**Persuasive Speech Ideas**

1. Should students be allowed to have cell phones in elementary and high schools?

2. Should students have to wear uniforms?

3. Should kids be allowed on facebook before age 14?

4. Is detention fair?

5. Should state colleges be free to attend?

6. Should all American citizens have to complete a year of community service?

7. Should students be required to take Spanish classes?

8. Should the school day be longer or shorter?

9. Should you obey the speed limit?

10. Should the driving age be raised to twenty-one?

11. Should students be paid for having good grades?

12. Why smokers should quit smoking?

13. Should not wearing a seat-belt be illegal?

14. Should student’s textbooks be replaced by notebook computers?

15. Should students have to pass a basic skills test to graduate high school?

16. Should schools raise money by selling candy and sugary soft drinks to students?

17. Should kids be allowed on facebook before age 14?

18. Should students’ grades in gym affect their grade point averages?

19. Should girls be allowed to play on boys sports teams?

20. Is there too much violence in video games?

21. Should recycling be mandatory?

22. Should we look up to celebrities?

23. Should our country have a universal health care program?

24. Should animals be kept in zoos?

25. Should every child have a pet?

26. Should people who download music and movies illegally be punished?

27. Should school athletes have to be on the honor roll to play in games?

28. Should everyone play sports?

29. Should every kid eat fruits and vegetables every day?

30. Should students be able to listen to MP3 players on headphones during study hall?

31. Should schools offer fast food options like McDonald’s or Taco Bell?

32. Why people should drink water instead of soda?

33. Should cities offer free public Wi-Fi?

34. Should the government place a tax on junk food and fatty snacks?

35. Should the 2nd amendment give citizens the right to own assault weaponry?

36. Should schools start later in the morning?

37. Should high school students have to complete community service hours to graduate?

38. Should teachers have to pass a basic skills test every ten years to renew their certification?

39. Should people be allowed to keep exotic animals like chimpanzees or tigers?

40. Should state tests be given in other languages for ESL students?

41. Should students as young as 14 be allowed to hold jobs?

42. Should more be done to protect and preserve endangered animals?

43. Should teachers have to wear uniforms or have a dress code?

44. Should talking on a cell phone( without a hands-free device while driving be illegal?

45. Why you should brush your teeth every morning?

46. Why it is wrong to litter or throw trash out of the car window?

47. Why smoke detectors should be kept in every room?

48. Why UFO’s do or do not exist?

49. Should people watch more or less TV?

50. Should there be tougher federal restrictions for content on the internet?

51. Why good manners are important.