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**Unit 2: Political Beliefs and Behaviors**

<p><i>Unit 2: Enduring Understandings</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● The political beliefs of our nation are constantly evolving due to changing social values, the media’s influence on political beliefs, and the many institutions throughout our nation that assist in shaping our national fabric. (i.e. schools, churches, special interest groups, etc.)</li><li>● The individual citizen is the building block of our democratic governmental system.</li><li>● Varying demographics throughout our nation, present and historical, have contributed to the evolution of national beliefs and core values.</li><li>● Our citizens’ differentiated beliefs surrounding the national government, its issues, and its leaders culminate to form our national identity.</li></ul>	
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Curriculum Unit 2	Performance Expectations		Pacing	
			Days	Unit Days
<b>Unit 2: Political Beliefs and Behaviors</b>	6.3.12.CivicsPD.1	Explain the multiple forms of political participation and their influence on our governmental system.	4	30
	6.1.12.CivicsPI.2.b	Analyze why individuals engage in various forms of political participation.	3	
	6.1.2.HistoryUP.2	Identify and analyze how political participation may affect the political system.	3	
	6.1.12.GeoPP.2.a	Analyze what leads citizens to differ from one another in their political beliefs and behaviors.	4	
	6.1.12.CivicsPD	Identify and analyze the unique American political culture.	4	
	6.1.12.GeoPP.2.a	Explain how demographic features of the American population affect the political system.	4	
	6.1.12.HistoryCC.14.e	Create and administer a student directed public opinion poll.	4	
	Assessment, Re-teach and Extension		4	

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Core Ideas	Performance Expectations
The multiple ways citizens can participate and influence the government.	Explain the multiple forms of political participation and their influence on our governmental system. NJSLS 6.3.12.CivicsPD.1
Why citizens decide to participate or avoid participation in government.	Analyze why individuals engage in various forms of political participation. 6.1.12.CivicsPI.2.b
How can people's ambivalence or activity in the political process affect the political process?	Identify and analyze how political participation may affect the political system. 6.1.2.HistoryUP.2
Why citizens of different ages, races, education levels, and cultures differ in their political participation and what will encourage and discourage participation.	Analyze what leads citizens to differ from one another in their political beliefs and behaviors. 6.1.12.GeoPP.2.a
How is the United States political system different from other democratic countries and how is it unique?	Identify and analyze the unique American political culture. 6.1.12.CivicsPD
How do different cultures, races, religions, sexes influence politics?	Explain how demographic features of the American population affect the political system. NJSLS 6.1.12.GeoPP.2.a
How public opinion polls are created, how they ensure accurate and unbiased results, and how to analyze the results of a poll.	Create and administer a student directed public opinion poll. NJSLS 6.1.12.HistoryCC.14.e

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Assessment Plan	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Chapter worksheets</li> <li>● Graphic Organizer</li> <li>● Chapter notes</li> <li>● Political Cartoons</li> <li>● Section quizzes</li> <li>● Unit test</li> <li>● Projects</li> <li>● Open-ended Questions</li> </ul>	Alternative Assessments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Debate</li> <li>● Oral Report</li> <li>● Role Playing</li> <li>● Think Pair Share</li> <li>● Projects</li> <li>● Portfolio</li> <li>● Presentations</li> <li>● Prezi</li> <li>● Gallery Walks</li> </ul>
Resources	Activities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● O' Connor American Government: Roots and Reform 2018</li> <li>● NJ Commission on Holocaust Education</li> <li>● NJ Amistad Commission Interactive Curriculum</li> <li>● Diversity, Equity &amp; Inclusion Educational Resources</li> </ul> <a href="https://www.nj.gov/education/standards/dei/">https://www.nj.gov/education/standards/dei/</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Chapter Assessment Quiz</li> <li>● Class Notes and Vocabulary</li> <li>● Chapter and Section Guided Reading sheet</li> <li>● Chapter and/or Section worksheet</li> <li>● Unit Assessment Test</li> </ul>
Instructional Best Practices and Exemplars	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Identifying similarities and differences</li> <li>2. Summarizing and note taking</li> <li>3. Reinforcing effort and providing recognition</li> <li>4. Homework and practice</li> <li>5. Nonlinguistic representations</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. Cooperative learning</li> <li>7. Setting objectives and providing feedback</li> <li>8. Generating and testing hypotheses</li> <li>9. Cues, questions, and advance organizers</li> <li>10. Manage response rates</li> </ol>

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**9.1 Personal Financial Literacy - Income And Careers & 9.2 Career Awareness, Exploration, And Preparation - Career Awareness & 9.4 Life Literacies and Key Skills**

- 9.2.12.CAP.2: Develop college and career readiness skills by participating in opportunities such as structured learning experiences, apprenticeships, and dual enrollment programs
- 9.4.12.CI.1: Demonstrate the ability to reflect, analyze, and use creative skills and ideas
- 9.4.12.CI.2: Identify career pathways that highlight personal talents, skills, and abilities
- 9.4.12.CI.3: Investigate new challenges and opportunities for personal growth, advancement, and transition
- 9.4.12.CT.1: Identify problem-solving strategies used in the development of an innovative product or practice
- 9.4.12.CT.2: Explain the potential benefits of collaborating to enhance critical thinking and problem solving
- 9.4.12.CT.4: Participate in online strategy and planning sessions for course-based, school-based, or other project and determine the strategies that contribute to effective outcomes
- 9.4.12.DC.7: Evaluate the influence of digital communities on the nature, content and responsibilities of careers, and other aspects of society
- 9.4.12.IML.2: Evaluate digital sources for timeliness, accuracy, perspective, credibility of the source, and relevance of information, in media, data, or other resources
- 9.4.12.IML.4: Assess and critique the appropriateness and impact of existing data visualizations for an intended audience
- 9.4.12.IML.8: Evaluate media sources for point of view, bias, and motivations
- 9.4.12.TL.4: Collaborate in online learning communities or social networks or virtual worlds to analyze and propose a resolution to a real-world problem
- 9.4.12.GCA.1: Collaborate with individuals to analyze a variety of potential solutions to climate change effects and determine why some solutions (e.g., political, economic, cultural) may work better than others

The implementation of the 21st Century skills and standards for students of the Winslow Township District is infused in an interdisciplinary format in a variety of curriculum areas that include, English language Arts, Mathematics, School Guidance, Social Studies, Technology, Visual and Performing Arts, Science, Physical Education and Health, and World Language.: Additional opportunities to address 9.1, 9.2 & 9.4:

**Philadelphia Mint** <https://www.usmint.gov/learn/kids/resources/educational-standards>

**Different ways to teach Financial Literacy.**

<https://www.makeuseof.com/tag/10-interactive-financial-websites-teach-kids-money-management-skills/>

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**Modifications for Special Education/504**

**Students with special needs:** Supports, Accommodations, and Modifications must be provided as stated in IEP, 504 Plan, or CST Team Intervention Plan, and may include (but are not limited to) the following:

**Presentation accommodations:** ☑ Listen to audio recordings instead of reading text ☑ Learn content from audiobooks, movies, videos and digital media instead of reading print versions ☑ Use alternate texts at lower readability level ☑ Work with fewer items per page or line and/or materials in a larger print size ☑ Use magnification device, screen reader, or Braille / Nemeth Code ☑ Use audio amplification device (e.g., hearing aid(s), auditory trainer, sound-field system (which may require teacher use of microphone) ☑ Be given a written list of instructions ☑ Record a lesson, instead of taking notes ☑ Have another student share class notes with him ☑ Be given an outline of a lesson ☑ Be given a copy of teacher's lecture notes ☑ Be given a study guide to assist in preparing for assessments ☑ Use visual presentations of verbal material, such as word webs and visual organizers ☑ Use manipulatives to teach or demonstrate concepts ☑ Have curriculum materials translated into native language

**Response accommodations:** ☑ Use sign language, a communication device, Braille, other technology, or native language other than English ☑ Dictate answers to a scribe ☑ Capture responses on an audio recorder ☑ Use a spelling dictionary or electronic spell-checker ☑ Use a word processor to type notes or give responses in class ☑ Respond directly in the test booklet rather than on an answer sheet.

**Setting accommodations:** ☑ Work or take a test in a different setting, such as a quiet room with few distractions ☑ Sit where he learns best (for example, near the teacher, away from distractions) ☑ Use special lighting or acoustics ☑ Take a test in small group setting ☑ Use sensory tools such as an exercise band that can be looped around a chair's legs (so fidgety kids can kick it and quietly get their energy out) ☑ Use noise buffers such as headphones, earphones, or earplugs

**Timing accommodations:** ☑ Take more time to complete a task or a test ☑ Have extra time to process oral information and directions ☑ Take frequent breaks, such as after completing a task

**Scheduling accommodations:** ☑ Take more time to complete a project ☑ Take a test in several timed sessions or over several days ☑ Take sections of a test in a different order ☑ Take a test at a specific time of day

**Organization skills accommodations:** ☑ Use an alarm to help with time management ☑ Mark texts with a highlighter ☑ Have help coordinating assignments in a book or planner

**Modifications for At-Risk Students**

Formative and summative data will be used to monitor student success. At first signs of failure, student work will be reviewed to determine support. This may include parent consultation, basic skills review and differentiation strategies. With considerations to UDL, time may be a factor in overcoming developmental considerations. More time will be made available with a certified instructor to aid students in reaching the standards.

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English Language Learners	Modifications for Gifted Students
<p>All WIDA Can Do Descriptors can be found at this link:  <a href="https://wida.wisc.edu/teach/can-do/descriptors">https://wida.wisc.edu/teach/can-do/descriptors</a></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Grades 9-12 WIDA Can Do Descriptors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Listening <input type="checkbox"/> Speaking</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Reading <input type="checkbox"/> Writing</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Oral Language</li> </ul> <p>Students will be provided with accommodations and modifications that may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Relate to and identify commonalities in psychology studies in student’s home country</li> <li>● Assist with organization</li> <li>● Use of computer</li> <li>● Emphasize/highlight key concepts</li> <li>● Teacher Modeling</li> <li>● Peer Modeling</li> <li>● Label Classroom Materials - Word Walls</li> </ul>	<p>Students excelling in mastery of standards will be challenged with complex, high level challenges related to the topic.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Raise levels of intellectual demands</li> <li>● Require higher order thinking, communication, and leadership skills</li> <li>● Differentiate content, process, or product according to student’s readiness, interests, and/or learning styles</li> <li>● Provide higher level texts</li> <li>● Expand use of open-ended, abstract questions</li> <li>● Critical and creative thinking activities that provide an emphasis on research and in-depth study</li> <li>● Enrichment Activities/Project-Based Learning/ Independent Study</li> </ul> <p>Additional Strategies may be located at the links:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <a href="#">Gifted Programming Standards</a></li> <li>❖ <a href="#">Webb’s Depth of Knowledge Levels and/or Revised Bloom’s Taxonomy</a></li> <li>❖ <a href="#">REVISED Bloom’s Taxonomy Action Verbs</a></li> </ul>

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**Interdisciplinary Connections**

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RH.11-12.1

Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, connecting insights gained from specific details to an understanding of the text as a whole.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RH.11-12.2

Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary that makes clear the relationships among the key details and ideas.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RH.11-12.3

Evaluate various explanations for actions or events and determine which explanation best accords with textual evidence, acknowledging where the text leaves matters uncertain.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RH.11-12.4

Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including analyzing how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines *faction* in *Federalist* No. 10).

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RH.11-12.5

Analyze in detail how a complex primary source is structured, including how key sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text contribute to the whole.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RH.11-12.6

Evaluate authors' differing points of view on the same historical event or issue by assessing the authors' claims, reasoning, and evidence.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RH.11-12.7

Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, as well as in words) in order to address a question or solve a problem.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RH.11-12.8

Evaluate an author's premises, claims, and evidence by corroborating or challenging them with other information.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RH.11-12.9

Integrate information from diverse sources, both primary and secondary, into a coherent understanding of an idea or event, noting discrepancies among sources.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RH.11-12.10

By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend history/social studies texts in the grades 11-CCR text complexity band independently and proficiently.

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**Integration of Computer Science and Design Thinking NJSLS 8**

8.1.12.F.1- Evaluate the strengths and limitations of emerging technologies and their impact on educational, career, personal and or social needs.

8.1.12.IC.3: Predict the potential impacts and implications of emerging technologies on larger social, economic, and political structures, using evidence from credible sources.

8.2.12.ITH.1: Analyze a product to determine the impact that economic, political, social, and/or cultural factors have had on its design, including its design constraints..

8.2.12.EC.1: Analyze controversial technological issues and determine the degree to which individuals, businesses, and governments have an ethical role in decisions that are made.

8.2.12.EC.2: Assess the positive and negative impacts of emerging technologies on developing countries and evaluate how individuals, non-profit organizations, and governments have responded.

8.2.12.EC.3: Synthesize data, analyze trends, and draw conclusions regarding the effect of a technology on the individual, culture, society, and environment and share this information with the appropriate audience.

8.2.12.ETW.4: Research historical tensions between environmental and economic considerations as driven by human needs and wants in the development of a technological product and present the competing viewpoints.