	1ST SIX WEEKS/4TH SIX WEEKS			2ND SIX WEEKS/5TH SIX WEEKS		3RD SIX WEEKS/6TH SIX WEEKS		
	5 Days	7 Days	9.5 Days	5 Days	5 Days	6 Days	5 Days	3 days
ESSENTIAL UNITS OF STUDY	**Foundations of Government and the Road to the Constitution**	**Constitution and Amendments**	**Judicial Branch/Civil Rights & Civil Liberties**	**Legislative Branch**	**Executive Branch**	**Media, Interest Groups, and Political Parties**	**Optional Project/Unit (Spring Semester Only)**	**Final Exam Review and Exam**
CONTENT TOPICS	This unit will introduce the purpose & origins of government as well as expose students to various types of governments.	This unit will help students understand the structure and functions of the government created by the U.S. Constitution as well as the American beliefs and principles reflected therein and their significance.	Students are introduced to the constitutional protections of individual rights and liberties in the United States. Students will also learn the practices of the Federal Court system	Students will understand the powers given to the legislative branch of the United States Governmen t.	The students will be introduced to the powers and responsibili ties of the President.	The impact media, political parties, and interest groups have on the US Governme nt.	Possible action-oriented project.	
TEKS	1ABCDEF, 12ABC	7ABCDEFG, 8ABCDEFGH, 9ABCD, 13ABCDEF	8CEF, 13DF, 17A	8ADEH, 9ABCD, 10A, 11ABC, 12AB, 20ABCDEF, 21ABCD, 22A	6B, 8BD, 10B	2AB, 3ABC, 14ABCD, 15ABC, 16A		
RESOURCES	**McGraw-Hill Text**	**McGraw-Hill Text**	**McGraw-Hill Text**	**McGraw-Hill Text**	**McGraw-Hill Text**	**McGraw-Hill Text**	**McGraw-Hill Text**	