**Name:**

**Date:**

**School:**

**Facilitator:**

8.04 Dear City Council

**Directions: Write a 2-3 paragraph letter to your local city council person or county commissioner to convince them to try an alternative method of disposing solid wastes in your city’s landfill. Use the template below to write a letter in the correct format. The letter will be graded for correct grammar in addition to content. See the rubric at the bottom of your letter template to see how the letter will be graded.**

**In your letter:**

* **Address the problem that landfills can cause to the environment and humans and their limits as a source/place for solid waste/garbage disposal.**
* **Choose either a recycling or composting program that you propose the city or county implement.**
* **Describe how the program will work (how composting or recycling is done)**
* **Describe benefits that the program will have for the city/county, the environment, and the citizens.**
* **Use the 8.04 Discussion—your posts, your feedback to others, and others feedback to you—to help you write the letter**

Date:

Dear City Council,

Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to hearing back from you.

Sincerely,

Your Name:

# 8.04 Dear City Council Letter Rubric

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|  | **Not Included** | **Partially Included** | **Included/Explained Fully** |  |
| Environmental Problems | 0 pts | 4pts (only air pollution or only water pollution) | 8pts (both air and water pollution) |
| Alternative Program Identified | 0 pts |  | 4pts |
| Alternative Program explained | 0 pts | 4pts | 8pts |
| Benefits of Alternative program to Environment | 0 pts | 4pts | 8pts |
|  | **5 or more mistakes** | **2-4 mistakes** | **0-1 mistakes** |
| Correct Grammar/Usage | 0 pts | 2 pts | 6 pts |
| Correct Mechanics | 0 pts | 2pts | 6 pts |
|  |  |  | **Total Points** | 40 pts |