

Bill Writing Topics

Senate Committee #1

Write a bill to establish a clear definition of “bullying” behaviors and a “bully” at PWL. What are specific examples of bullying? List all of them. Explain the punishments and consequences for participating in these types of unwanted behaviors at PWL. Punishments should be realistic, increase in severity and ultimately eliminate the defined problem.

Senate Committee #2

Write a bill to establish a clear definition of “disruptive” behaviors that are unwelcome in a classroom setting. Be very specific about what makes an action “disruptive” and examples of the behaviors that fall into this category. For the punishment section, set up rules to eliminate these types of behaviors from the classroom. Punishments should be realistic, increase in severity and ultimately eliminate the defined problem.

Senate Committee #3

Write a bill that clearly defines a “failing student”. This involves specific grades, number of classes, etc. Since the purpose of this bill will be to help failing students (NOT punish them by kicking them out of school), explain the type of programs and interventions you will establish that to help them improve their grades and pass their classes in your final section.

Senate Committee #4

Write a bill to establish clear definitions and guidelines for a school-wide tardy policy. What exactly is a “tardy”? You will need to explain this in detail. Explain the consequences for students who are considered “tardy” to class. Punishments should be realistic, increase in severity and ultimately eliminate the defined problem.

Senate Committee #5

Write a bill to establish guidelines for a school appropriate dress code. You must be very specific about what clothes are considered appropriate and which types of clothes will be inappropriate. Explain the consequences for not following the dress code policy. Punishments should be realistic, increase in severity and ultimately eliminate the defined problem.

Senate Committee #6

Write a bill to establish clear guidelines for the acceptable use of electronics at school. This will need to define acceptable use and include specific electronic items, locations and times for using these items. Failing to follow these guidelines will be punished. Punishments should be realistic, increase in severity and ultimately eliminate the defined problem.

Senate Committee #7

Write a bill to establish clear guidelines for “healthy and affordable” lunches. You will need to set the standards for what makes a meal healthy. You will also need to establish price guidelines for lunches. Since there are not punishments in this bill, your last section will need to explain how this new lunch program will be paid for – remember, not all students can afford to buy lunches, but they have the right to eat a meal at school!

Senate Committee #8

Write a bill to establish guidelines for a school wide homework policy. Think about how much homework should be allowed per class, the days of the week it can be assigned, etc. What would the consequences be for students who don't complete their homework on time or at all? What would the consequences be for teachers who assigned too much homework? Punishments should be realistic, increase in severity and ultimately eliminate the defined problem.