


Economics & Government

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Important Information

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Text:	O'Sullivan, Arthur, et al. <i>California Economics: Principles in Action</i> . Pearson Education Inc, 2020. Shea, Daniel M., et al. <i>California MaGruder's American Government</i> . Pearson Education Inc, 2019.		
Pearson Online:	https://sso.rumba.pk12ls.com/		

Course Description

Economics This course will focus on the Free Enterprise System and its benefits, more specifically the principles concerning production, consumption, and the distribution of goods and services in the United States and throughout the globe. Additionally, this course will incorporate instruction in personal financial literacy. And finally, students will learn to apply critical-thinking skills using economic concepts to evaluate the costs and benefits of economic issues, both macro and micro.

Government This course will focus on the principles and beliefs upon which the United States was founded and on the structure, functions, and powers of government at the national, state, and local levels. Furthermore, students will learn major political ideas and forms of government throughout history and the world. And finally, a significant focus of this course will be on the U.S. Constitution, its underlying principles and ideas, and the form of government it created.

Course Objectives

To gain an understanding of the concepts of Economics and Government and grow into a productive and thoughtful citizen. To learn and practice critical reading and writing methods, effective note taking strategies, group collaboration techniques, and presentation skills necessary for college and career.

Overview and Expectations

<u>Course Overview:</u>	<u>Course Expectations:</u>
<i>Fall Semester- Economics</i> Unit 1: What is Economics Unit 2: How Markets Work Unit 3: Business and Labor Unit 4: Money, Banking, and Finance Unit 5: Measuring Economic Performance Unit 6: Government and the Economy Unit 7 The Global Economy	Weekly Classwork/Practice 30% Notes Current Events Tests/Quizzes 60% Weekly multiple choice quizzes Unit Tests Participation 10%
<i>Spring Semester- Government</i> Unit 1: Foundations of Government Unit 2: Political Behavior Unit 3: The Legislative Branch Unit 4: The Executive Branch Unit 5: The Judicial Branch Unit 6: Comparative Political and Economic Systems	

Materials

The following materials are suggested for success in this course:

- ☐ Agenda provided by Segerstrom
- ☐ Pens and pencils, colored pencils/markers, highlighters, etc.
- ☐ Composition notebook (college ruled) for vocabulary and notes
- ☐ Chromebook