

**AP U.S. GOVERNMENT & POLITICS
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AP U.S. Government and Politics Summer Assignment 2019

This is a challenging course that is meant to be the equivalent of a freshman college course. Solid reading and writing skills, along with a willingness to devote time to homework and study, are necessary to succeed. Emphasis will be placed on critical and evaluative thinking skills, and oral and written expression.

You are required to complete the summer assignments to help prepare you for the class. These assignments will enhance your knowledge of American Government and will enable us to begin the course as soon as school begins. In addition, you should begin to follow events in the news; become accustomed to reading about government and politics, and learn to depend on reliable news sources. Blogs do not qualify; major news organizations generally do. **Expect a quiz in the first week on events that took place over the summer.**

There are three tasks that must be completed and are due the FIRST DAY of class. They must be completed in the order given. They are attached, below.

Remember, you chose to be in this class and your success will depend upon your willingness to prepare for it.

If you have questions, the best way to contact me over the summer is by emailing me at mr.wagenberg@gmail.com. I will be online for most of the summer, but not every day. Because the College Board redesigned this course last year, the revised syllabus will be available at www.mrwagenberg.net by mid July. In the meantime, the description of the redesigned course is on the College Board website.

You must sign up at Turnitin.com; Tasks 2 and 3 must be submitted there before the first day of school. The Class ID is 21396073, and the Enrollment Code is **Senators!** - and is case-sensitive.

In addition, the Google Classroom is open, and the class code is **qd2ddr**.

ATTACHED:

Task 1: Constitution Summer Guide – ***this must be hand-written or NO CREDIT WILL BE EARNED***

Task 2: Reaction Paper/Book Review

Task 3: Reaction Paper/NY Times articles