

Section 1:

#1: First paragraph Strengths: Your opening effectively establishes the argument with a relatable scenario. You clearly articulate your position with a specific time (10:00 am) and preview your three main points. Weakness: Underdeveloped hook → Your opening question has potential but doesn't fully engage the reader or establish the significance of the issue. You've introduced your argument quickly without building sufficient context about why this matters beyond personal convenience. Exemplar: *"Imagine dragging yourself out of bed at 6:00 am, your mind foggy and your body craving more rest, knowing you'll spend the next six hours trying to absorb complex information. This daily struggle affects millions of students across the country, compromising both their wellbeing and academic performance."*

#2: Second paragraph Strengths: Your reference to scientific studies strengthens your argument. You effectively link sleep deprivation to specific classroom consequences (loss of concentration, dizziness). Weakness: Lack of specific evidence → While you mention "scientific studies," you don't provide specific data points, researcher names, or institutions to substantiate your claims about sleep deprivation effects. Exemplar: *"According to research by the Sleep Foundation, adolescents who start school before 8:30 am are 33% more likely to experience decreased cognitive function and struggle with information retention throughout the school day."*

#3: Third paragraph Strengths: You address a practical concern (tardiness) and provide a realistic scenario (traffic delays) that many readers would relate to. Weakness: Logical inconsistency → Your reasoning contains a contradiction; you state students would "get ready earlier" if school started later, but this conflicts with your overall argument about having more time to rest and prepare. Exemplar: *"With a 10:00 am start time, the morning rush would be significantly reduced. Students would have ample time to prepare thoroughly and commute during less congested hours, arriving at school alert and ready to learn rather than anxious and hurried."*

■ Your persuasive essay presents a clear position with three distinct supporting arguments, which gives your writing good structural foundation. However, your arguments would benefit from more detailed evidence and real-world examples to

strengthen your case. Your repetitive concluding sentences in each paragraph dilute the impact of your points and make the writing seem formulaic. Additionally, you could establish a stronger emotional connection with readers by more vividly illustrating the negative consequences of early start times on student health, academic performance, and family dynamics. Try varying your sentence structure and incorporating more compelling statistics or expert opinions to make your argument more convincing. Also, consider addressing potential counterarguments—such as concerns about after-school activities or parent work schedules—to demonstrate that you've thought deeply about the issue. This would show readers that your position is well-reasoned and accounts for various perspectives.

Overall Score: 43/50

Section 2:

Why Schools Should Start Later In The Morning

You wake up every day at eight ~~am~~ [a.m.] in the morning five days each week. You are all tired but you know you must wake up and get ready for school. How frustrated would you be not being able to sleep in and rest for longer? I strongly recommended [recommend] that all schools should change the time kids start to 10:00 ~~am~~ [a.m.]. This is because students won't be as tired when they arrive at school, they would be ready and not be late for school, and kids would be able to sleep in for a longer period of time. #1

First and foremost, schools should start later in the morning because ~~they~~ [students] won't be as tired for school. Have a think of having to wake up from a nice sleep just to go to school. Not only is this extremely annoying, you would have to go to school tired because you didn't get enough rest. According to scientific studies, lack of sleep and feeling tired when you go to school sometimes means you lose concentration. You can also feel extremely dizzy at times and you can mentally drift off at times during class. My first reason why ~~school~~ [schools] should start later in the morning is because students will not be as tired when they arrive at school. #2

Additionally, I believe schools should start later in the morning at ten ~~a.m.~~ [a.m.] because students would be ready for school and won't be late. You wake up at eight but you have to quickly eat breakfast and get changed. Once you complete all of this, you have to either walk to school or drive to school. You are feeling great that you will arrive at school on time but something stops you on the way. Traffic. If school started later, students would be able to get ready earlier and arrive at school on time. My second reason why schools should start later in the morning is because kids would be ready on time and they would not be late for school. #3

Furthermore, schools should start later in the morning so that kids will get the opportunity to sleep for a longer period of time. ~~Waking up early in the morning and you don't get enough sleep.~~ [Waking up early in the morning means you don't get enough sleep.] If schools start later in the morning, it allows kids to be able to sleep in and rest for longer. Resting longer will make you concentrate more in class and you won't be as tired when you arrive at school. My final reason why I believe schools should start later in the morning at ten ~~a.m.~~ [a.m.] is because kids can sleep in and get better rest.

To summarise, I strongly ~~recommended~~ [recommend] that all schools should start at ten ~~am~~ [a.m.] in the morning because kids won't be as tired when they arrive at school, they would be ready and not be late to classes, and kids can sleep in and get more rest. Would you agree with this?