt later on, ending the movie.

As discussed in <Amadeus>, the claim that Salieri killed Mozart is actually a very old story. It is even a rumor that has been circulating since Salieri was alive. Mozart died suddenly at the age of 35, and the cause of death has not been determined exactly. Thus, it has been rumored since then. The claim that Salieri hated and poisoned Mozart was first addressed in a play called <Mozart and Salieri> written in 1830, six years after Mozart's death by Russian literary man Aleksandr Pushkin(1799~1837). Nikolay Andreyevich Rimsky-Korsakov(1844~1908) then composed the opera <Mozart et Salieri> based on the play in 1898. In the 20th century, the story of Salieri's poisoning became widely known to the public as Peter

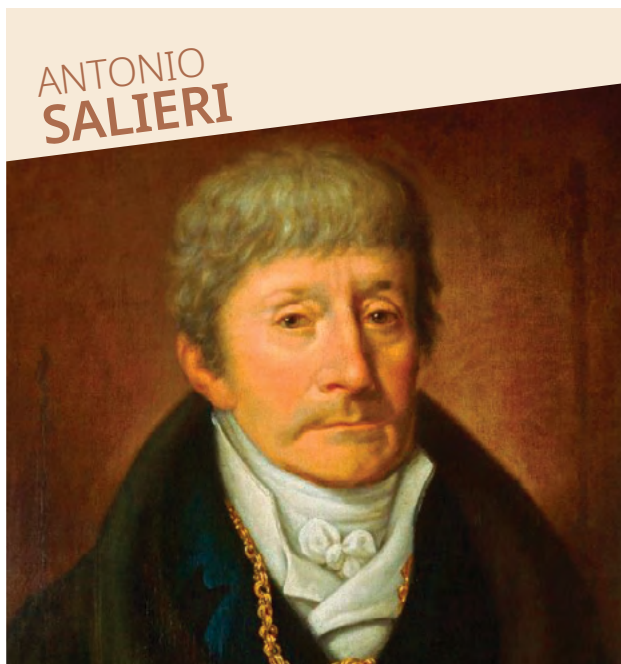


Shaffer(1926~2016)'s play <Amadeus>(1979) and a movie based on this play became widely known.

So, is this rumor true? Many people think this actually happened because it is such a famous theory. However, this is only a rumor, not a fact. In 1823, Beethoven's disciple, Ignatz Moseles, visited Salieri, who was struggling with a disease, and asked him directly. Salieri is said to have denied it. There is also a record that Mozart's wife, Constance, sent her younger son Franz Xaver Wolfgang Mozart (1791-1844) to Salieri to educate him as a musician after her husband died.

It is true that Mozart and Salieri were not on good terms. As rivals, they took away each other's opportunities to teach high-ranking people and kept each other in check. However, shortly after his appointment as a court capellmeister in 1788, Salieri did not perform his opera, but instead staged Mozart's <Marriage of Figaro>. In addition, in 1790, when Leopold II was appointed, he directly conducted Mozart's Mass. Mozart and Salieri went on to compose Cantata <The Recovery of Ophelia> jointly. In this way, the two later developed into a close relationship and relied on each other as colleagues.

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Changes in fashion with the times

Fashion, which changes every day, is the most sensitive to trends among the numerous fields close to our lives. Accordingly, fashion reflects the trend of that era well, and we can see the situations of that era by looking at the fashion of a specific era. Now, let's take a look at the changes in fashion over time.

In the early 1950s, the Korean War led to the entry of U.S. soldiers into our country, and they dyed their uniforms black, changed the bottoms of their uniforms, overturned old clothes, coats made of U.S. military blankets, velvet suits, and Western suits. Throughout the war, he began to prefer tough clothes that could be worn for a long time and began to make and wear fabrics with nylon parachutes from the U.S. military. In the 1950s, blouses made of parachutes were popular. In 1954, Taechang Spinning produced its own nylon, which was made of dress shirts, underwear, and socks. The spread of nylon at this time served as an opportunity to revitalize the textile industry. In 1956, the costumes of the movie's main character became the object of envy, and hanbok and dress



made of non-road fabric became popular. In addition, at this time, Mrs. Norano held the first fashion show in Korea and became an event to promote the flowering of modern Korean fashion. In addition, in the mid-1950s, Audrey Hepburn's style was popular under the influence of the movie "Roman Holiday." Flare skirts, shortcuts, and tight mambo pants were loved by women. However, since 1959, loose dresses have become popular due to the reaction. In 1961, reconstruction clothes were popular due to the "clothes simplification movement," and they were reduced to ritual clothes due to the inconvenience of hanbok. In the mid-1960s, the so-called "Fukashi Hair" became popular under the influence of the films "Bare-foot Youth" and "New Mother," and leather jackets be-



came popular. In 1967, Yoon Bok-hee made miniskirts popular. Then, in 1973, he began to crack down on miniskirts and long hair. In addition, the "Misdemeanor Punishment Act" came into effect to punish the act of wearing the costumes. It was made possible to wear plain clothes once a week in 1982 for the purpose of ignoring the individuality and autonomy of each student and to clean up the remnants of Japanese imperialism, and in 1983, school uniform autonomy was implemented so that there was no need to wear school uniforms. As a result, students' fashion has developed rapidly. In the mid-1980s, many people began wearing sportswear in their daily lives under the influence of the 86 Asian Games and the 88 Seoul Olympics. In 1993, with the conclusion of the Uruguay Round negotiations, the popularization of luxury goods began.

In the early and mid-1990s, first-generation idols "Seo Taiji and Boys" debuted, and the clothes they wore became popular. The "Seo Taiji and Boys" style and retro style were popular. In the late 1990s, as Dongdaemun Fashion Town was activated, the mid-to low-priced clothing market grew. Maximilian fashion emerged as the new millennium began in the 2000s. This is what we call the Dark Ages of Korean Fashion. In 2002, due to the Korea-Japan World Cup, red clothes, and soccer uniforms, which are the color of cheering clothes, became popular. Since the mid-2000s, with the development of the Internet, online clothing purchases have become common, overseas trends are easily accessible, and the trends are reflected in Korea in real-time.

All fashion contains social change. What is your fashion style like? If you open your closet and take out your old clothes, you will see the social characteristics of those days. Why don't you take a trip down memory lane?

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MBC's Ambitious Program, "My Teenage girls"

Now that numerous audition programs are booming, MBC has an ambitious idol audition program. MBC's ambitious program, 'My Teenage girls' is an audition program for mbc, which has aired every Sunday for about three months from November 28, 2021, with Aiki, Yuri, Ok Joo-hyun, and Jeon So-yeon as homeroom teachers, while trainers are Aiki, Ryu Jae-joon, Young-ji, Lisa, and Hanhae.

Another reason why 'My Teenage girls' has become a hot topic is that it is different from existing audition programs. The biggest difference is that it is aimed at the general public and operated on a school year basis. In addition, before the broadcast, through an activity called "Before School Hesitation," we learn about the participants before the broadcast. Dr. Oh Eun-young became a mother and took charge of mental care of the participants in the "Before School Hesitation" activity, which was well received, saying it was a warm and caring system.

'My Teenage girls' has a total of 12 episodes, and participants compete by dividing into mid-term exams for the first semester, final exams for the first semester, mid-term exams for the second semester, semi-final and final according to the name of the program. The first to third episodes dealt with participants' entrance exams. Here, a total of 64 students, 16 out of 83 students, passed each grade, but 6 students were eliminated from each grade



in the fourth episode, and 40 passed. A total of 21 people advanced to the semi-final as 24 people were eliminated in the 4th, 2 people in the 5th, 2 people in the 6th, 6 people in the 8th, and 9 people in the 9th. In the 11th episode, 7 people were eliminated, 14 people made it to the final, and in the 12th episode, 7 people were eliminated, leaving the final 7 people.

The name of the debut group of My teenage girls, which ended after a three-month long journey, is CLASS:y. Kim Sun-yu and Park Bo-eun in the first grade, Kim Ri-won and Won Ji-min in the second grade, and Myung Hyung-seo, Yoon Chae-won, and Hong Hye-joo in the fourth grade made their final debut. Unfortunately, none of the third graders made it to the debut group. Two days after its formation, CLASS:y performed a total of five music broadcasts with the song 'Surprise', a special stage song, and then started it to preparations for their debut.

Although the ratings of the first episode were the highest and the ratings remained in the 1% range due to various criticisms and controversies, My Teenage girls was excellent in terms of popularity. In addition, it is estimated that many viewers watched it through online channels such as Naver Now and YouTube. For this reason, it is estimated that the viewer rating was relatively much lower than that of high topic.

Before the broadcast, My Teenage girls was recognized as the warmest and most thoughtful audition programs so far, but many viewers said that it was cruel as the episodes progressed. This cruelty played a part in the program's topic, but as a result, it brought criticism. As it is an audition program, criticism cannot be avoided, but in order to reduce criticism, it is necessary to prepare properly and produce the program.

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Everything About the 2022 20th Presidential Election



On March 9, an election was held from 6 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. to elect a new president of the Republic of Korea. Unlike the last presidential election, additional votes from COVID-19 Confirmed and Isolated patients were held for an hour and a half from 6 p.m., when the general public's vote ended in the aftermath. The turnout of pre-voting for the 20th presidential election, which was held for two days on March 4 and 5, was 36.9%, the highest ever, and the total turnout for the presidential election was 77.1%. Of the total 44,197,692 registered voters, 34,067,853 people participated and voted.

During the election, several broadcasting companies using new technologies such as Metaverse and AI drew attention for ballot counting broadcast. Each broadcasting company in-

troduced an AI system that predicts the winner according to the vote rate and the counting rate, and attracted viewers' attention by using videos using metaverse and 3D modeling. In addition, broadcasts were simultaneously transmitted not only to TV but also to platforms such as YouTube.

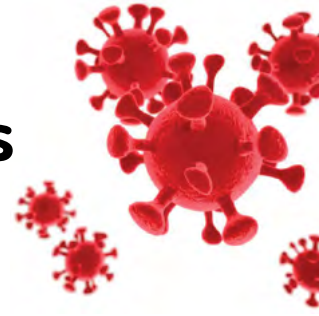
After a neck-and-neck race, candidate Yoon, was elected as the next president. Candidate Yoon was elected by the lowest percentage of votes in the history of presidential elections, only 0.73%, 247,077 votes more than the opposing candidate Lee. The number of invalid votes counted was 307,542 votes, which was more than twice as high as the 19th presidential election (135,733 votes) and the 18th presidential election (126,838 votes).

In the past, around midnight on

the day of the election, the outline of a candidate who is likely to win the election came out, but this time it was different. It took until 12:32 a.m. until the so-called "golden cross" appeared and candidate Yoon was declared the winner. The counting began at 8 o'clock after the voting for confirmed COVID patients ended, and the counting was delayed due to disputes over illegal voting in some parts of the region. In the end, the vote counting was completed around 6 a.m. the next day, recording about twice the average time of the ballot count of presidential election, 5 hours and 16 minutes.

The term of office of the elected 20th president will be from May 10, 22nd to May 9, 27th.

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Increase in Private Education Costs Due to Prolonged Corona 19

With the spread of Corona 19, there are many days that students cannot go to school. However, due to the prolonged period of Corona 19, the cost of private education for students reached an all-time high. It is analyzed that the demand for private education has soared due to the lack of normal classes in schools due to Corona19, but the problem is that private education expenditure varies greatly depending on income.

According to the results of the 2021 Private Education Expense Survey released by the Ministry of Education and the National Statistical Office, the total cost of private education for elementary, middle and high school students nationwide was 23.4 trillion won last year. It exceeded the previous high of 21.6 trillion won in 2009, the highest ever. In addition, compared to 2019, it was revealed that it surged 11.5% above the level before Corona 19. The participation rate in private education was 75.5 percent, and it was found that more than three out of four students received private education. In 2020, which was the first year of Corona 19, the participation rate of private education decreased to 67.1 percent as face-to-face classes were restricted, but it increased 8.4% in a year, up 0.8% from 2019, and recovered to pre-Corona 19 levels. The Ministry of Education explained that unlike the first year of Corona 19, vaccination started and face-to-face activities increased to the extent allowed, and participation and spending in private education rebounded.

The average monthly private education cost per student also reached a record high, but for elementary school students, it increased nearly 40 percent in a year. The average monthly private education expenses for each student, including those without private education, was 367,000 won, and private education expenses were 485,000 won, up 21.5% and 8.0% respectively from the previous year. In particular, the lower class had the largest increase. Last year, the average monthly private education cost of all elementary school students was 328,000 won, up 39.4% from the previous year. Private education costs for middle and high school students continued to increase even in Corona 19, but middle school students increased 14.6% from the previous year to 392,000 won and high school students increased 6% to 419,000 won.

In terms of private education, the average monthly private education fee for high school students was 649,000 won last year, 535,000 won for middle school students and 400,000 won for elementary school students.

Spending on private education has expanded up to five times according to household income. The average monthly private education expenses for households with an average monthly income of more than 8 million won were 593,000 won and 116,000 won for households with an income of less than 2 million won, a survey showed. The private education participation rate was 86 percent for households with more than 8 million won, while 46.6 percent for households with less than 2 million won, a 39.4 percent difference depending on income. Although there was a gap in private education expenditure depending on the size of the region, the average monthly private education expenditure in the metropolitan area was 426,000 won and 329,000 won outside the metropolitan area was 1.3 times the cost of private education. Among the 17 cities and provinces, Seoul City spent the most money on private education, averaging 529,000 won per student per month. On the other hand, Jeollanam-do, where private education costs are the lowest, has more than doubled the difference between the two regions at 233,000 won and 233,000 won. The average monthly private education cost in Seoul is 649,000 won, followed by 470,000 won in metropolitan cities and small and medium-sized cities, and 367,000 won in eup-my-eon.

The Education Safety Information Director of the Ministry of Education said, "In the Corona 19 situation, parents are worried about the lack of learning due to the inability of students to go to school normally for two years." The Ministry of Education plans to normalize school administration as much as possible through face-to-face classes. It also plans to normalize after-school schools and run care classes until seven o'clock in the evening. In addition, 2.24 million students will be provided with supplementary curriculum and university tutoring, and an online customized learning system based on artificial intelligence will be expanded.

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War between Russia and Ukraine



The war that started with Russia's invasion of Ukraine has caused a stir around the world. On February 24, I heard incredible news of a war, and it has already been a month. Russia's invasion of Ukraine was accompanied by an emergency speech by Russian President Vladimir Putin that he would carry out special military operations in Ukraine.

The most superficial reason for Russia's war is Ukraine's attempt to join NATO, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. Ukraine's accession to NATO, which borders Russia, means that U.S. and European weapons could enter the denuclearized Ukraine. This poses a direct security threat to Russia's western border.

War in the 21st century is different from the past. The most surprising and unfamiliar part is the fact that people around the world are watching this disastrous war almost in real time, but it has not ended. A few days ago, Russian President Vladimir Putin made a speech appealing for the legitimacy of the war. The video also showed Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky vowing to fight a decisive battle.

On the news of the Russian bombing of Irpin, a city near the capital city of Kyiv, I heard screaming for the loss of his wife and children. In Kyiv, there was news of a mother who protected a six-week-old baby by shielding the baby from glass debris poured out in the midnight bombardment. Even the imagery of a boy on the way to refuge with tears in his eyes, parents and medical staff sobbing in front of a cold dead baby after being hit by debris are shown of the bare face of the war every day. Many people are suffering together, helping each other, and showing humanity. At the same time, however, the insensitivity of the people while watching the face of war

makes people skeptical about the existence of humanity in the public.

U.S. President Biden said in a speech to the public on March 8th, "We will provide Ukraine with weapons to defend and fight for themselves," adding, "We will support their fight for freedom and democracy." President Biden went on to say, "The world is united in its support for Ukraine and its determination to make Putin pay a very high price," adding, "We will damage and sanction Putin's economy." Attention is focusing on the direction of international sanctions on Russia in the future.

The U.N. Human Rights Office said that as of midnight on the 22nd, at least 953 civilians, including 78 children, were confirmed dead in Ukraine. During the same period, 1557 civilians were injured, including 105 children. However, the Human Rights Office estimates that the actual number of casualties is much higher. The U.N. refugee agency says about 3.56 million people have fled Ukraine. U.N. Secretary-General Antonio Guterres held a press conference and said, "It is time to stop fighting and give peace a chance," adding, "It is causing global hunger as food, energy, and fertilizer prices soar in the aftermath of the war and developing countries groaning due to the COVID-19 pandemic are suffering more." He also appealed for an immediate halt, saying that the Russian invasion has become an absurd war that is unacceptable in moral, political and military aspects.

Who will endure the disastrous consequences of this forced war? The more the war continues, the greater the suffering of the citizens. I hope that peace will be restored as soon as possible.

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The First International Agreement to Regulate Plastic Consumption

Korea and other U.N. member states agreed on the need for global plastic management and plan to draw up an international agreement based on the need. The South Korean government announced on the 3rd that it made the decision at the 5th United Nations General Assembly in Nairobi, Kenya, on the 2nd. The UN Environment General Assembly, which is attended by all UN member states, is the highest-level environmental conference to discuss the UNEP project and major environmental issues. The conference was held during Corona 19, divided into two non-face-to-face meetings last year and this year. About 2,000 people, including government delegations from 163 member countries, international organizations and stakeholders, participated under the theme of "Achieving Sustainable Development Goals by Strengthening Action for Nature." For the first time, the General Assembly officially discussed a legally binding international agreement on plastic pollution. The member states decided to form an "intergovernmental negotiating committee" through the resolution and draw up an international agreement to prevent plastic pollution.

Many resolutions on marine plastic waste have been drawn up at the UNEP level, but this time, it is meaningful to agree on a binding agreement focusing not only on the ocean but also on the periodic management of plastics. In addition, 14 resolutions were adopted, including natural-based solutions, chemical and waste management, and a ministerial declaration led by Norway to strengthen multilateral cooperation to cope with climate change, biodiversity loss and environmental pollution. A South Korean government delegation headed by Environment Minister Han Jung-ae introduced Korea's policy efforts to deal with plastic pollution and stressed the need for global environmental discussions at the UN level. Prime Minister Kim Bu-kyum urged the U.N. to coop-

erate with the world in order to prevent plastic pollution in the sea without borders at a summit hosted by France on the 11th of last month. Minister Han also urged international solidarity to deal with plastic pollution and supported the creation of an international agreement on plastic pollution through his remarks at the general meeting and ministerial leadership talks. At the 4th Environment Minister Forum held in October last year, he said he strengthened his will to strengthen regional cooperation by confirming environmental priorities such as plastic pollution response, green recovery and carbon neutrality. Representatives, international organizations and stakeholders at the conference said, "Although there were wide differences in the scope of international agreements, key factors, and future procedures, the resolution was a turning point."

The member countries plan to form an intergovernmental negotiating committee and continue negotiations within this year with the goal of completing the 24-year plan. Through this, the international community is expected to begin discussions on international plastic agreements in earnest plastic. Minister Han said, "We will actively participate in the intergovernmental negotiating committee to reflect our position on key issues such as promoting a circular economy, reducing greenhouse gases, and drawing up a national action plan including sustainable consumption and production." In addition, a special session will be held for two days from the same day to mark the 50th anniversary of the establishment of the UNEP. Han will express his appreciation for the efforts of the UNEP over the past 50 years and emphasize the need to strengthen cooperation among U.N. agencies, such as the Green Economic Transition Partnership Project.

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Food Crisis Do To the War

The "global food crisis" caused by the war in Ukraine is revealing itself. This is because Russia and Ukraine are major grain exporters in the granaries, and fertilizer production is also being hit by a decrease in Russian natural gas exports. Natural gas is essential to make nitrogen-based fertilizers such as urea fertilizers. As a result, prices of not only wheat but also corn, soybeans, and vegetable oils are soaring one after another.

If the Russia-Ukraine war continues for a long time and oil prices will continue to rise, and the possibility of a food crisis that the world cannot afford is high. The U.N. has already warned that global food prices will rise by 22 percent as Russia's invasion of Ukraine has led to a sharp drop in food trade and reduced supply. According to a report by the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the war between Russia and Ukraine, which accounts for 30% of the world's wheat trade, has a huge impact on the

global food supply chain and is expected to continue for a considerable period of time. In the case of wheat, it is the highest in 14 years since the 2008 World Food Crisis.

CNN also reported, "The world is heading toward a food crisis, and millions of people will be hit in the future." CNN also quoted experts as saying, "The price of consumption fees is currently close to \$1,000 per ton, nearly quadrupling from the beginning of the year." Countries around the world are concerned about the global food crisis and are struggling to come up with countermeasures.

There have also been reports that China is hoarding U.S. corn and soybeans. This situation is more fatal to countries like Korea that are highly dependent on imports for food. Korea's grain self-sufficiency rate is around 20%. The self-sufficiency rate of wheat and corn is less than 1%.

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The Juvenile Law Which is Re-Examined by Netflix's 'Juvenile Justice'

While Netflix's Korean dramas continue to be successful, a legal drama 'Juvenile Justice' on the theme of the Juvenile Act and the Criminal Underage System has been released. 'Juvenile Justice' consists of a total of 10 episodes and are adapted from actual cases related to juvenile crime. The 'Juvenile Justice' was so successful that it topped the charts two days after its release in the non-English category. This is a great record considering that it is a heavy drama, unlike previous box office Korean dramas, which had high expectations with bold investments and brilliant CGs. The drama mainly features Kim Hye-soo, Kim Moo-yeol, Lee Sung-min, and Lee Jung-eun, and they played Shim Eun-seok, Cha Tae-joo, Gangwon-jung, and Na Geun-hee, respectively.

The Juvenile justice is a human court office play that tells the story of Shim Eun-seok, a judge who hates juvenile offenders, being newly appointed to the Juvenile Department of the District Court. In this drama, the characters of the juvenile offenders are openly revealed, but they also take a three-dimensional approach to why they had to reach this point. The motive for the crime is fully revealed, but that does not insist that a compassionate disposition should be given to them. In other words, it was well received for clarifying that no matter what the circumstances are, if a crime is committed, it is a 'criminal' and that no matter if the culprit is a teenager, appropriate punishment is needed.

With the success of the juvenile justice, each country became interested in the juvenile law. Juvenile law varies from country to country, but most have something in common; the death penalty is prohibited for minors. The Juvenile Act is a law that grants a special status for a suspect in an antisocial environment for the purpose of correcting rather than punishment. It is true that these juvenile laws are weaker than adults.

The Juvenile Act is always the subject of controversy, and there are divided opinions for and against the abolition. The biggest argument of those who oppose the juvenile law is that it can be abused like an episode in



the juvenile justice. For example, there are cases in which even if adolescents commit violent crimes, punishment is minor with the help of the Juvenile Act, so that crimes committed by adults are imposed on adolescents or given a certain price and surrendered instead.

This is because those in favor of the Juvenile Act think that adolescents have lower judgment ability and are more likely to be edified than general adults. For a simple example, considering that mentally disabled people are not punished the same as ordinary people considering that they have low judgment ability when committing a crime, adolescents should be given leniency because their judgment ability is different. How should we look at the Juvenile Law?

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History of election



Do you know the importance of elections? The reason why the election is important is that only when a good representative is elected through an election can the representative collect people's opinions and decide and handle important things in the region properly, thereby further developing the region. How has such an important election developed so far?

In Athens, Greece, which is called the origin of democracy, representatives were chosen by lot. In the 4th and 5th centuries BC, Athens' political and social organizations consisted of four parts: the Civil Assembly, the Council of 500 people, the People's Court, and administrative positions. Among them, the Civil Assembly was responsible for voting on bills and electing high-ranking government officials, all of which were organized as volunteers. Among the people gathered at the Civil Assembly,



a 500-member council was formed by lot, and they wrote bills, managed administrative positions, and carried out diplomatic tasks. It is like the current legislative role. The people's court, which corresponds to the judiciary, also selected 6,000 citizens by lot. They were in charge of the day's trial. The role was like the current jury system. The administrative positions consisted of about 600 public officials selected by lot and 100 high-ranking public officials selected by the National Assembly. They were in charge of actual administrative affairs like the current administration. Among the administrative positions, candidates for experts suitable for the military and financial sectors were elected through an election. In Athens, the term of office allocated to those elected by lot was only one year, and those who sat there rarely served a term. For this reason, citizens had to give up their seats at all levels and inherit them. In other words, they tried to realize equality

by allowing as many citizens as possible to participate in the nation's livelihood. It means that drawing lots was not a primitive election system, but a suitable system to realize the spirit of democracy. The current form of voting, which is carried out by ordinary elections, became widespread with the birth of the Republic after the French Revolution in the 18th century. The French Revolution destroyed the monarchy and declared that all power came from the people. It was believed that the most effective way to reflect the will of the people was one vote per person. The method of selecting candidates, campaigning, and throwing paper indicating the names of candidates at polling stations has been widely used for a long time and is still the most widely used. However, it is not a long time ago that a "normal election" has been established, in which anyone can vote the same after a certain age. Many countries, including France and the United States, were initially granted limited voting rights. And many people risked their lives to win the right to an equal vote. Many countries in the United States and Europe initially granted voting rights only to white adult men with certain wealth. In the United States, where only white men over 21 years of age could vote, it was not until 1870 that black men could vote, and 50 years later in 1920 that women had the right to vote through the 19th Amendment. To gain suffrage, American women struggled in front of the White House, chaining themselves, and many were imprisoned. The British women's suffrage movement has been organized since the 1860s. Britain's right to vote and to be elected was granted only to the landlords, but in 1832, many middle-class people, including voters in urban districts expanded by the Industrial Revolution, took suffrage. The decisive opportunity for women to gain suffrage was the death of Emily Wilding Davidson at the racetrack. This incident made many women angry and eventually institutionalized the 1928 general election.

The right to vote that we now take for granted was created by the efforts of many people. A lot of things are like that. Democracy, the right to vote, and peaceful daily life. Remember that there was always someone's effort behind the things that were obvious to us.

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No Touch Gold Medal

At the 2022 Beijing Winter Olympics, China became the 2000m mixed relay champion in short track speed skating and earned a unique nickname; the "No-Touch Gold Medal."

China, which had been considered a favorite to win even before the opening of the tournament, struggled unexpectedly in the semifinals held at Xuudu Indoor Stadium in Beijing, China. Going up against Hungary, the U.S., and Russia, which were classified as relatively weak, China failed to take the lead throughout the race. Finally, they crossed the finish line in fourth place.

However, after about 10 minutes of video reading immediately after the game, a twist came out. The U.S. and Russian teams, which finished in second and third after Hungary, were disqualified after receiving penalties for "interrupting the opponent." All the players who were considered "interrupted" by the U.S. and Russian teams were the Chinese teams. The Chinese audience, who had been disappointed until then, cheered.

The problem is that the referees did not take issue with this even after confirming that no touch was made between Chinese players during the reading process. In the fifth of the 18 laps, Runzway, a Chinese skater, moved forward without a touch from the leading skater, Zhang Witing. He mistook physical contact with Russian players

for Jang Witting's touch.

In this case, the leading skater is supposed to skate halfway and touch the next player. Otherwise, they usually are disqualified and receive a "DNF-(Did Not Finish)." China, the host of this winter's Olympics, was an exception this time. The judges interpreted China's not-touch as an inevitable situation due to the interference of the opposing Russian player.

Ice experts all expressed their doubts, saying, "This is unprecedented." It was compared to the equivalent of a relay runner running without a baton in a track and field relay race. Mame Bains, the U.S. women's short track speed skating team, criticized the referee's decision indirectly, saying, "It was a very interesting decision." KBS commentator Lee Jung-soo explained, "Even in an exceptional situation where the opponent's career interference inevitably prevented him from touching, it is common sense to let him touch half way around the track."

China, which advanced to the final, won the gold medal by a narrow margin against Italy in the final. Again, thanks to the fall of Canadian and Hungarian players, who were competing for the lead at the beginning of the race, China was able to skate leisurely to gold.

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Spring is coming, Cherry Blossom Road.

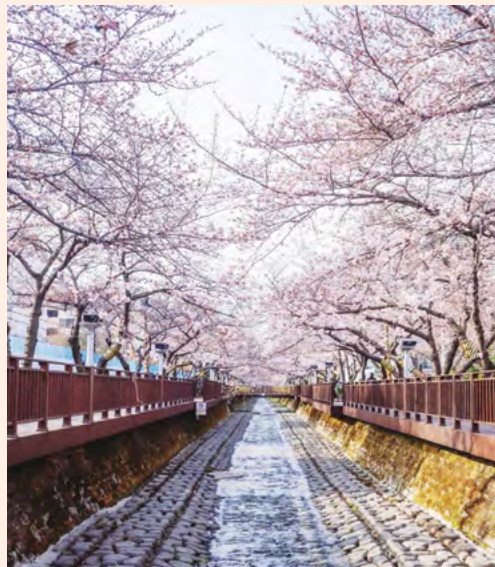
The first flowers to announce the news of spring coming are plum blossoms, cornelian cherry flowers, and magnolias, but cherry blossoms are the flowers that evoke admiration, "It's really spring!" A feast of cherry blossoms filling the desolate city with white flowers. Isn't it the news of cherry blossoms that you can't wait for more than anything else in spring? This spring, let's find a cherry blossom destination that will revitalize your dull heart throughout the winter.

1. Flower Rain in the Millennium City, Gyeongju

In Gyeongju, not only the city center, but also the tombs of General Kim Yu-shin and Lake Bomun are cherry blossom paradises. On a spring day when cherry blossoms are in full bloom, you can constantly get rained on while riding a bicycle to Gyeongju. In particular, Lake Bomun is an ecstasy itself when flowers are fluttered due to the harmony of a wide lake and a cherry blossom tunnel. I recommend the course from Bomun Tourist Complex to Gyeongju Donggungwon after passing Gyeongju World.

2. Korea's No. 1 Cherry Blossom Land, Jinhae

If you ask for a "cherry blossom attraction" in Korea, Jinhae is cited without hesitation one of the most popular. Jinhae Gunhang Festival, which is held every year in Jinhae, is a epitome of the cherry blossom festival. The festival has been suspended for a while due to COVID-19, but spring visitors who cannot forget the cherry blossom group dance in March will surely flock to Jinhae by the end of March this year. There is only one reason why it is the



most famous cherry blossom spot in the country. It's incomparable beauty. The white cherry blossom tunnel is fantastic, but the rain of petals falling in full bloom is also romantic. If you climb Jehwangsan Park and look down at the city from Jinhae Tower, you can see the small and peaceful city scenery of modern buildings from 100 years ago and Jinhae cherry blossoms, centering on the eight streets of Jungwon Rotary.

3. Seoul's representative cherry blossom spot, Yeouido

Every year in early April, cloud-like crowds flock around Yunjung-ro in Yeouido. In Yeouido, you can see 13 kinds of spring flowers, including azaleas, forsythia, royal azaleas, bridal wreaths, and deutzia, as well as king cherry, which are native to Jeju Island. It is natural to attract full-time visitors to Yeouido, which has easy accessibility and many things to see.

The cherry blossoms are in perfect order. They bloom and fall at the same time, and the brilliance is instantaneous, and after that moment, it even feels empty. Nevertheless, the pink petals shining in the sun during the day and the purple flower tunnel, which reflects the lights at night, melt the whole heart. It's spring when I want to go somewhere. I hope to make beautiful memories in nature this spring as well.

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The reason why we feel comfortable when we listen to ASMR

Have you ever heard of the word "ASMR"? Recently, many people are looking for ASMR for various settings, such as studying, sleeping, and relaxation. If you search 'ASMR', it is often described as "treatment of insomnia", "relieving stress," and "improving concentration". How can ASMR give us psychological stability?

ASMR is an abbreviation for 'Autonomous Sensory Meridian Response'. It is a new word that means emotional stability or sensory experience felt through the 5 senses. It is known that different sounds of ASMR can reduce stress and achieve psychological and physical satisfaction. ASMR content allows you to make a variety of sounds with common objects around you, such as pencil tapping, doll touching, hair brushing, and oil massages.

ASMR is also referred to as 'Brain Tingle' or 'Brain Orgasm'. This means that the degree to which our brain reacts to sensory pleasure is very strong. According to Kang Kyung-sun, a professor of music therapy at Sungshin Women's University, "10 seconds is the most time to feel chills or pleasure through music, but listening to actual ASMR and experiencing this similar thrill is about 10 minutes. You can experience sensuous pleasure for a long time that is incomparable to music." We feel unconsciously hypnotized when a sound repeats itself. It is physically and psychologically tuned to it and follows its rhythm. At this time, you can see the effect of emotionally controlling yourself rather than naturally immersing yourself in stress or negative emotions.

Experiments were conducted to study the effects of ASMR. Researchers at Northumbria University in the UK asked 64 adults to watch videos with ASMR sounds for 10 to 15 minutes. A survey was conducted before and after the city



hall to measure the psychological anxiety of the participants. Some participants were found to have actually calmed their anxiety and relaxed thanks to ASMR. The higher the neurotic tendency, the better the positive effect was. In other words, ASMR had a great positive effect on people who are likely to experience negative emotions such as anxiety in their daily lives.

If you are tired of your daily life and are having a hard day, why don't you take a comfortable rest with ASMR? You may also be able to relax with the ASMR tingle. If you can make your day happier with ASMR, let's actively use it!

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