

Section 1:

#1 Strengths:

- You create vivid imagery with phrases like "Mt Vesuvius II" to describe the playground's condition.
- Your opening clearly states your purpose and identifies the specific issue.

Weaknesses: Inconsistent details → Your opening paragraph contains conflicting information about the location. You mention "area 51" and "Ohio public" which creates confusion about where exactly this playground is located. Using more specific and consistent details would strengthen your argument.

Exemplar: ***I am writing to ask you to repair our dangerously deteriorated playground at Ohio Public School that has become a serious safety hazard for all students.***

#2 Strengths:

- You include a powerful real example with David's injury to illustrate the dangers.
- You use specific details like "5 bones" and "7 cm crater" to emphasize the severity.

Weaknesses: Exaggerated claims → Your description of the incident includes some unlikely details that might damage your credibility. The mention of a "7 cm crater" in concrete and the claim that David nearly became "brain dead" seem unrealistic. Using more believable examples would make your argument more convincing.

Exemplar: ***Last week, a new student named David fell while sliding down the damaged equipment, resulting in a concussion and several broken bones that required hospital treatment - a serious injury that could have been prevented with proper maintenance.***

#3 Strengths:

- You refer to children's rights as an ethical foundation for your argument.
- You remind the councillor of their campaign promises, creating accountability.

Weaknesses: Factual inaccuracies → Your reference to "Donald Trump's 'Make America Great Again' rulebook rule no. 69" is not a real policy document, and making up false information weakens your case. Using actual playground safety regulations or school policies would strengthen your argument.

Exemplar: ***According to the Australian Playground Safety Standards, all school playgrounds must be regularly inspected and maintained to ensure student safety, yet our playground has not been properly renovated in decades.***

■ Your persuasive piece has a clear purpose and some strong descriptive language, but it needs more factual accuracy and realistic examples to be truly convincing. The comparison of the playground to "Mt Vesuvius II" creates a memorable image, but other parts like the "7 cm crater" and references to non-existent rulebooks undermine your credibility. You could improve your third paragraph by researching actual playground safety standards instead of inventing policies. Also, your second paragraph could be more persuasive if you described David's injury in realistic terms rather than extreme ones. Focus on addressing one main concern thoroughly rather than including unrelated details like "Bermuda Triangle." Additionally, consider adding a specific request for action - what exactly do you want the councillor to do and by when? Make sure all your details are consistent, truthful, and directly support your main argument about playground safety.

Score: 39/50

Section 2:

Subject: Playground renovations needed!

To: [Schoolcouncillorperson.com](mailto:councillor@ohiopublic.edu.au) [councillor@ohiopublic.edu.au]

Dear ~~councilor~~ [councillor] Bob,

I am writing to ask you to repair ~~the area 51 in our school: the old playground in Ohio public~~ [the old playground at Ohio Public School].

Our once shiny playground has now become the Mt Vesuvius II. Everyone avoids it because trouble erupts from it every single week. The once hidden supports on the equipment now stick out like claws. The once polished surfaces are now as rough as waves. The once stable frames are now some rotten wooden planks, with huge bug bites.

#2 This problem is very important as people get hurt a lot. Last week, I observed the new student David try sliding down ~~the "trunk of terror"~~ [the "trunk of terror"] and ~~fell down~~ [he fell] in the middle of the terrible ride. ~~He crashed on the concrete surface, almost crushing his brain. Later on, the doctors told the teachers that he had got a major concussion and broke 5 bones. He was extremely lucky he didn't become brain dead. There was also a huge crater where he landed. Some cheeky kids even measured the height of the crater and got 7 cm.~~ [He crashed onto the concrete surface and was badly injured. The doctors told the teachers that he had suffered a major concussion and broken several bones. There was also damage to the ground where he landed.] YIKES! These kinds of problems happen all the ~~times~~ [time], and there were incidents even worse than this.

#3 Another concern is the obvious problem of rebuilding. ~~In Donald Trumps "Make America Great Again" rulebook rule no. 69 it clearly stated that playgrounds had to be renewed every 10 years.~~ [According to school safety regulations, playgrounds should be inspected and renovated regularly to ensure student safety.] Our playground has been here ~~before WWII~~ [for many decades]. As you are our ~~couniler~~ [councillor], you have the power to help us rebuild our playground. We really do need help rebuilding it. We can send you photos of our "Bermuda Triangle," where you rarely get out without needing an ambulance.

#1 ~~Our school definitely deserves the rights to feel safe. It says in the book of CHILD RIGHTS that children have the right to feel safe.~~ [Our school students deserve to feel safe when using playground equipment. According to children's rights principles, all students have the right to a safe learning environment.] You especially emphasized that children rights would be respected on your campaign, and I hope you won't let us down. Thank you for your time reading this letter.

Sincerely,

Bob (I'm also called Bob)