**AP Government and Politics (2022-2023)**

Required Summer Assignment – Jordan High School

**Reason and Rationale**

The consequence of having AP Government and Politics in the Spring semester is that we will only have 60 school days to complete the content before we start reviewing for the AP Exam. As a result, we feel it is necessary to have a summer/fall assignment due on the first day of our class. We have intentionally chosen material which covers the unit on “American Political Culture,” as it provides not only the opportunity to set up the rest of the course but is accessible to students who have not yet taken the course. Additionally, the format (primarily reading and videos) provides for a general understanding of the material.

**Expectations & Requirements**

* Political Ideology
  + Watch and take notes on [Political Ideology](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j_k_k-bHigM)
  + Complete this [Political Ideology Survey](http://www.youthleadership.net/econgress/political_ideology_survey) and [Political Typology Quiz](https://www.pewresearch.org/politics/quiz/political-typology/)
* Public Opinion
  + Read and take notes on [Chapter 6: Public Opinion and Political Action](http://mrliew.weebly.com/uploads/3/8/8/4/38844305/chapter_6_.pdf)
  + Watch and take notes on [Public Opinion](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WJLDgb8m3K0) and [Shaping Public Opinion](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NflULVECAFQ&list=RDLVWJLDgb8m3K0&index=2)
* Partisan Information: Media
  + Watch and take notes on [Media Institution](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6F0g4N415uw) and [Media Regulation](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f6LKl4RKIew)
  + Be familiar with current events from over the summer (optional)

**Grading & Due Date**All completed assignments should be submitted on Friday, January 20. This will include (1) notes from the 5 videos, (2) notes from the reading chapter, and (3) a copy of the results from each of the two ideology surveys. All assignments should be hand-written, and you are encouraged to follow [one of these provided note-taking systems](https://asc.calpoly.edu/ssl/notetakingsystems). Videos have both subtitles and transcripts. Assignments will be graded based on the quality of notes submitted. Students should expect an open-note quiz on this material during the first week of class.

**A Note of Caution**Everything submitted on the first day of class must be your own original work; consider this issue in all parts of the assignment. Failure to complete this individually or use of copied material, for example, is a violation of the honor code and will result in a failing grade on your assignment. Refer to the [honor policy on the JHS webpage](https://www.dpsnc.net/cms/lib/NC01911152/Centricity/Domain/666/honorpolicyeng.pdf) for further information.

**Questions/Concerns**If you have any questions over the summer, email Mr. McDonald at [brian\_mcdonald@dpsnc.net](mailto:brian_mcdonald@dpsnc.net) or Mr. O’Keefe at [brian\_okeefe@dpsnc.net](mailto:brian_okeefe@dpsnc.net). Questions during the fall semester should be addressed in person; both teachers can be found on the 400 hallway.