**SAMPLE PERSUASIVE WRITING PROMPT**

**Time: 45 Minutes**

The school board is considering adopting a policy that would require students to maintain at least a B grade in all classes in order to participate in sports or other after-school clubs and activities. Some students support this decision; others oppose it. The principal is preparing to report to the school board on the policy. The principal wants to hear students’ opinions. Each student is asked to write an essay either supporting or opposing the proposal on requiring a certain grade to participate in extracurricular activities. Think about how you feel. What are the advantages of this policy? What are the disadvantages? Explain if you think this policy is fair or not. Do you think the policy should be adopted?

Write an essay explaining your position on the policy. Use examples and other evidence to support your position.