Analysis of Japanese Senior High School Home Economics Textbooks and A Course of Study: Focusing on Clothing Safety & Security in Everyday Life

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Abstract ------

The contents of home economics (HE) education should be consciously planned, as safety & security in life have been a social problem. We analyzed the current senior high school HE textbooks plus the course of study over 3 decades.

There was a 2-page description of safety & security in the 4-unit-Kateisogo-textbook, but nothing in the 2-unit-Kateikiso-book. The word "safety" in textiles & clothing is used for the first time in the forthcoming course of study. Description of safety for products & equipments appears before. The word, security (relief), was applied to children, the elderly, consumer life, and the environment in the forthcoming course of study.

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