



JAMES H. BOWEN HIGH SCHOOL'S TARGETED INSTRUCTIONAL AREA

# ARGUMENTATIVE LITERACY

## What Is Argumentative Literacy?

An academic skill that combines analytical thinking and critical literacy.

## Why Is It Bowen's Targeted Instructional Area?

College above all is an argument culture, so college readiness means being able to read, write, make, and respond to strong arguments.

## How Do Students Demonstrate Argumentative Literacy?

- (1) Formulate a position in response to a debatable issue.
- (2) Create claims to develop the position.
- (3) Support claims with credible and sufficient evidence and convincing reasoning.
- (4) Refute counter-arguments.

