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Date: _____

Teacher _____

Writing prompt:

Should students be paid to do well in school?

Support your position with clear and specific examples, following the model we used in class for the debate. Use at least 3 target words in your response.

Dear [name of principal at your school]:

I am writing you this letter to let you know my opinion on **compensating** students to do well in school. I believe that students should NOT be paid to get good grades or to do well on standardized tests. Throughout their lives, students will **encounter** challenges, and they will need **persistence** to work through these challenges. If students are only **motivated** to study by money or other rewards, they will not learn the value of hard work, and they will not develop the skills they need to face other challenges in life. In conclusion, I think it would be a mistake for you to **implement** a plan to **compensate** students for their performance in school.

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