

# AP Government Summer Assignment

Welcome to AP Government at Cony High School. I'm very excited to be teaching this class and I hope you will share in my enthusiasm when the end of August rolls around. In order to become more familiar with the Constitution and its application in modern terms, you are going to do some research on current events.

## Assignment particulars:

- Find **ten** newspaper/online articles to illustrate each of the terms below:
  - Federalism (pick two different examples)
  - Checks and balances
  - Separation of powers
  - Enumerated powers (pick two from any branch)
  - Law making process
  - Advice and consent
  - Legislative oversight
  - Executive order

● In order to match a current event with something from the list above, you obviously need to know what those terms mean. You might know what all of them mean, but in case you don't, you'll need to look up the meaning first.

● For the purposes of this assignment "current events" will be defined as something written in the last two years. So, anything before June 2020 won't count.

- Each article should appear in the following format:

Title of article

Source of article

Date Written

Constitutional principle being addressed

A link to the article

Paragraph one: Summary of the article

Paragraph two: Your analysis of the article (why it is a Constitutional issue, how you feel about the issue, etc.)

● Ultimately you'll submit all 10 together, but over the summer if you want to send one to see if you are on the right track, I will provide immediate feedback for you. My Google Docs account is [Robert.lippert@augustaschools.org](mailto:Robert.lippert@augustaschools.org)

- This is due on the first day of school and will serve as your first grade.
- No late assignments will be accepted.