

Monitor of the Debate: Welcome to the first of several debates between the primary candidates that you would like to be YOUR class president. Let me explain how the debates work. First, each candidate will be given a question and they have a short amount of time to answer. Then we'll move on to the next person and give them either the same question or a new one. Let's get started.

This is for our first candidate. How do you feel about homework? Is there anything you would change about it?

1st Candidate: Homework is very important to adults but for many students we don't like it. We would prefer being able to hang out with our friends or play something we enjoy. So, I would suggest that we have no homework until we're in high school. We need to enjoy being a kid while we're still a kid.

Monitor: Okay, thank you for your response. Candidate two, please answer the same question. How do you feel about homework and is there anything you would change about it?

2nd Candidate: Well, I actually feel that homework is important because it allows us more practice time with things we learn in school. However, I do feel that we have too much of it. So, I think that we should only have ten math problems each night and ten minutes of reading. I think that's a fair compromise.

Monitor: Okay, thank you for your response Candidate two. Candidate three, what's you take on this issue.

3rd Candidate: Homework is something I've done all my life and I know that it's helped me become a better student. I think we have a fair amount of homework for our age and if we want our parents or teachers to treat us differently than completing homework shows them that we're growing up.

Monitor: Okay, let's move on to a new question. Candidate three, how do you feel about the school's discipline plan? Would you change anything with it?

3rd Candidate: I absolutely HATE the school discipline plan. If a student talks out just one time they have to receive a warning and if it happens again, they have to move their clip. I don't feel that's fair. I think that students should receive three warnings before they have to move their clip. Also, I don't like when teachers automatically move students to a severe color like orange or red instantly. They should have to follow the plan that's in place.

Monitor: Okay, thank you. Let's go to candidate two now. What do you think?

2nd Candidate: I really like the school's discipline plan. I think it's pretty fair but I wish there was a reward system for students that behave well. If a person is on green or purple all the time, why don't they receive something like half an hour in

the gym each week or a movie party half way through the nine weeks? Students who behave well deserve more than a bomber buck or an assembly at the end of the nine weeks.

Monitor: Alright, thank you very much. Candidate one, how do you feel about this issue?

1st Candidate: I also like the behavior system the school uses but instead of having one bomber assembly, I think we should have two. One at the halfway point of the nine weeks and one at the end of the nine weeks. That gives us two times to celebrate which I think is enough.

Monitor: Okay, let's move onto the next question. Candidate two, should the school offer mixed martial arts during gym? Why or why not?

2nd Candidate: I think that schools offering mixed martial arts to students is a HUGE mistake. What if a student learns to break someone's bones? What if a bully learns how to do something that will cause more harm to someone else? I'm already really exhausted with the gym activities we do now...

Monitor: Okay, candidate 3, how do you feel about the school offering mixed martial arts?

3rd Candidate: I think that the school should provide mixed martial arts for students. This would give each student a chance to learn how to defend themselves. So, if a bully wanted to hurt someone, that person would know HOW to do something about it! No more relying on the teacher! Plus, this would help everyone stay in shape because this is a WHOLE body workout.

Monitor: Thank you, candidate three. Now, candidate one how do you feel about this issue?

1st Candidate: I'm okay with the school teaching us mixed martial arts BUT I think EVERY student should sign a document that says that they will only use the martial for self defense. If a student uses the mixed martial arts to bully someone else, that person should be kicked out of the program.