

**Government Class**

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1st Semester Preps: 4th and 7th Periods

Teacher Contact Hours 6:30am-3:45pm

**Grading Scale**

A	93-100
A-	90-92
B+	88-89
B	83-87
B-	80-82
C+	78-79
C	73-77
C-	70-72
D+	68-69
D	63-67
D-	60-62
F	59 and below

**Semester Grade Weights:** Quarter 1: 42% Quarter 2: 42% Exam 16%

**Grade Explanation:** Your grade will be based on the points earned on tests, quizzes, homework, and other assignments. Progress can be followed on-line.

**Weekly Assignments:**

1. Pro/Con papers. These are to be turned in on Thursdays. (12 pts. 140 word min.) The topic and supplemental materials will be given on Monday or Tuesday of that week.

2. Governmental current event articles. These are to be turned in on Fridays. (2 articles. 12 pts. 60 words min./each) These will need to have the title of the newspaper, title of the article, author, summary and your thoughts. Newspapers will be provided.

**-an explanation of these will be given by Mr. Beitel.**

**Teaching Methods:** Political cartoon analysis, lecture, class discussion, group work, individual work, simulations, and research.

**Tardies:** Don't be tardy. The door closes when the bell rings. Three tardies equals an after school detention.

**Teacher Expectations:** No one talks when a teacher or fellow student has the floor. Your input will be heard, wait your turn.

**Late Assignments:** If an assignment is not turned in on the date it is due, the assignment can be turned in for ½ credit the following day. Late or make-up assignments should be placed in the 'Hopper' at the end of Mr. Beitel's desk.

**Make-Up Work:** You will have the same number of days to make up the work as the length of the absence. But remember, Pro/Con's and CE's are always due on Thursday and Friday. If you're going to be gone for a school activity, place these under my door or in my mailbox in the teacher's lounge.

**Materials to be supplied by students:** Three-ring binder, pen, and paper.

**Other class rules:**

Cell phones/ iPods :Put them away.

Hats/Hoods: Don't wear them in class.

Language: Don't use vulgar language.

Liquids: Water only. Twist lids.

**Have a nice day.**