Argument Rubric

Argument Component	1 **Does not meet expectations**	2 **Needs improvement**	3 **Approaching expectations**	4 **Meets expectations**	5 **Exceeds expectations**
Claim (x2)	I did not state a claim or take a stance, nor did I imply agreement or disagreement.	I implied agreement or disagreement but I didn't clearly state a claim.	I stated a claim but did not clearly agree or disagree.	I stated a claim and took a stance in agreement or disagreement.	I stated a claim and took a stance that agrees with my argument.
Basis of Argument (x4)	Does not state a principle or definition.	Implies a principle or definition.	States a principle or definition.	Clearly states a principle or definition that is widely regarded as valid.	Clearly states a principle or definition and cites the source.
Evidence (Grounds) (x5)	I did not use any evidence to support my claim.	I used limited evidence and it does not clearly or fully support my claim.	I used some evidence but it is not detailed enough to fully support my claim.	I used appropriate and detailed evidence to fully support my claim. - Expressions - Equations - Pictures - Graphs	I used appropriate and detailed evidence to fully support my claim. Verified solution with 2nd strategy from previous column.
Reasoning (x5)	I did not include statements in order to describe my evidence.	I included statements which do not fully describe evidence.	I included a series of statements which describe and explain evidence.	I clearly justified my stance by including clear statements to lead the reader from the claim through the evidence.	I clearly justified my stance by including clear, logical and organized statements to lead the reader from the claim through the evidence to a conclusion.
Accuracy (x3)	I did not include any evidence to support my claim.	I made some mathematical and/or representational errors that make my argument hard to follow.	I made some mathematical and/or representational errors but my argument is sound.	My evidence is sound and correct.	N/A
Writing Mechanics (x2)	I did not include a written explanation.	My written explanation contains spelling and grammar mistakes that impact the understanding of my argument.	My written explanation contained few spelling and/or grammar mistakes.	My written explanation is complete and uses grade appropriate spelling and grammar.	N/A