Press Invitation

Distinguished Lecture by the Faculty of Education, HKU
“Leading From the Middle: Not Taking It From the Top”
By Professor Andy Hargreaves
Thomas More Brennan Chair, Lynch School of Education, Boston College, USA

In a rapidly changing world, our educational goals are becoming more sophisticated and demanding. The bold directions that schools are already taking in response to these issues are too sophisticated to be imposed from the top, through single leaders or small management teams. Leading from the Middle is not about another management level or tier to get this job done, but about the heart, the spine, the guts and the gall of teaching and leadership.

The Faculty of Education of The University of Hong Kong (HKU) proudly presents the Distinguished Lecture on “Leading From the Middle: Not Taking It From the Top” to be delivered by Professor Andy Hargreaves, Thomas More Brennan Chair, Lynch School of Education, Boston College, USA.

In the Distinguished Lecture, Professor Hargreaves will let you know this is the idea that will help move you forward if you want to lead with people and through them to drive change together.

Members of the media are welcome to cover the event and the schedule is as follows:

Date: March 31, 2017 (Friday)
Time: 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm
Venue: Rayson Huang Theatre, HKU (map)
Language: English
Chair: Professor Amy B M Tsui, Chair Professor, Faculty of Education, HKU

Andy Hargreaves is the Brennan Chair in the Lynch School of Education at Boston College and Distinguished Visiting Professor at The University of Hong Kong. He is President of the International Congress of School Effectiveness and Improvement, Founding Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Professional Capital and Community, and Adviser in Education to the Premier of Ontario and the First Minister of Scotland. Andy’s Outstanding Writing Awards include the 2015 Gravemeyer Award in Education for Professional Capital (with Michael Fullan), as well as awards from the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education, the American Educational Research Association, the American Libraries Association and the International Leadership Association. He has been honoured with the 2016 Horace Mann Award in the US and the Robert Owen Award in Scotland for services to public education. He has been ranked by Education Week in the top 10 scholars with most influence on US education policy debate. In 2015, Boston College gave him its Excellence in Teaching with Technology Award. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts.

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