

A Summary of “The Enforcement of School Uniforms”
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Introduction

The Toulmin “The Enforcement of School Uniforms” written by *Partner’s full name* outlines the benefits and opposition regarding the requirement of uniforms in all schools and grade levels. The author asserts that the enforcement of uniforms will create a safer learning environment by eliminating gang symbols, and discouraging crime. *Partner’s last name* also lists greater focus on education, an introduced sense of unity, and economic savings as other advantages.

Summary

Despite differing opinions among groups regarding the enforcement of uniforms in the education system, the author believes that the enforcement of uniforms is a necessary and beneficial regulation for the overall safety and wellbeing of the students who are directly impacted by such a policy. According to *Partner’s last name*, the lack of uniforms in schools allows for dress to be linked to school violence, a lack of discipline, more money being spent on dress, as well as a degree of absence in unity and pride within the school.

The author claims that by requiring school uniforms, the threat of gang association via insignias or appointed colors is eliminated leading to a lesser chance of bullying and crime. *Partner’s last name* cites Jennifer Starr who stated “Dress has also been linked to gang violence and intimidation in public school. Rival gang members ... have begun to move their territorial disputes from streets into schools.” This information provides backing for the author’s stance on the connection between a current lack of school uniforms and criminal violence.

The other benefits of enforcing school uniforms are highlighted throughout the author’s research. This includes eliminating the distraction of fashion trends within a learning environment, increasing the strength of community within the school, and providing a financial benefit to parents. The author provides backing, and cites other sources to strengthen their proposal as well as addresses the oppositions arguments concerning lack of individuality, distinction in economic class, as well as conformity.

Conclusion

Partner’s full name claims that uniforms should be enforced in the education system in order to reduce violence and improve the learning environment for students.