Persuade the Judges for \$1,000,000!

- 1. Instructor chooses 5–7 judges that bring their desks to the front of the room. The desks will be in a straight line facing the rest of the students.
- 2. The remainder of the students will be divided into two groups.
- 3. Each group should gather in a small circle toward the back of the classroom.
- 4. Once everyone gets organized, the two teams will come up with team names, which the instructor writes on the board.
- 5. The goal for each group is to persuade the judges to give them \$1,000,000 to improve their campus using either the problem, cause, solution persuasive format or the three argument format.
- 6. The groups have 15 minutes to come up with a plan to persuade the judges as to why their team deserves the money to improve their campus.
- 7. The teams either come up with one idea together or they each have one idea per team member.
- 8. When the time is up, they pick a representative to come to the front of the class. The teams then toss a coin to decide who will argue their points first.
- 9. The winning team comes to the front of the classroom and persuades the judges of their plan. Each member of the team should say something.
- 10. After the first team is done, the second team faces the judges.
- 11. When they are done, the judges deliberate in the hallway to decide who will receive the money. The winning team should have the best format and ability to follow directions.
- 12. The judges come back into the classroom and announce the winner.