

Write your principal a letter, and convince him or her to add an elective class of your choosing.

- Focus on the [essential skills](#)
- 5 paragraphs in length (intro/3 body paragraphs/conclusion)
- Use persuasive language

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Persuasive Essay - What elective class should be added to the school schedule?


Persuade the principal of your school to add a particular class, one that you know students would absolutely love to take.


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The Pathway of the Confident Composition Course

- **Hello and Welcome! Here are a few tips as you move through the course...**

Hello, and I am glad you are here! Please watch this quick introduction video for tips about mov...
- **Purpose, #1 Goal, and the Importance of You**

Writing can be challenging and tricky. Sometimes students feel frustrated and overwhelmed with th...
- **How this Course is Laid Out**

This course is specifically laid out to be interesting and motivational with fairly short lessons...



0 of 18 Lessons Completed

Components of an Essay



The Basic (and Super Important) List of Foundational Writing Skills

Did you know that there is a list of critical, foundational writing skills? And did you know that...



Tone

For this essay, you might consider one or more of these tones: persuasive (you will naturally hav...



Sentence Structure

Simple sentences vs. more complex sentences... or a mixture of both? In this video, I will highli...



KNOWLEDGE CHECK #1

Breakdown Prompt & Brainstorm



Break Down the Prompt

Breaking down prompts can be tricky. They can range from clear and simple to more complex and dif...



Brainstorm - Generate Subtopics and Supporting Details

During this course, I am writing about an elective class that I think should be added and you are...



KNOWLEDGE CHECK #2

Write the Essay



Introduction Paragraph

Intro paragraphs can be tricky to write, but when you practice, and follow this format, they beco...



Body Paragraphs

Each body paragraph starts with a topic sentence, follows with several supporting details, and en...



Conclusion Paragraph and Final Edit

You've reached the end of your essay. Start the conclusion with a transition, restate your topics...



A Useful Graphic Organizer

Below is a graphic organizer that you can use for future essay writing assignments. Many students...



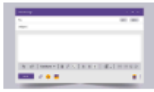
KNOWLEDGE CHECK #3

Wrapping Up



Grade Your Essay Using a Rubric

Can you fill out a rubric for your own work? Absolutely! Oftentimes a teacher will present a rubr...



Email Me Your Best Paragraph

After finishing your essay, feel free to EMAIL ME YOUR BEST PARAGRAPH for possible posting on my ...



KNOWLEDGE CHECK #4