

PRINCIPLES OF AMERICAN DEMOCRACY II
Course Outline: 3405

I. Textbook Assignment Options:

Pacemaker American Government (5.0 credits)

- Read: Chapters 1-25.
- For each chapter complete:
 1. “Vocabulary Review”
 2. “Chapter Quiz” (**omit:** “Check Your Understanding” and “Critical Thinking”).
- Complete one of the Extension Activities listed below.

II. Extension Activity Options:

1. Use the Internet and search the website of the political party of your choice. Some of the major parties include Republican, Democratic, Libertarian, Reform, and Green Party. You may visit the political party index at: www.politicalindex.com. Write a 3-paragraph essay based upon your research about the party’s beliefs and purpose. Also discuss why you would or would not want to belong to that political party. Use Writing Rubric Exp. II.
2. Write a 3-paragraph letter to the governmental representative of your choice addressing an issue of importance to you. Be sure to provide evidence to support your concerns or complaints. Some topics for your letter could include the environment, air pollution, traffic congestion or educational issues. Use Writing Rubric Letter III.
3. Create a 5-slide PowerPoint presentation on the three branches of government. Include the function of each branch in your slides.
4. Teacher generated activity, approved by the site administrator.

III. Evaluation

- See your teacher for a unit test.
- All writing assignments must meet the proficient level of the rubric provided by the teacher.
- All textbook work must meet 70% accuracy level for a “C” grade.