

Teen Declaration of Independence

During the course of human history teenagers have always been treated like animals and never have the right to speak out or do anything to uphold the school district. The students of today's society have absolutely no right or say in anything the school district chooses to put in for a rule system, so we will gain the ability able to choose our own rule system. Today, we the student body, are breaking away from the adults of the school district in an act to gain rights and be treated like human beings.

We, The teens of Spring Valley High School, that we are as equal as the adults at Spring Valley High and demand we be treated with the utmost respect. The adults have been treating us with disrespect and treating us like we're barbaric and unintelligent. We, the students, deserve to have the right to modify or permute the institution that the adults that run it call "School" We have put up with this manipulation far to long, in this institution that the adults shove down our throats and expect us not to retaliate, well they're wrong. We will retaliate, and we will do it with such great feedback that they will have no choice but to give us our wishes. Let these demands be executed and seen by the people.

The teachers of this institution have been denying us the respect we deserve as young adults. We deserve respect for the amount of hours and labor we put into this unethical institution we call "School"

They force upon us the most inhumane amount of homework with sometimes not even correctly teaching us the material that we are "learning" Teacher give us too much homework and it is very hard for some students to be able to juggle multiple classes at once. They have had this job in this institution for countless years so they should be able to teach us the material with little to no effort and have it still be understandable.

They force us and expect us to listen to these impractical rules, one of them being no hats or hoods in this institution. I believe that we should be able to express ourselves with hats or hoods. I believe that we should be able to have hoods up or wear hats because some kids have bad hair days and don't want people to see their hair, or maybe they're head is cold and they want something to cover it up. Or they might also think they look better with their hood up or are trying to impress someone, or maybe they just want to have it up because they don't want to talk to anyone that day. Maybe they just want to have it up for a fashion statement. We have been trying to have the

ability to wear our hoods and hats for countless years but the adults in this institution have done absolutely nothing but turn us down about it. We firmly believe that we should be able to have hats or hoods up in this despicable institution.

They have taken away our right for an open campus. Years ago the students here had open campus but they then took that right away and ever since we have been trying to get that right back. They keep denying our right to have an open campus to get a better lunch for example, there is a Subway down the road, some students would love to go down there and get Subway for lunch and come back and eat it there, or there is a McDonalds in Baldwin only ten minutes away. They do not allow us to leave if we have a free hour during the day.

They do not give us the right to be able to leave during 8th hour if we are green level. Some students don't want to be there all day and some have jobs right after school. So if that student is green level we firmly believe that we should have the right to be able to leave at the start of 8th hour and sign out of the school so they can either go home or go to work. Some students shouldn't have to be at school for the whole day and they won't allow that student to leave when they don't have any classes left and that is just flat out wrong.

The adults here have very high expectations for us students. Periodically we have to make it fun here otherwise we will lose our mind. Literally. They expect us to act like robots and have no emotions and do everything perfectly to their standards and that is absurd because we are teenagers and we need to have fun every once in a while so we do not go crazy. For example periodic all school field trips or a free day to do anything you want in the school like watch movies, play games, go in the gym.

They give us an absurd amount of homework and expect us to do it in a short amount of time. Some adults give us homework and expect us to be able to finish it by the next day when some students have sports or have a job and have other homework in other classes and we might not get home until 10, 11, or even 12 o'clock at night and then we have to finish all our homework that is due the following day and that is just absurd and illogical and just has me dumbfounded by the fact that teachers and adults expect us to finish 35+ problem math assignments or 2+ chapter reading assignments or a whole essay in a matter of 3 days. It's just inexplicably hard to do everything in such little amounts of time.

Therefore, We, the teenagers at Spring Valley High School ask that the adults and authority figures to give us all of our demands and carry them out immediately. We declare that we have the right to the right amount of

respect, the right of having lesser homework, the right to have hats and hoods up in this ungodly institution, the right to have an open campus, the right to be able to leave during 8th hour or "WIN" time, an unimaginable amount of high expectations that are given to us, and the preposterous amount of homework. We declare that we are pledging to our rights as a United States citizen that are given to us that the authority figures at Spring Valley High School take in our demands.