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AP STUDENT WEB HUNT: WHAT IS "AP UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS"?

- ❏ Complete the following by going to the AP Student College Board website: https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/home.
- ❏ Look at the various headings across the tabbar, read the information, answer the questions below.

Understanding an AP Course

EXPLORE AP:

1. ***WHAT IS TAKES:*** According to the College Board, what does it take to be successful in an AP course?

2. ***THE AP EXPERIENCE:*** What will be different in an AP class that you may not have experienced so far in a regular classroom setting?

3. ***THE REWARDS:*** What are the three rewards that the College Board believes are the most important in an AP course. Do you believe there are any other?

Understanding the Course AP United States Government and Politics

AP COURSES: AP United States Government and Politics - Course Overview

1. Read the course overview. List all the words that you would not be able to define. Ask about in class!

2. Go to the "Course Details" page. It says, *"AP U.S. Government and Politics provides a college-level, **nonpartisan** introduction to key political concepts, ideas, institutions, policies, interactions, roles, and behaviors that characterize the constitutional system and political culture of the United States."* What does the word "nonpartisan" mean? Why is this so important for me,the teacher, to keep in mind?

3. List the Course Units and explain what kind of information you think you might learn in each unit. Take a guess!

Unit	Title	What do you think it's about?
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		

4. Which unit are you most interested in and why?

5. Which unit are you least interested in and why?

6. How many Foundational Documents will you need to learn? Which ones are you familiar with?

7. How many Supreme Court Cases will you need to learn? Which ones are you familiar with?

8. Look at the five "**AP U.S. GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS DISCIPLINARY PRACTICES.**" Which of the practices do you think you will do the best on? Why?

9. Which of the practices do you think you will do the worst on? Why?

10. Check out the blue box "Course Resources." Which link is the most interesting to you and why?

Understand the Exam

ABOUT THE EXAM: Even though the exam will not take place in May, you should become familiar with what will be expected of you.

1. How long is the exam?

2. What are the two sections of the exam? What is the percentage weight of the scores from each section?

3. How many Multiple Choice questions are there and how long will you have to complete them?

4. How many Free-Response Questions are there and how long will you have to complete them?

5. There are 4 types of Free Response questions. Which do you think will be the easiest?.... most difficult?

Reflection:

After thinking about the course, explain how you feel at the current moment regarding APGOPO and explain why! Feel free to add any additional information you believe is important for me to know about you!