

Paper 2: Proposal Essay

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- **Assignment:** Select a *public* occurrence (on the international, national, state, city, or campus level) that you see as a problem. Examples of possible topics would include overspending in the state government, litter in downtown Fort Wayne, or lack of adequate parking on the south side of campus. Define the problem as you see it. Propose a possible solution for the problem and how it will be implemented. Support any assertions that you make with sound reasons.
- **Purpose:** To move into a more academic oriented writing style while practicing reasoning and argumentative skills at a familiar level. The goal of this paper is to apply a writing style to a very real setting and familiarize students with conventional academic formats.
- **Requirements:** Three to five pages minimum. The audience addressed in this essay will vary depending on the subject but is most likely the body governing the area where the problem is occurring (for example, if you choose littering in downtown Fort Wayne, your audience may be the Fort Wayne City Council). Voice, style, and form should be appropriate to your audience. You will need to conduct at least one interview of someone directly related to the issue (more on this in class). DUE 10/1 FOR PEER REVIEW.