

## **For Annotation: Sample Argumentative Essay**

**Follow the above rubric and components in the list. Identify and annotate the missing elements, errors, grammatical and punctuation mistakes, and structure and spelling mistakes in this essay. Remember, this is supposed to be an argumentative essay. The resources for this essay are given in a separate folder on Archie resources titled 'Saturday Resources'. You will be turning in your annotation and highlights for this essay today for a grade.**

School lunches should be healthier because students need good food. Some kids eat junk food all the time, and that is bad. They stay hungry all day and can't focus during class and just tend to get sleepy and forget things. Schools should give them better choices so they can be healthy. If they eat better, they will do better in school and sports. I'll discuss why this is. School lunches should absolutely, without a doubt, be healthier because these kids, who are the future of our world, need good, nutritious food to thrive. In today's world, where many children eat junk food all the time, it's becoming increasingly obvious that this is a bad habit which isn't good. If schools take the time and effort to provide students with better snackies when it comes to food, then they will have a greater chance to be healthy, strong, and successful. Because, as many studies show, students who eat better will perform better in both their schoolwork and their extracurricular activities, including sports and other clubs. For these reasons, we can assume it is clear that schools should take action and improve the quality of the food they serve in their cafeterias.

Kids like eating sweet things and fast food, but that doesn't mean it's good for them. We don't got to give kids what they want all the time pretty much in school. According to the article "Kids Love Sweets," kids are wired to like sugar, but too much is bad for their health. We all know how kids can be when they have a sugar rush and it's a nightmare to manage during class. Schools can help by offering food that is healthy but still tastes good. If schools don't do this, kids might just eat chips and candy instead and just drink energy drinks like the white Monster all day and not eat any real meals at all and that's like really super bad and no bueno. Additionally, even though this article states that kids are wired to like sugar, it doesn't mean sugar is bad. The school can probably find ways to incorporate sugary treats into lunch and balance it out. Everything is possible now-a-days.

Another reason to have better lunches, busy schedules. In "On the Run . . . but Not Running on Empty," it kinda says kids have after-school activities and need good food to keep up their energy. If students only eat unhealthy food, they won't have the energy to play sports or focus in class. This shows that schools need to give them nutritious food they can get so they can succeed. These students are busy and always on the run so they need all the nutrition they can get and that's an obvious thing to provide them. It makes me wonder why schools aren't already doing this anyways.

Some people might say that students won't eat healthy food if it doesn't taste good or is drenched in cheese or deep fried. I think that is wrong because if schools make food that is both

healthy and tasty, students will eat it. We all know that sometimes school lunches don't taste the best, but that doesn't mean we should give up on making them better. Schools just need to find ways to make the food good so everyone will want to eat it. I don't think it's something that's completely beyond the school's ability to do. It's manageable and can be done. So, the school should do it.

In conclusion, school lunches should be better so students can be healthier and do better in school. If schools don't do this, kids will keep eating unhealthy food, and that is bad. Schools need to give better food choices so students can grow and learn properly. Therefore, it is completely obvious that school lunches should be made healthier, and there is no reason not to make this change. Not only will students benefit physically, but they will also benefit mentally, emotionally, and even socially because good food affects every aspect of their lives. If schools refuse to make these changes, then students will continue to struggle, and their futures will be negatively impacted in ways we cannot even imagine. Schools must take responsibility for providing the best possible meals, and if they fail to do so, they are failing their students. In the end, it is clear that making school lunches healthier is not just a good idea—it is an absolute necessity that cannot be ignored any longer and to be honest, it is what it is and school's need to do their part. To be honest, maybe i would eaten more than two Monsters everyday if the lunches were better when i was a kid as a student. But we'll never know for sure, I can only assume.

**Your rewrite begins here.**

Follow the argumentative essay requirements to make sure to address all parts of the rewrite. You need to add in more evidence from the Resources and add more than what is given in the badly written essay.

**Further instructions and prompt:**

**There are many factors that motivate students' eating habits. How can schools provide nutritious foods that meet students' nutritional needs and include foods that they're likely to eat?**

Write an argumentative essay for the school board about the best way for your school to meet the challenge of providing students with nutritional lunch options that students will actually eat. Use the information presented in the resources to support your points. Make sure to include information from more than one passage in your essay.

Manage your time carefully so that you can:

- read the passages;
- plan your response;
- write your response; and
- revise and edit your response.

Be sure to

- include a claim;
- address counterclaims;
- use evidence from multiple sources; and
- avoid overly relying on one source.

**Start by planning. Fill out the following:**

Your thesis statement:

Reason/claim 1

Evidence 1 (mention article title, author's full name and paragraph number)

Reason/claim 2

Evidence 2 (mention article title, author's full name and paragraph number)

Reason/claim 3

Evidence 3 (mention article title, author's full name and paragraph number)

Counterclaim

Evidence (mention article title, author's full name and paragraph number)

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