Oroville Union High School District
Course Description

Course Title:	Government - Principles of American Democracy
Aeries Course #:	435A
CBEDS #:	9174
Course Length:	One Semester
Type of Credit(s):	Social Science (5 credits)
A-G Approved:	Yes
Approval Date:	10/5/15
Integrated (Academic & CTE):	No
2+2 Credit:	No
Dual Enrollment:	No
District Certification:	No
Prerequisite:	None
Includes Hands-on Lab Activities:	No
Grade Level(s):	12
Primary Textbook:	Government Alive: Power, Politics, and You, Teacher's Curriculum Institute, 2020, ISBN 978-1-934534-14-4
Supplemental Materials:	American Government Reading and Cases, Peter Woll, Pearson/Longman, 2008, ISBN: 0-321-47314-0
Reading Materials	1984, George Orwell
Reference Materials:	Merriam-Webster's High School Dictionary Appropriate software
Supplemental Films:	Dave Selma Recount Constitution USA: PBS

Digital Resources:	Crash Course Government and Politics (various episodes) Newsela Realclearpolitics.com (polling) Race to 270 Fivethrirtyeight.com (polling) OpenSecrets (campaign finance and lobbying)

Course Overview

Students in grade twelve pursue a deeper understanding of the institutions of American government. They compare systems of government in the world today and analyze the life and changing interpretations of the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and the current state of the legislative, executive, and judiciary branches of government. An emphasis is placed on analyzing the relationships among federal, state, and local governments, with particular attention paid to important historical documents such as The Federalist Papers. These standards represent the culmination of civic literacy as students prepare to vote, participate in community activities, and assume the responsibilities of citizenship.

State Standards

Board Approval Date: June 22, 2022