Pick Our Community Improvement!

As students, we spend a lot of time on campus. Most of us are proud to attend our school, but we recognize that the school is not perfect. It’s up to your group to figure out one way to improve something on campus. After you do this, you will present your idea or invention to the class. Here are your instructions:

1. Get into groups of five or six.

2. Start by brainstorming aspects of the campus community that could be improved upon. This could include food services, computer lab availability, parking, etc. If your group has more than one idea, use persuasion to convince your peers to pick the one you like best.

3. Next, brainstorm an idea/invention/etc. that could help fix this problem. You will also need to consider where you will get your money for this solution.

4. Now work on building a very brief presentation to show these ideas to the class. Everyone in your group must speak during the presentation. As always, your presentation should have an introduction, body, and conclusion. Your group should use a problem-solution or problem-cause-solution pattern.

5. After your speech has an introduction, body, and conclusion, examine your outline to be sure you are using the persuasion techniques discussed in the textbook. Remember, credibility can help your speech stand out amongst the rest. Consider the type of audience you may have in response to your speech. And do not forget to use proper support for your claims. Your presentation should be no longer than five to seven minutes.

6. Give your presentation!

7. At the end, the entire class will vote on which idea they would adopt based on the speeches provided.

Time: Approx. 30–45 minutes