

# talking points

## What is the worst thing about eating lunch at school?

Hate it when you can't talk back? Well, you can with *Young Post*. Have your say and share with students around Hong Kong.

**Victoria Wong, 10, Sha Tin Junior School**

What I hate about eating at school is that we only have a 15-minute lunch break. And we have to eat in our classroom because I am still in junior school. So we have no time to chat, which is really boring.



**Liam Him Kit-fung, 14, Chinese International School**

We aren't allowed to eat anything other than what the school gives us, so there's a limited choice. This lack of variety is the biggest problem. Also, the food is expensive, with a tiny cup of chocolate milk costing about HK\$30.



**Janet Choi Ho-ching, 18, HKU Space Po Leung Kuk Community College**

When I was in secondary school, Form One to Three students were not allowed to eat lunch outside the campus. So we sat in the classroom and ate the food prepared by the suppliers. Our class teacher joined us for lunch as well. Many of my classmates always complained about the quality of the food. But for me the worst thing was that I could not eat with my friends because they were not allowed to sit next to me even during the lunch break.



**Reece Chiu, 17, Po Leung Kuk Choi Kai Yau School**

It's the quality of the canteen food. The dishes look like those from a 3-star Michelin restaurant, but they taste worse than the food provided by a 3-star motel.



**Eugenia Lui Wan-sum, 16, Rhenish Church Pang Hok Ko Memorial College**

I think it is very unhealthy to eat at school. Although we have an environmentally friendly kitchen, the food is tasteless. So a lot of students won't eat from the canteen.



**Sonia Iftkhar, 20, St Margaret's Girls' College, Hong Kong.**

It has to be *lou meen* - noodles in a small, plastic bag. Ethnic minority children don't have much choice, mostly because the food is not suitable for Muslims or vegetarians. Moreover, I feel that it is quite unhealthy to eat from a plastic bag rather than a container.



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