

AP Government and Politics
Mr. Cohen– Benilde-St. Margaret’s School
Summer Assignment 2026-2027

In order to prepare for the *AP U.S. Government and Politics* course, you will be required to complete the following readings as your summer homework. These readings are due on the FIRST DAY of the course – **no exceptions**. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at jcohen@bsmschool.org

The following readings must be completed:

Reading #1: John Locke – [*Second Treatise, of Civil Government*](#)

Reading #2: *Declaration of Independence* (<https://www.archives.gov/milestone-documents/list>)

Reading #3: *United States Constitution* (<https://www.archives.gov/milestone-documents/list>) -
Read the entire constitution including amendments.

There will be a **test** on these three readings during the first week of the course.