
American Government

31-306A/B

Overview

This course is taught over 2 trimesters and provides a thorough examination of American Government at the national level primarily, as well as some state & local government to prepare for the end of course state exam. Time is also spent on relevant current events.

Goals

1. Understand the function of government at all 3 levels.
2. Identify the branches of government, their leaders, and functions.
3. Understand various historical documents/readings relevant to American government.
4. Identify the powers [concurrent, expressed (enumerated), and reserved] of government.
5. Understand the importance of voting, civic engagement & public policy.
6. Full understanding and some analysis of the Constitution, Bill of Rights, relevant Supreme Court decisions, and fundamental principles.
7. Identify & keep track of current events.

Requirements

JOIN Google Class...code 183zxc2. And use [Miller's Learning Cave](#)

PARTICIPATE –Participation may be worth about 10% of your final grade. Participating is contributing to class by answering/asking questions, adding personal knowledge and/or bringing current events to the discussion and assisting others. **It is NOT** showing up & occupying a seat.

SUPPLIES: Folder, pens/pencils, red pen, highlighter, Chromebook

TIPS: Complete all assignments, study for all tests.

EVALUATION – Assessments, assignments, participation.

EXTRA CREDIT is available by completing political cartoon analysis assignments and/or *Prager U* assignments – see handouts /[Miller's Learning Cave](#) website.

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Periods 1 & 5

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Planning: 3rd hour Lunch: A

Class website:

<http://millerslearningcave.weebly.com/>

Google Classroom Code: 183zxc2

Materials

Text: Various Online Websites
Supplemental information provided as needed.

Extra Info

GRADING SCALE

A+ 98-100 / A 93-97 / A- 90-92

B+ 87-89 / B 83-86 / B- 80-82

C+ 77-79 / C 73-76 / C- 70-72

D+ 67-69 / D 63-66 / D- 60-62

F 0-59

Scores are NOT rounded up.

FINAL REMARKS

- **Keep all papers, notes, etc.**
- **Keep track of your grades online.**
- **See me for assistance if you are falling behind or having difficulties.**
- **Late assignments are not generally accepted.**
- **Makeups are ALWAYS during lunch or after school.**
- **If you are absent, contact me via email/text to find out what you've missed and need to make up.**
- **It's important to stay current and NOT GET BEHIND!**