

1 geometry.

2 6. Our classes are really crowded. In my science class last year, we had ^{around} 40 students.
3 We mostly worked in groups because we didn't have enough room in the class for each of us to do
4 our own projects. And during my freshman year, we had 40 or 45 students in my PE class almost
5 the whole year. I know the PE classes are still too crowded, but this year I had zero period PE, so
6 my class was not too crowded.

7 7. In my U.S. history class this last year, we didn't have any books to use at all, not even
8 to use in class. The teacher had a book and we just took notes off what the teacher said in class.
9 Sometimes the teacher handed out photocopies from the book and gave us handouts for homework.
10 It would have been easier to learn the history if we had books we could read ourselves.

11 8. The Spanish books we used in class this last year were all torn up and were missing
12 pages. Sometimes the teacher would tell us to turn to a particular page and that page wouldn't be
13 in the book.

14 9. We could take home one of the Spanish books for homework, but we didn't have
15 enough of the second book we used in class for us to be able to take that book home, too. It would
16 have helped to have been able to take home the other book, too, because that book had little stories
17 and questions and activities to work on in it. I would have liked to have been able to study from that
18 book, too.

19 10. The school doesn't have enough computers—the school doesn't even have one in every
20 classroom. The ones we do have are super old.

21 11. We also don't have enough copy machines. A few times a month in both my U.S.
22 history and world civilizations classes, the teachers told us that they had been planning to give us
23 homework but they couldn't get to the copy machine so they didn't have copies made. The teachers
24 said there were only two copy machines in the whole school, so there were long lines for teachers
25 to wait in to get to the copiers.

26 12. Sometimes the bathrooms were not clean and they often didn't have toilet paper or
27 paper towels. The bathrooms were all tagged up with graffiti.

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1 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing
2 is true and correct. Executed on July 31, 2000 at Watsonville, California.

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