

AP U.S. Government and Politics
Summer Assignment
Due: 1st day of class!

In order to prepare you for this course, you will complete assignments for the 1st day of class. **This is not something that you can accomplish in 1 day, so be sure to spread this over several sessions.**

AP Social Studies Student Contract

PRINT, SIGN AND BRING TO SCHOOL ON THE FIRST DAY OF CLASS!

AP US Government and Politics is a fantastic course where students are challenged to push themselves at a higher academic level. Students in this class will learn a tremendous amount and get to work on college level skills. However, it is important to understand that AP Gov is very challenging and may not be the direction you want to take as a senior. Please take a moment to read this contract carefully and consider what you want out of your next academic year.

Before you sign this contract, please read and initial all of the statements below.

_____ I understand that this is a college course with college-level expectations, I understand that my work will be held to a college-level standard.

_____ I understand that the teacher is available and willing to help me **by appointment** before and after school.

_____ I will read the text as assigned, **I will take notes on the chapters and in class.** I will complete **homework assignments thoroughly and honestly.**

_____ I will not cut or intentionally be absent from this class to avoid taking tests or writing essays. **I WILL NOT ASK MY PARENTS TO EXCUSE ME FROM A TEST BECAUSE I DID NOT PREPARE. If I miss class intentionally to avoid tests, I will receive a 0 on the assessment.**

_____ I understand that the expectation for this class is a minimum of **one hour of homework per night.** I will do the nightly homework with a positive attitude and ask questions if I need help.

_____ I will make up or turn in missed tests/work on the next school day. If I am absent, it is my responsibility to make up assignments and find out what I missed.

_____ I will behave appropriately in class, treating the teacher and my fellow students with respect. I will come to class **prepared and on time.** I understand that failure to do this will result in disciplinary action.

_____ I understand the standards for academic and participation grades, especially those that pertain to cheating; **I understand that cheating and plagiarism will result in a 0.**

_____ I understand that this class fulfills a graduation requirement and that I may need to take summer courses should I fail.

_____ As a senior, I will maintain a positive attitude and hard work ethic throughout the entire course. **“Senioritis” is not acceptable in any course, especially AP US Government and Politics.**

_____ **I understand that failure to meet these expectations will result in a 0 in my participation grade and I cannot earn an A without meeting these requirements. I understand that these requirements are up to the teacher’s discretion and are non-negotiable.**

I _____ (print full name) have read and fully understand the benefits and challenges of taking an AP course with Mr. Charles.

_____ Student Signature

_____ Parent Signature

_____ Date