



HANDOUT # 1

SAMPLE RESOLUTION - MANDATORY RECESS

Committee: School Administration
Topic: Mandatory Recess for Students
Sponsor: Student Council

Heading

School Administration,

Alarmed by recent trends to reduce or eliminate unstructured recess time due to a higher focus on standardized testing and achieving learning goals,

Preambulatory
Clauses

Statistics provided by:
Centers for Disease Control
and Prevention (CDC). (2019)

Fully aware that structured learning is important and that students have to demonstrate understanding for continued success and development,

<https://www.cdc.gov/healthyschools/physicalactivity/recess.htm>

Emphasizing that students with at least 20 minutes of unstructured playtime per day increase their level of physical activity, improve their memory, attention, and concentration, while helping them reduce destructive behavior in the classroom, and improve their social and emotional development,

1. Urges states to enact mandatory recess time of at least 20 minutes per day for students aged 5-15;
2. Draws attention to the harm of keeping students at a desk, learning for 7-8 hours a day with only a single lunch break throughout the day;
3. Reaffirms the many positive outcomes recess has for students, such as increased attendance and productivity in the classroom.

Operative
Clauses



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HANDOUT # 2

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



HANDOUT # 3

SAMPLE RESOLUTION TEMPLATE



Students' Names:
Students' School:
Committee Topic:
Sponsor (country delegation):

The General Assembly,

[Preambulatory Clauses]

[Operative Clauses]

1.)

2.)

3.)



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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

FACT SHEET - Zero Hunger and Sustainable Cities

SDG 2: Zero Hunger

SDG 2 Targets

- By 2030, end hunger and ensure access to safe, nutritious, and sufficient food all year round with particular attention on people in poverty and people in vulnerable situations.
- By 2030, ensure sustainable food production systems and implement agricultural practices that increase productivity and production, that help maintain ecosystems, that strengthen capacity for adaptation to climate change, extreme weather, drought, flooding and other disasters and that improve land and soil quality.
- Increase investment, including through enhanced international cooperation, in rural infrastructure, agricultural research, and technology development in order to enhance agricultural production in developing countries, with particular focus on the least developed countries.

SDG 2 Quick Facts

- Current estimates show that nearly 690 million people, or 8.9 percent of the world population are hungry
- An estimated 2 billion people, 25.9 percent of the world population, were affected by moderate or severe food insecurity in 2019, up from 22.4 percent in 2015. The fastest rise was recorded in Latin America and the Caribbean, although the highest levels were registered in sub-Saharan Africa. (Source: UN)
- Globally, 149.2 million children under the age of 5, some 22 per cent of all children, suffer from stunting (low height for age) according to the latest estimates available for 2020. (Source: UN)

SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities

SDG 11 Targets

- By 2030, ensure access for all to adequate, safe and affordable housing and basic services.
- By 2030, provide access to safe, affordable, accessible and sustainable transport systems for all, improving road safety, notably by expanding public transport, with special attention to the needs of those in vulnerable situations, women, children, persons with disabilities and older persons.
- By 2030, provide universal access to safe, inclusive and accessible, green and public spaces, in particular for women and children, older persons and persons with disabilities.
- Support least developed countries, including through financial and technical assistance, in building sustainable and resilient buildings utilizing local materials.

SDG 11 Quick Facts

- Since 2007, more than half the world's population has been living in cities, and that share is projected to rise to 60 per cent by 2030.
- 828 million people live in slums today and most of them are found in Eastern and South-Eastern Asia.
- About 90 percent of urban growth is forecasted to happen in Asia and Africa in the next 30 years.



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HANDOUT # 5

EXAMPLE RESOLUTION



Students' Names:

Students' School: World Affairs Council Middle School

Committee Topic: Ending World Hunger

Committee #: 1

Sponsor: Central African Republic

} **Heading**

The General Assembly,

Deeply concerned that 690 million people around the world face hunger issues,

Fully aware that majority of people facing world hunger are from Sub-Saharan Africa, Latin America and Southeast Asia;

Keeping in mind that the COVID-19 pandemic has created further challenges to food systems in the Central African Republic, and caused more people to become hungry.

} **Preambulatory
Clauses**

1. *Suggests* that the United Nations prioritizes ending world hunger,

2. *Suggests* that wealthy countries in the United Nations give money directly to the Central African Republic so it can purchase food from other countries;

3. *Suggests* investing more money into global food systems to make them more resilient to issues like climate change and global pandemics

} **Operative
Clauses**

Amendments