

AP U.S. GOVERNMENT & POLITICS 2017-18
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Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

Advanced Placement United States Government and Politics is equivalent to a one-semester four-year college level introductory course in American Government. The AP exam administered by the College Board in May tests students' knowledge of content, writing skills, and analytic thought. Students are graded on a scale of 1-5, with 5 the highest score. Students who earn a 3 or better may be entitled to college credit, advanced placement in college, or both, depending on the individual policies of the university. **All students enrolled in AP Government are expected to take the exam on May 4th.**

In addition, the course itself will be conducted as a college level class in which student participation, discussion and initiative are essential components. It should be understood at the outset that there will be a significant amount of reading, written homework assignments, essays, and projects assigned outside the classroom. The course will demand a high level of commitment and responsibility from students who wish to succeed, but will also be an enjoyable and rewarding experience.

Should you have any questions, feel free to e-mail me at cjessup@cnusd.k12.ca.us.com (I check my e-mail frequently). I look forward to meeting you at **Back to School Night on Wednesday, August 30th.**

In an effort to conserve paper, the course syllabus is available on my website. Students and parents are required to read the syllabus, sign and turn in the form below by September 14/15, 2016. <http://santiagomrjessup.weebly.com>

Student: I, _____ (student name) have read the AP U.S. Government syllabus, and understand the requirements and expectations of the course.

Signature of Student: _____ Date _____
Student Email Address: _____ Student Phone #: _____

Parent/Guardian: I, _____ (parent/guardian name) have read the AP U.S. Government syllabus, and understand the requirements and expectations of the course.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date _____
Parent/Guardian Email Address: _____ Phone #: _____