

These assignments are due before you may start your YTY placement!

YTY Ideal Classroom Assignment

Your 1st assignment is to write a nine paragraph 500 word paper on your ideal classroom. A paragraph should be developed on **each** of the first 9 sections listed below. The 10th section will be a drawing of the physical layout of your ideal classroom. You will receive a possible two points for each paragraph and for the drawing. **Spelling and grammatical errors will result in a loss of points!** All papers should be typed in size 12 font (double spaced) and neat in appearance. Some of the more common topics to be discussed for each section are listed.

1st section - introductory paragraph of your idea of the perfect classroom

(you may want to consider age level, grade, size of school, type of school, etc.)

2nd section – describe the physical layout on your ideal classroom

(location, desks, tables, centers, windows, floors, lights, computers, smart board, etc.)

3rd section – create a daily/weekly time schedule of your ideal classroom

(start/end time, specials, centers, whole group, small group, periods, block, mod, etc.)

4th section – portray the class make up of your ideal classroom

(ethnic groups, gender, number of students, special needs, diversity of staff, etc.)

5th section – specify the dress and accessory code of your ideal classroom

(appropriate clothing/uniforms, inappropriate clothing/accessories, cell phones, etc.)

6th section – detail the yearly school calendar of your ideal classroom

(traditional, year round, vacations, breaks, holidays, number of days of school, etc.)

7th section – depict the curriculum taught in your ideal classroom

(academics, arts, technology, behavioral, ethical, religious, field trip, after school, etc.)

8th section – characterize the type of instruction teachers would use

(computerized, hands on, lecture, labs, videos, boards, overheads, discussion, etc.)

9th section – paint a picture of the atmosphere of your ideal classroom

(help the reader to understand how they would feel as a part of your classroom)

10th section - drawing of the physical layout of your ideal classroom

- label all components in your diagram

I realize that many of the ideas and information you choose to write on will reflect your personal opinions. You will not be downgraded for expressing your personal opinions. However, explanations and rationales that substantiate why you would choose to create the classroom you are writing about **will** be expected. **Be prepared** to orally share your paper during class.

3 YTY Education Summaries

For your second assignment, please write **three** summaries based on any three education articles of your choosing. You may use the 3 poems found in your YTY folder or you may find 3 articles in a current educational magazine or online. If you choose to use an article from a magazine or from the internet, please make a copy of it or print it out and include it with your summary.

Your scores will be based on a 5 point rubric and averaged together. One point will be possible for each of the first two content paragraphs. Two points will be possible for the third paragraph. One point will also be given based on the overall grammar and appearance of your typed, size 12 font (double-spaced) paper.

- **The first paragraph should be a written summary of the article.**
- **The second paragraph should elaborate on what was meaningful or what spoke to you in the article.**
- **The third paragraph should deal with how this article applies to tutoring youth.**

I realize that much of the summary you write will be a reflection of your personal opinions. You will not be downgraded for expressing your personal opinions. However, explanations and rationales that substantiate your reflections **will** be expected.

All About Me Introductory Paragraph

Your third assignment is to write an informational paragraph describing yourself. This will contain details that you should expect to share with your YTY classroom and their families. Facts you might want to share could include what schools you have attended, who is in your family, pets, your hobbies, activities you participate in, jobs you have, why you want to be a tutor, favorite things, places you have been, etc. This assignment will be worth 5 points.