

Name: _____

Class: _____

School Uniforms at IMS

A Letter to Mr. Fabrizio – Outline

My opinion (circle one): *I am _____ for / against _____ school uniforms in public schools.*

The article that supports my opinion is (circle one):

“School Dress Codes are Necessary and Constitutional” by Students’ Rights

OR

“School Uniforms” by Current Issues.

I. Paragraph #1 – Introduction

- a. 2-3 sentences introducing the topic of school uniforms. (How can you summarize this issue? What background knowledge do you have?) _____

- b. 2-3 sentences stating your purpose for writing. (What is your opinion on the topic? Why are you writing to Mr. Fabrizio?)

I am writing today because... _____

II. Paragraph #2 – Article Summary

- a. Use your Hourglass Template to plan your well-supported paragraph summarizing the 3 most important points of the article you read. Be sure you are summarizing the article **that supports your opinion**.

III. Paragraph #3 – Personal Opinion

- a. Use your Hourglass Template to plan your well-supported paragraph explaining *your personal reasons/experiences* that make you for or against school uniforms in public schools.

IV. Paragraph #4 – Conclusion

- a. 2-3 sentences re-stating any major points of your letter and wrapping up your overall opinion on school uniforms. (Begin your paragraph with a good transition phrase – *see handout*). _____
