FEATURE ARTICLE

ARGUMENT WRITING UNIT

Essential Questions

1. How do we draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, reflection or research?

2. How can we use research to answer a question or support a claim?

3. How can we use technology to develop and publish our writing?

What is a Feature Article?

A **feature article** is a combination of fact and opinion, designed to entertain and inform the reader about current, relevant issues.

The ability to make a **claim** and **argue** for or against it requires that one be knowledgeable about a **topic**.

How do we get there?

After selecting topics and choosing an **angle** on that topic, we will **research** our angles in order to support our claims

Where will we get information?

We will learn to use Points of View, an online database, and distinguish between valid and invalid sources on the Internet.

After research?

We will learn how to **organize** our opinions and support them with facts found through our research as we draft our articles

Counterarguments

Being mindful of our **audience**, we will **compare and contrast** our opinions to the **counterpoint** found during our research.

Finished Products

Upon completion of our feature article, we will **publish** our writing **online** and/or through **oral presentation**, sharing our views with a wider audience