

General Course Information

Course Name: American Government	
Department: Social Studies	Grade Level(s): 11th
Duration/Credits: 1 year/ 1.0 credit	Prerequisites:
BOE Approval Date:	Course Code: 1000
Course Description:	
<p>This course is devoted to the study of the federal government and the United States Constitution along with the Missouri state and local governments. Other relevant subjects include economics, geography, and current events. The student will be required to use various forms of technology and develop literacy that incorporates research and interpretation of documents, visuals, and oral recordings.</p>	
Course Rationale:	
<p>American Government educates the student about the different functions of the United States and Missouri governments which enables the student to be a responsible and contributing citizen.</p>	
Course Objectives:	
<p>The student will read, identify, and analyze the foundation, structure, and principles of the United States Constitution (A+ Reading).</p> <p>The student will explain, discuss, and debate the functions and changing roles of each of the three branches of government (A+: Speaking and Listening).</p> <p>The student will develop research plans and conduct research on a variety of topics in American Government. (A+ Research).</p> <p>The student will write formally and informally on a regular basis on topics in American Government. (A+ Writing).</p> <p>The student will identify the principles of the Missouri Constitution and examine the components of Missouri Government.</p> <p>The student will analyze, compare and contrast basic economic principles and their impact on US and world economic systems.</p>	

The student will identify and examine the role of geography in American Government.

The student will identify political ideologies and institutions and analyze and debate their effect on historical and current events.