

AP Government Summer Assignment

AP United States Government and Politics requires all enrolled students to complete summer coursework prior to the first day of class. **All summer work is due on the second day of class.**

The Summer Assignment: **PART I**

The focus of the first unit of the course is the philosophical and political roots of American government. Thus, you will explore and analyze during the summer so you will be prepared to discuss this topic in depth over the first couple of days of class.

Reading Requirements:

- Excerpt from Second Treatise of Civil Government, John Locke
- Excerpt from The Spirit of the Laws, Baron de Montesquieu
- Excerpt from Social Contract, Jean Jacques Rousseau

Writing Requirements:

Briefly summarize each reading.

The Summer Assignment: **PART II**

Pay close attention to the events of the day and choose a topic of interest in the political arena. Track that issue throughout the summer and write a weekly journal entry summarizing how things progress. (The journal entry should be a paragraph or two). The journal should have 6-8 total entries)

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