Sample Response Paragraph (Agree)

Students should be required to wear a uniform to school

In "The school uniform question," the author (n.d.) argues that wearing a uniform should be mandatory for public school students. I agree with the author's argument. First, the author says that wearing a uniform simplifies a student's life because they don't have to choose what to wear every day (para. 2). I agree because sometimes there can be pressure to dress a certain way. Some students want to impress their classmates by wearing cool clothes, so they might spend a lot of time shopping and deciding their outfits. They feel stressed and spend too much time on their clothes and not enough time on their studies. As a result, their grades may decline. Second, the author claims that school uniforms encourage discipline (para. 4), and I agree with this point based on my own experience. In my school, everyone wore uniforms and we felt like people going to our jobs, like adult professionals. Wearing a uniform reminded us that we had to follow other rules at school. After school we changed clothes, and we felt more relaxed, so we didn't worry as much about following rules when we were in our other clothes. It is important to practice following rules in order to become responsible, and wearing a uniform is a good way to remind people to behave maturely. To sum up, I believe that students should wear uniforms at school because it helps them to avoid stress and to practice good discipline.

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