Launch US Government

Course Information:
0.5 Credit
Asynchronous Canvas Course
Course Site: https://akgrad.instructure.com/

Description:
This course is designed for students at a lower reading level or students who are At-Risk, or in danger of not graduating high school. Launch US Government is designed to meet the needs of online students who have had difficulties with traditional classroom or other correspondence classes that do not meet a student's needs and need to earn an US Government credit.

United States Government is a comprehensive course that covers: the beginnings of American government; the Constitution; the legislative, executive, and judicial branches; creation on workings of states; local governments; political parties; citizenship; and some world politics.

Course Organization: The course is divided into 15 chapters. Each chapter is broken down into lessons based on learning outcomes. For each lesson, you are required to read a section of the textbook, complete practice problems from the textbook, and then take an online quiz. At the end of each chapter is a test covering the material from that chapter.

Materials Required:

- Computer or tablet with Internet access
- AGS United States Government Book

Academic Dishonesty: With most correspondence courses as well as AKGrad & YKSD, honesty of parents and students is essential. If an AK Grad teacher confirms that a student has plagiarized work or used AI, the student will receive a 0 and be subject to consequences determined by their school of record.

Grading: Quizzes are designed to be completed as many times as necessary to earn the grade that you would like to earn. If you are struggling on quizzes, you should contact your online teacher for additional support.

- **Quizzes:** Quizzes are computer scored and you can see your incorrect answers immediately so you can retake if necessary. It is also permissible to use notes, study materials, and books on the quizzes.

- **Tests**: You are <u>not allowed</u> to use notes, study materials, and books on the tests. The tests are meant to reflect how much you have learned while completing the lessons.

The following grading scale will be used for determining your final grade. After completing the course with a "D-" or better you will receive one Carnegie credit from the Yukon Koyukuk School District.

Percent	Grade
97% - 100%	A+
93% - 96%	A
90% - 92%	A-
87% - 89%	B+
83% - 86%	B
80% - 82%	B-
77% - 79%	C+
73% - 76%	C
70% - 72%	C-
67% - 69%	D+
63% - 66%	D
60% - 62%	D-
< 60%	F

Course Schedule: Though you are in charge of your own schedule, we will encourage you to create a schedule for completing the course within one year of the start day. As your teacher we will support you in meeting your goals. The following is a list of units that need to be completed.

<u>1st Quarter</u>	<u>2nd Quarter</u>
- Chapter 1: The Beginnings of American Government	- Chapter 9: The 50 States - Chapter 10: Local Government

● Chapter 2: Creation of American Government ● Chapter 3: A Look at the Constitution ● Chapter 4: The Legislative Branch ● Chapter 5: The Executive Branch ● Chapter 6: The President's Cabinet ● Chapter 7: Independent Agencies ● Chapter 8: The Judicial Branch	● Chapter 11: Political Parties ● Chapter 12: Citizenship ● Chapter 13: American Economics ● Chapter 14: Foreign Policy and Trade ● Chapter 15: Governments of the World

Subject to Change

This syllabus and schedule are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances. Your instructor will notify you of changes via Canvas announcements.