Comments from Leaders of Home Economics Teachers on the Research Report, "Decision-Making of Students about Home and Family Life" (Part 1)
The Analysis of Comments of the Interview Survey

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Abstract

We presented three reports of "Decision-Making of Students about Home and Family Life" in two research report edited by The Japan Association of Home Economics Education, and one reported at the IFHE World Congress (2001, 2002, and 2004). These reports included our opinions about the decision-making of students and our suggestions for Home Economics Education. In this paper, the comments of Home Economics teachers who were in leadership positions were analyzed using the interview survey along with our reports.

The results showed that the leaders of Home Economics teachers were especially interested in dietary concerns. The 828 comments of leaders about our reports were categorized as follows; "agreement", "different opinion", "contact detonation", and others. Concerning "different opinion", it was found that leaders' comments were different from our opinions about the current status of students. The educational contents and curriculums need to be developed by considering the relationship between other subjects and the number of lessons.

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