On Sports

Today my class had a heated debate about whether the college entrance examination should include a physical education examination.

Those who favor the idea argue that with all classes and homework, students attach more importance to academic work and grades, thus ignoring the benefits of sports. Including PE into the exam will help to encourage more students to work out on a regular basis, which in turn contributes to study efficiency.

However, opponents maintain that the drawbacks of such practice can’t be overlooked. For one thing, testing students on PE could easily turn sports into tiresome training and drilling, which might stifle students’ enthusiasm for sports. For another, not all students are good at sports; therefore forcing them to engage in exercise they are not good at may achieve the opposite effect.

In my opinion, the benefits of sports can’t be over emphasized in that a strong body is a necessity in fighting for our dreams whether PE is included into the **entrance exam** or not. I am wondering how your school promotes the importance of physical education.

19 A Body:

According to the agreement, some teachers and students in our school are scheduled to take a four-week study tour to your school---Harrow School this summer vacation. I am writing to tell you about our group and what we’d like you to arrange for us.

Our team consists of/is mead up of 2 teachers and 23 students, 11 of whom are girls. We expect to attend English lessons in the morning and tour around/do some sightseeing in London or participate in/take part in some sports in the afternoon. Besides, we hope to visit other cities on Saturday and Sunday (at/on weekends). /We hope to spend weekends on visiting other cities so as to expand our outlook. When it comes to accommodations, we would like to stay in host families so that we will know more about your life and have more opportunities to speak English.