

AP GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS SUMMER ASSIGNMENT

THIS SUMMER ASSIGNMENT IS IN 2 PARTS:

1. You will be researching the required Supreme Court Cases:
 - a. Fully Complete the worksheet that corresponds with the Case
 - b. Create a binder with dividers for each case..... the binder should be organized with a cover(a 3" binder will work- we will be adding required documents to this binder during the year and terms
 - c. Use oyez.com or the link that is on the Google Doc form (click on the link below)
 - d. On the first page of the binder you must have the following terms identified:
 - a. Majority opinion
 - b. Dissenting opinion
 - c. Concurring opinion
 - d. Oral argument
 - e. Amicus Curiae brief
 - f. Petition for certiorari
 - g. Solicitor General

SUPREME COURT CASE LINK:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1DBelM5bdcfQv6MiAvCtwPKxJGIRuj5Lza7CMOfnQU/edit?fbclid=IwAR3dZC8U2iQTSqVTm-UTsYX6vx1Wu27vJv_Ke5eArNIgk2Ke_zQDu39e6v4

2. The second part of your Summer Assignment is to begin listening and reading about the Government and the Political elements within politics. This course is designed for you to form opinions on issues that face our nation, by hearing and evaluating all sides of the issue. You will write up 4 summaries of current events using the format found below by clicking on the link. These articles must be from throughout the summer and not all in the same week. The articles must deal with issues facing the nation as a whole NOT state or local issues. The summaries will go into the binder as well with its own tab- "Current Events"

SUMMER ASSIGNMENT PART 2

Government and politics are not static subjects- players, policies and procedures change over time. As students of government, it is important to stay up to date on news that relates to our fields of study and could help us to become participative citizens.

You are required to write up 4 current event articles over the summer.

I am looking for a variety, not just all from one point in the summer and not on one specific event. Be careful with your selection; make sure that you choose an article that you will actually be able to provide analysis of. News sources should be academic in nature.

Most news sources are acceptable; If you are unsure as to the quality of the sources email me. (local papers such as the NY Post, Daily News and Newsday should not be used for this assignment) Print media include but are not limited to: The New York Times, the Wall Street Journal, The Washington Post, the Economist, Newsweek (online only) On-line news media is a little more subject to credibility tests; they often tend to be too short and summarized to be great selection.

The above print sources are available on-line; you may also try <http://news.bbc.co.uk/>, <http://www.reuters.com/>, <http://www.rollcall.com/>, <https://www.apnews.com/> <https://www.dowjones.com>, Fox News, BBC news, MSN, CNN

ASSIGNMENT:

1. Choose 4 current event articles with a length that should provide a sufficient amount of information for the assignment to be completed... at least 400 words.
2. Cite the article at the top of the page.
3. 2. At the top left corner of the paper, include
 - a. Name/Period:
 - b. Topic:
 - c. Title:
 - d. Author:
 - e. Date of article:
 - f. Source:

For each of the articles, a suggested length would be a two-page paper (Times New Roman, 12 pt font, double spaced) that follows the following format:

- h. Summary: (suggested length- paragraph)
- i. Summarize the main points (who, what, where, when, why, how) of the article. h. Analysis: (suggested length- paragraph) This is where you need to connect it to what you have learned in your reading, class or in past current events. Please give examples to support your response
- j. Evaluation: (suggested length- paragraph) Why is this event important to know about? Please give examples to support your response. j. Opinion: (suggested length- paragraph) What do you think about the current event? How does the event affect you? Your opinion must be based on prior knowledge and what you have read. Use government vocabulary and knowledge principles of democracy to support your response. ****paragraph length is 10-12 sentences****