



Estacado Early College High School Syllabus Instructions 2022-2023

AP US Government

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Textbook - AMSCO Advanced Placement United States Government and Politics

Requirements

- All students enrolled in AP classes are required to take associated AP Tests in Spring.
- Be in classroom, in assigned seat before tardy bell rings.

Expectations

- Be respectful to each other, to visitors, to teacher, and yourself.
- This is a college level course with college level assignments, grading, and expectations for behavior.
- Every day you are expected to have a writing utensil, your course folder, and a charged chromebook.

Class Policy - Technology

- Cell phones are **Off** and put away at all times in classroom. (includes using smart watches and airpods)
- Students must have chromebooks charged and available every day.

Class Policy - Passes

- No passes during first 15 minutes of class nor during 5th period.
- No more than one student of each gender allowed to go to restroom at a time; never during teacher-led discussion or lecture.

Class Policy - Make-up/Retest Policy

- Students who are absent for any reason are responsible for finding out what they missed and ensuring work is completed. Generally only a day for each Excused Absence will be allowed without penalty of grade deduction.
- Make-up work will be in designated folders
- Make-up work must be turned in within allotted time
- Any test score below an 80 may be retested between 5-10 calendar days with a maximum possible score of 80.

Class Policy - Late Work

- 10 points will be deducted for each day late and no late work will be accepted after the 8th school day from due date.

Class Policy - Tardiness

- If you are late to class you will be assigned lunch detention - Expect it

Grade Distribution

Unit Tests - 40%

Vocabulary Quiz- 20%

Courts Case Summaries - 20%

Current event assignments - 10%

Foundational document assignments - 10%

Various Opportunities for civics-related extra credit throughout year if NO missing assignments.

Tutorial times -

- Tuesday and Wednesday mornings at 7:45 (prior arrangements must be made with instructor to receive a pass)

Course Requirements and Assignments - This is a college level course designed to prepare students to take the AP US Government test in May and perform successfully.

The following is a breakdown of the major units of the course:

- Unit 1 Foundations of American Democracy
- Unit 2 - Interactions Among Branches of Government
- Unit 3 - Civil Liberties and Civil Rights
- Unit 4 - American Political Ideologies and Beliefs
- Unit 5 - Political Participation

Please turn in this part by Friday, August 18th.

I, hereby, understand what is expected out of me as a student and I understand how my teacher is going to implement and enforce school and classroom policies. I will do my best to give my best and follow classroom policies, procedures, and rules to the best of my ability.

Student Print Name: _____

I, hereby, understand what is expected out of my student and I understand how my child's teacher is going to implement and enforce school and classroom policies. I acknowledge I am being given the teachers contact information so that I can contact her. I also acknowledge that the teacher will be making contact with the parents in events of excessive absences, grade decreases, positive behavior as well as misbehavior.

Parent Print Name:

Parent Signature:

Parent Email Address _____

Parent Phone Number _____