**Analytic Paragraph**

* Claim/topic sentence
* Evidence or details from text (support the claim)
* Analysis goes beyond the details and looks at: how and why ideas, images, symbols, words function or mean what they do. Considers: so what does this mean, what difference does it make.
* Be sure to include transition to the next piece of evidence and analysis, evidence or details from text (support the claim)
* Analysis
* Conclusion: insight regarding claims and analysis

**Analytic Arguments**

* The argument has a clearly stated conclusion.
* Everything within the argument is directed toward supporting the final conclusion.
* The argument uses a reasonable degree of evidence appropriate to its conclusion.
* Explains fallacies, inconsistencies, detects and refutes bias if present.
* The argument expresses an understanding of the complexity of an issue.
* The argument analyzes, evaluates, refutes counterarguments.
* The argument examines the implications of its conclusion.