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School Improvement Essay

Due 5/26/2020: How would you change school to make it better? Improve the lunch by offering your favorite 5 foods each week? Eliminating homework? Including more/less technology? Doing more projects? Switching to distance learning? Getting rid of distance learning? A mix of both? Something different?

Your job is to write a five-paragraph essay that identifies and explains three ways that you could improve school! Be sure that your report has a few key elements:

Introduction:

- Hook (statement about school today)
- Connection (begin connecting to your essay topic)
- Thesis (identify three ways to improve school)

Body Paragraphs (3 in total):

- Topic Sentence
- Explanation of how to improve school
- Details, examples, reasons why the change you picked would improve school
- Closing sentence

Conclusion:

- Restate thesis
- Summarize main ideas
- Closing idea about school improvement

****Use the materials that are posted on the website! Planners, organizers, strategies, and guidelines are all available to help you write this essay!**

****Do not use "I" statements – meaning don't say, "I think school would be better if..." or, "One way I would made school better is..."**

Instead, say "School would be better if..." or, "One way to improve school is..."

Ways to Improve School

- More time for eating lunch & recess (40 minutes like regular classes)
 - Reward system for students who finish work correctly and quickly
 - Less homework
 - More props/equipment to play with during recess
- Changing curriculum (what the teachers are teaching) to learn more about paying taxes and real-world skills
 - No more double periods!
 - PE every day to get more exercise
 - Less classwork
 - Start school at 9am
 - Pizza and chicken nuggets only for lunch (changing the lunch options)
 - More computer science classes to learn about using technology
- No work during long breaks (Spring Break, Summer, Winter Break, etc.)
 - More chess class
- Better technology – each student would have a school computer
 - Weekly/monthly field trips
- Limousine brings you/from school instead of school buses.
- Making a big play ground in the field for the students