**Paragraph #1 INTRO – 3-4 sentences**

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| 1. **Hook** (interesting questions, statement or fact). NO OPINION YET!!!

*Graduation . . .*  |
| 1. **Background** (use 1-2 sentences to describe what a body cam is and who uses and why). OPINION YET!!!

*Some laws require . . .*  |
| 1. **Claim** (Answer – Should we require students to stay in school until they are 18?)

*The government should/should not . . .*  |

**Paragraph #2 BODY 5-7 sentences**

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| **Topic Sentence** (general sentence Pro school)*There are many reasons why students . . .* |
| 1. **Evidence #1** (Quote one source)

*According to . . .*  |
| 1. **Explain further (don’t repeat)**

*This evidence suggests . . .*  |
| 1. **Evidence #2**

*Another reason is that . . .*  |
| 1. **Explain further (don’t repeat)**

*This example shows . . .*  |
| 1. **Evidence #3**

*A third reason we should . . .*  |
| 1. **Explain further (don’t repeat)**

*If we do this . . .*  |
| 1. **Concluding sentence**

*As you can see . . .*  |

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| **(Additional Body Paragraph)*****Intermediate/Advance students can add another paragraph with additional evidence here.*** |

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| **Paragraph #3 Counter Argument**1. **Topic Sentence** (State the other side’s strongest reason)

*Some say that students . . .*  |
| 1. **Reason for the opposing side**(cite a source)

*They say this because . . .*  |
| 1. **Rebuttal (refute other side)**

*This is not a good reason because. .*  |
| 1. **Concluding sentence (restate your position)**

*Overall, it is obvious that . . .*  |

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| **Paragraph #4 Counter Argument**1. **Concluding Sentence** (Summarize your main 3 supporting reasons)

*To summarize, the government . . .*  |
| 1. **Call to Action** (invite the reader to support you)

*We all need . . .* |
| 1. **Dire Warning** (Warn what might happen in the future if the other side wins)

*If we don’t . . .* |