

Georgia Milestones and MY Access!® Rubric Alignment Argument Grades 6-8

GA Milestones- Argument	MY Access! Persuasive/Argument
<p>Idea Development/Organization/Coherence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effectively introduces claim(s) • Organizes supporting reasons and relevant evidence clearly • Supports claim(s) with clear reasons and relevant evidence using specific, well-chosen facts, details, or other information from credible sources and demonstrating a good understanding of the topic or texts • Uses words, phrases, or clauses effectively to connect ideas and clarify relationships among claim(s) and reasons, and evidence • Establishes and maintains formal style that is appropriate for the task, purpose, and audience • Provides a strong concluding statement or section that logically follows from the argument presented • Acknowledges and counters opposing claim(s), as appropriate (7,8) <p>Language Usage and Conventions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effectively varies sentence patterns for meaning, reader/listener interest, and style <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shows command of language and conventions when writing • Any errors in usage and conventions do not interfere with meaning 	<p>Organization/Focus and Purpose</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very effectively demonstrates a cohesive and unified structure that supports the logical progression of ideas. • Contains an engaging introduction and an insightful conclusion. • Uses effective and skillful paragraphing and transitional strategies throughout. • Demonstrates a thorough and insightful understanding of the task, purpose, and audience. • Establishes and maintains a precise claim to argue the issue presented in the task. • Completes all parts of the task and may go beyond the limits of the task. <p>Content Development/Elaboration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very effectively develops arguments with logical reasoning and adeptly integrates relevant details and/or source-based evidence to support the writer’s claims. • Uses a variety of elaborative techniques. • Convincingly addresses opposing claims or counterarguments. <p>Language Use, Voice and Style/Mechanics and Conventions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrates a very effective style and tone, precise control of language, domain-specific word choice, and an exceptional awareness of audience. • Uses well-structured and varied sentences. • Contains few or no errors in grammar, mechanics, punctuation, and spelling.