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**Unit Five Reading Guide**

**Textbook: Chapter Thirteen**

**ELECTIONS: THE RULES OF THE GAME**

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| **REGULARLY SCHEDULED ELECTIONS** |  |
| **FIXED, STAGGERED, AND SOMETIMES LIMITED TERMS** |  |
| **WINNER-TAKES-ALL** |  |

**RUNNING FOR CONGRESS**

PRIMARY ELECTIONS

FACTORS AFFECTING OUTCOMES OF CONGRESSIONAL ELECTIONS

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**RUNNING FOR PRESIDENT**

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| **Stage 1:**  **The Nomination** |  |
| **Stage 2:**  **The National Party Convention** |  |
| **Stage 3:**  **The General Election** |  |

**THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE**

**Constitution**

**12th Amendment 23rdAmendment**

**Today**

**THE PATH TO THE PRESIDENCY**

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| **THE PRIMARY SEASON** | **JAN-JUN 2016** | * **– take place in every state and are established by the political parties** * **– candidate must move away from the middle** * **Dem vs. Dem and Rep vs. Rep** |
| **JULY 2016** | * **Must win a vote**   ***At the National Convention:***   1. **are counted** 2. **is officially selected** 3. **Party nominee selects a to balance the ticket** 4. **is established** |
| **THE GENERAL ELECTION SEASON** | **AUG-OCT 2016** | * **Debates** * **Campaigning in the “ ” states** * **Candidate must move ideology back to the** * **Dem vs. Rep (vs. the third party candidates)** |
| **NOV 2016** | * **We vote (for electors) on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in years divisible by four** * **This year we will vote on November , 2016** |
| **DEC 2016** | * **Electors each cast two votes – one for and one for (12th Amendment)** * **Electoral votes are cast on the first Monday after the second Wednesday in December** * **This year electors will vote on December , 2016** |
| **JAN 2017** | * **Electoral votes are counted and certified by Congress on January 6, 2017** * **As established in the 20th Amendment, the President and Veep are inaugurated** * **The President and Veep will be inaugurated on January , 2017** |

**MONEY IN U.S. ELECTIONS**

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| **Federal Election Campaign**  **Act** |  |
| **Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act (BCRA)** |  |
| **Resisting Reform** | **Issue Advocacy**  **Independent Expenditures**  **Super PACs** |