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HANDOUT # 1

SAMPLE SCHOOL LUNCHES RESOLUTION

Committee: School Administration

Topic: School Lunches

Sponsor: Student Council

} **Heading**

School Administration,

Concerned that the when the school lunch hour shrinks to less than 20 minutes, students consume 13% less of their meal and produce more waste,

Recognizing that although students get between 30 to 50 percent of their daily calorie intake from school, long lunch lines prevent them from finishing their meal,

Keeping in mind that hunger on testing days is associated with poor academic performance,

1. Encourages school officials to expand lunch periods to a minimum of 40 minutes so students have time to finish their meals;
2. Recommends that the school administration create one extra lunch period which will make lines shorter across all of the lunch periods;
3. Calls Upon the school board to allow snacks on testing days, so that students can remain full and energized through to the end of the day.

} **Preambulatory
Clauses**

Statistics provided by:
<http://news.harvard.edu/gazette/story/2015/09/short-lunch-periods-dont-serve-students-needs/>

http://depts.washington.edu/nutr/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2015/07/Timed-For-Lunch-Policy-Brief-NUTR531_winter2015.pdf

} **Operative
Clauses**



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HANDOUT # 2

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS





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HANDOUT # 3

RESOLUTION TEMPLATE

Name: _____

School: _____

U.N. Committee: _____

Topic: _____

Sponsor: _____

The General Assembly,

[Preambulatory Clauses – *separated by commas*]

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[Operative Clauses – *separated by semicolons and ending with a period*]

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2. _____

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Preambulatory Clause – Vocabulary

Affirming	Emphasizing	Having received
Alarmed by	Expecting	Keeping in mind
Approving	Expressing its appreciation	Noting with regret
Aware of	Expressing its satisfaction	Noting with satisfaction
Believing	Fulfilling	Noting with deep concern
Bearing in mind	Fully Aware	Noting further
Confident	Further deploring	Noting with approval
Conscious of	Further recalling	Observing
Contemplating	Guided by	Realizing
Convinced	Having adopted	Reaffirming
Declaring	Having considered	Recalling
Deeply concerned	Having considered further	Recognizing
Deeply convinced	Having devoted attention	Seeking
Deeply disturbed	Having examined	Taking into account
Deeply regretting	Having studied	Taking note
Desiring	Having heard	Welcoming

Operative Clause – Vocabulary

Accepts	Emphasizes	Reaffirms
Affirms	Encourages	Recommends
Approves	Endorses	Reminds
Authorizes	Expresses its appreciation	Regrets
Calls	Expresses its hope	Requests
Calls upon	Further invites	Resolves
Condemns	Further proclaims	Solemnly affirms
Congratulates	Further recommends	Strongly condemns
Confirms	Further reminds	Supports
Considers	Further requests	Trusts
Declares	Further resolves	Takes note of
Deplores	Have resolved	Urges
Draws attention	Notes	Designates



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HANDOUT # 4

ACCESS TO CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION – FACT SHEET

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDGs) – Goal 6: *Ensure access to water and sanitation for all*

- By 2030, achieve universal and equitable access to safe and affordable drinking water for all. (Source: UN)
- Ensure access to adequate and equitable sanitation and hygiene for all. (Source: UN)

QUICK FACTS

- 844 million people around the world lack access to safe water. (Source: water.org)
- 1 in 3 people around the world lack access to a toilet. (Source water.org)
- In low- and middle-income countries, 35% of health care facilities lack water and soap for handwashing. (Source: WHO)
- Each year, 361,000 children under the age of 5 die from unsafe drinking water, sanitation, and hand hygiene. (Source: WHO)
- Water scarcity affects more than 40% of the global population, and it is expected to rise. (Source: WHO)
- Proper water and sanitation is a key component to achieving several Sustainable Development Goals, including good health and gender equality. (Source: UN)

CHALLENGES

- Distance to adequate water facilities also poses a problem: 263 million people live in areas where it takes more than 30 minutes to collect water. (Source: WTO)
- In many countries, girls are responsible for fetching water which takes them out of school and prevents them from receiving an education. Every day, women and girls spend 266 million hours collecting water. (Source: water.org)
- Many children in the developing world are denied the right to education because their school lacks proper toilet facilities. (Source: UNICEF)
- By 2050, at least 1 in 4 people are likely to live in a country affected by shortages of fresh water. (Source: UN)

PAST AND RECENT ACTIONS

- In 2010, the U.N. General Assembly recognized the right of every human being to have access to sufficient, safe, and affordable water (between 50 and 100 liters of water per person per day). (Source: UN)
- In 2017, UNICEF and the World Health Organization joined together to create WASH FIT (Water and Sanitation for Health Facility Improvement Tool). WASH FIT is a free, open source, digital tool designed to help health care facilities improve the quality of care through improved water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH). (Sources: UNICEF & WHO)
- World Water Day and World Toilet Day are two U.N. sponsored campaigns that aim to provide the public with information and inspiration to take action on clean water and sanitation for all. (Source: UN)

MOVING FORWARD

- Between 1990 and 2015, the proportion of the global population using an improved drinking water source has increased from 76% to 91%. 663 million people still do not have access to adequate drinking water sources. (Source: WHO)
- It is estimated that extending basic water and sanitation services to the unserved would cost \$28.4 billion (USD) per year from 2015 to 2030, or 0.10 per cent of the global product (GDP) of the 140 countries included in its study. (Source: World Bank, UNICEF & WHO)



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HANDOUT # 5

EXAMPLE RESOLUTION

Committee: General Assembly
Topic: Clean Water and Sanitation
Sponsor: Kingdom of Denmark

} **Heading**

The General Assembly,

Acknowledging that many children in the developing world are denied the right to an education because their school lacks proper toilet facilities,

Deeply concerned by the 263 million people worldwide, including women and girls, who live in areas where it takes more than 30 minutes to collect water,

Keeping in mind that that extending basic water and sanitation services to the unserved would cost \$28.4 billion (USD) per year from 2015 to 2030, or 0.10% of global GDP,

1. Calls upon countries that are not in the developing world to assist those less fortunate by creating better schools;

2. Encourages governments to help their citizens access water more quickly and efficiently;

3. Suggests that countries choose to invest their money and resources on an annual basis to help improve clean water and sanitation for the unserved.

} **Preambulatory
Clauses**

} **Operative
Clauses**

Amendments
