

Syllabus for Government (12th Grade)

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Google Classroom (Message and Comment)
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Homework assignments and special announcements will be posted on Google Classroom. The phone number listed is for the school office. If needed, you can leave a message for me with the office personnel. All grade information is available to students and parents by using the Aeries Gradebook system.

Course Description

This course will require students to apply the knowledge gained through other social science classes to broaden the understanding of American government. Students will examine the history of varied societies to gain increased understanding of different systems of government. This is a capstone course designed to prepare students for the civic responsibilities of voting, citizenship, and community.

Materials Required

Students are required to bring Chromebooks, binder, pen, and paper, to every class.

Course Goals [The learner will... TLW]

- understand the concepts found in the Constitution and the Bill of Rights
- increase vocabulary and knowledge of civic relevance.
- develop the student's knowledge of the nation's courts and governmental processes.
- demonstrate understanding of the Executive, Judicial and Legislative branches of government.
- understand Federalism
- compare different types of governments found around the world.
- examine contemporary issues in the world today

Assignments

Assignments are posted on Google Classroom.

- Students will have frequent homework assignments.
- Unit projects
- Textbook reading
- Current Events
- Videos
- Quizzes/tests

Grading

- **Using the Internet, parents and students can check grades at any time using the Aeries gradebook program. Contact the school for instructions and information. 336-5515**
- Test dates will be announced in class. Additionally, students will be given some test preparation time during class
- Evaluation will be done through a mixture of participation, quizzes, writing assignments, tests, and projects.
- Assignments or assessments submitted with no name will receive only 50% credit

Grading Scale

97-100% of total points	=A+
94-96%	=A
90-93%	=A-
87-89%	=B+
84-86%	=B
80-83%	=B-
77-79%	=C+
74-76%	=C
70-73%	=C-
67-69%	=D+
64-66%	=D
60-63%	=D-
< 60	=F

Inappropriate Behavior (discipline)

- Verbal warning
- Detention
- Referral to administration
- Suspension

Note: Any of the above steps can be skipped at the discretion of the teacher.

Come to Class Prepared

Leaving class for any reason will result in the issuance of a tardy. Two tardies will result in a detention. This includes leaving class to retrieve a book, notebook, pen, pass, etc...

Make-up

No make up work. In the event of an excused absence, the student will have the same number of days to complete the missing assignment as were missed. (e.g. If a student is absent two days the student will have two days to complete the missing assignment). **This includes school-sponsored activities.** No make up work for unexcused absences or suspension.

Academic Honesty

Cheating and/or plagiarism. Cheating is defined as the giving or receiving of assistance. You are expected to do your own work. You may not copy (plagiarize) from another student, internet site, book, etc... All assignments are considered individual unless otherwise specified.

Cell Phones

Cell phones are not allowed in class. If you are caught with a cell phone in class, (or in the hallway) the phone will be confiscated and disciplinary action will follow in accordance with the district's cell phone policy.

Class Rules

There are many, however, these are a few of the major ones. (1) My desk, chair, and computer are off limits! (2) You must use a blue or black ink pen for all assignments! Work submitted in pencil will be returned ungraded. (3) I reserve the right to modify the rules as needed. (4) No sleeping in class. (5) You may not complete work from another class without my express permission.