

# AP GOVERNMENT

Mr. Bowsher – Room 303

**Objective:** The primary goals of this class are to equip students with an in-depth understanding of American government as well as to prepare them for the AP Exam in United States Government and Politics. To these ends, students will examine the structure of American government, how it operates, how it is influenced by special interest groups and the media, and how citizens can participate and bring about change. State and local government, the U.S. Constitution, the Bill of Rights and concepts such as federalism and democracy will also be explored.

**Materials:** Text: American Government: Institutions and Policies (14th Edition) instructor provided chapter and section reviews and supplements (as needed).

**Expectations:** Students are expected to be on time for class and be prepared to begin. They are required to have all necessary materials for class. These materials include textbooks, notebooks, pen/pencil, and necessary assignments. Open, class-related discussion is permitted and encouraged at all times.

**Miscellaneous:** I am free to assist students before school, during my free period or after school. For students with special needs, accommodations can be made to facilitate learning.

***This class is designed to prepare students for the AP Exam in United States Government and Politics. A strong score on the exam will be of great benefit to those interested in receiving college course credit. If, however, you do not have plans to take the AP Exam, you may want to re-evaluate your decision to take the class. Your commitment will reap rewards.***



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- African American Studies
- Agricultural Engineering
- American Studies
- Area Studies
- Broadcast Journalism
- Business Administration and Management
- Community Organization and Advocacy
- Economics
- Emergency Management/Homeland Security
- Environmental Studies
- Ethnic Studies, General
- Geography
- History
- International Relations
- Journalism
- Labor and Industrial Relations
- Mass Communications
- Natural Resources and Conservation
- Natural Resources Management and Policy
- Paralegal Studies
- Philosophy
- Political Science and Government
- Prelaw Studies
- Public Administration
- Public Policy Analysis
- Social Work
- Sociology
- Urban Studies