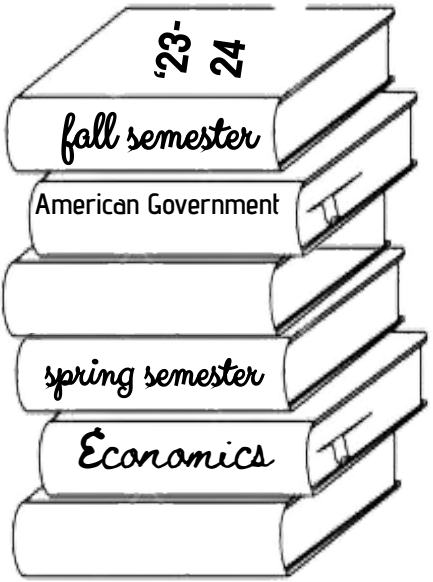


# American Government/Economics & Financial Literacy

With Mrs. Mouchka  
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*course objectives*

This course will help to inform students to become educated, well informed members of our democratic society. Students will also gain a deeper perspective of the organization of our government, the role of the government in our daily lives, and be exposed to the different perspectives on how the political process works.

**GOOGLE CLASSROOM**  
 Please be sure to enroll in our Google Classroom. If you are absent, daily agendas and all assignments that can be completed at home are located there **without** contacting Mrs. Mouchka.

**EXTRA CREDIT**  
 Extra credit is not offered in this class.

**PowerSchool**  
 It is your responsibility to check PowerSchool for your current grade.

**COMMUNICATION**  
 Mrs. Mouchka prefers to communicate to parents and students through email. If you have questions or concerns about policies, procedures, or your grade, please email me.



**SUPPLIES**  
 Students are required to bring the following to class:

- iPad & charger
- 2-inch three ring binder
- Pen/Pencil

*grading categories*

EXAMS & PROJECTS	HOMEWORK	FINAL
60%	40%	10%

**ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY**  
**Cheating will not be tolerated.**  
 Cheating occurs whenever a student attempts to take credit for someone else's effort, that includes copying or paraphrasing from the internet/classmates. **Any student found cheating will receive a 0% for the assignment, and be unable to re-do the assignment for credit.**  
**If you send an assignment to a classmate and they submit the same work you do, both will receive a zero.**

*film*  
 Films, or clips of films, may be shown in this class.

*food*  
 In general, food + drinks are allowed in my class. Food is not allowed to be shared between students and is not allowed out with iPads. Drinks=Water ONLY!

*retake policy*

Tests: Retakes can be done once per quarter. To retake a test you have to fill out the request to retest form no more than 3 days after the original test date.



PERFORMANCE TASKS	COURSEWORK
<i>latework</i> Absent students will makeup exams the next class day unless arranged with Mrs. Mouchka prior to the absence.	We will be doing something in this class every day! Do not ask for free days.
Missing assignments/tests and late work will be marked as a 0 in the grade book until turned in.	

**OFFICE HOURS**  
 Please utilize before or after school for late, missing, or make-up work. Anytime between 7:30-4:30pm

# class policies, norms, and expectations

## BE POLITE

You are expected to show respect & kindness toward others, always. There is zero tolerance for disrespectful behavior toward Ms. Holloway, your classroom, and your peers.

## BE PREPARED

Arrive on time!

Per school policy, on time means you are *ready to work, with all necessary materials out*, when the bell rings. If you are not in your seat and have not talked to Ms. Holloway you will be counted tardy.

**In this class that means that you are quietly working on the Bell Work when the bell rings.**

## BE PRODUCTIVE

Use all class time wisely.

Always give your best effort on all class assignments.

I have high expectations for each of you. Poor work will be handed back to be redone.

You are responsible for your own learning!

## BE POSITIVE

Bring a growth mindset to class every day!

Be kind!

Listen attentively when others, especially Ms. Holloway, are speaking. Choosing to talk over others, or in spite of others, is unacceptable.

respect

Most importantly, each student is expected to show the utmost respect and kindness in the classroom. This ranges from appreciating the opinions and contributions of other students to obeying classroom rules and respecting school property. Disrespectful behavior will result in a detention and letter home. If the behavior is continued further steps will be taken.

## SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS...

- ...are not late to class.
- ...do not speak out of turn.
- ...do not curse in class.
- ...do not use headphones (airPods).
- ...**do not get out of their seat.**
- ...do not line up at the door.
- ...keep their hands to themselves.



Per school policy, students are required to keep their cell phones /AirPods put away and smart watches left alone for the duration of class time.

- If a cell phone rings, chimes, alarm goes off, etc. the phone will be taken away and the student has to serve a **30 minute** detention before they can get it back.
- If a student is using AirPods during class without being instructed to do so the AirPods will be taken away and the student has to serve a **30 minute detention** before they can get them back. If this happens 3 times the students AirPods will be taken away for the rest of the semester.

### DOs:

- Put away all electronic devices that are not your iPad. (Phones, AirPods, etc.)

### DON'Ts:

- Keep your phone on your person in class—leave it in your bag.
- Use your SmartWatch during class.

**Signature of the Syllabus Contract will be due Wednesday, August 16th**

I look forward to the exciting and challenging year ahead of us! Let's have a great year!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Mouchka