

Sample 2: Advocacy letter assignment requiring major revision (student name removed)

[Note: Iona included several other samples of student work in her instructional portfolio]

Mr. Michael Whitfield
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Dear Mr. Michael Whitfield

I am a South Ozone Park homeowner, ^{incomplete hazardous} ~~and I am also a parent of a handicapped child.~~ ^{of construction}
I am writing this letter in reference to the construction taking place in my neighborhood. This construction covers all avenues starting form Rockaway Blvd – 133rd, and all streets starting from 150th – 143rd.

^{another concern,}

This construction has created many problems not only for my family but also for all residents in the neighborhood. We are being inconvenienced by not receiving our mail (UPS packages) on time, having to park our vehicles blocks away from our homes, not being able to dispose of our garbage properly and last but not least our children not being able to catch their school buses at the street corners of their homes.

② This project started since the beginning of the summer and still isn't finished. While driving, I like many others, find myself dodging pot holes the size of craters and asphalt hills the size of volcanoes just to get to my driveway. Residents understood the safety reasons behind this projects' beginning, but somewhere between then and now it seems those same safety reasons have evolved to all new problems.

^{car had to be serviced for wheel alignment, flats.}
I hope you will consider the impact that this construction project has on the lives of everyone living in these areas. Such problems not only have negative effects on the residents and their present views, but it may also alter some future projects that may arise due to new issues. I hope this letter helps gain your support and finish the project as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Please take to
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