

# U.S. Government & Economics – Grades 8 - 12

H.S. Social Studies or Elective credit



*“Government big enough to supply everything you need is big enough to take everything you have . . . . The course of history shows that as a government grows, liberty decreases.”*

**-Thomas Jefferson**

## U.S. Government – First Semester Objective:

To motivate and infect students with a lifetime appetite to understand the importance of their participating in their government at the Federal, state, and local levels

- Students will learn the amazing wisdom in the United States Constitution
- Students will learn the importance of the Bill of Rights to our lives today
- Students will learn about the “Electoral College” & why it’s being attacked today
- Students will see why the United States is such an exceptional & blessed place
- Students will explore the uniqueness of our three branches of government
- Students will learn the history and purpose of U.S. political parties
- Students will discover the importance of legal and illegal immigration
- Students will explore the importance of Supreme Court in history and today

**Included in the cost is an invaluable 100-page notebook!**

## Yearly Costs:

Tuition: \$340 + \$20 Materials Fee

Reg. Fee: \$25 Non-refundable – Required a Registration

Payment 1: \$180 (\$160 + \$20 Mat. Fee – Due on Sept. 6, 2023)

Payment 2: \$180 (Due January 24, 2024)

**Semester Tuition is non-refundable if a student drops after 3 classes.**

**LAMP FAMILIES:** Any tuition balances not covered by LAMP funds are due on or before Oct. 25, 2023. LAMP students are required to self-pay for any missed LAMP payments due to a student’s dropping after the third class or not meeting LAMP requirements during the semester.

***“If you’re not a liberal at 20, you have no heart. If you’re not a conservative at 40, you have no brain!” – Winston Churchill***

# ***U.S. Government & Economics***



*"The first lesson of economics is scarcity: there is never enough of anything to satisfy all those who want it. The first lesson of politics is to disregard the first lesson of economics."*

– Thomas Sowell

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For 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> graders**

## **Economics - Second Semester Objective:**

To demystify and simplify economics so students will understand the importance of economics, making them wiser voters and decision-makers

**Primary Textbook:** *Whatever Happened to Penny Candy?* by Richard J. Maybury

Students will need a three-ring notebook.

- Students will gain a basic understanding of Frederic Bastiat's *The Law*, seeing that his centuries-old wisdom is still true in today's world
- Students will learn the answer to Whatever Happened to Penny Candy?
- Students will see the political importance of understanding Economics
- Students role play to see the importance of trade in U.S. capitalism
- Students will examine current events in light of what they are learning
- Students will learn that government should play a limited role in economics
- The foolishness of government deficit spending will be exposed clearly
- Students will understand the simple relationship between deficits and the national debt, and how that should impact their own personal use of debt
- Students will learn the basic structure of the Federal Reserve System
- Inflation will become an understood issue with its true causes revealed

**Instructor:** Karen Kiser – B. S. Secondary Education – Taught for over 20 yrs. in traditional and homeschool settings – Mother of 8 children – Attends Calvary Church (GR) – Specializes in enjoyable classes with high academic standards – Leads annual summer trips to Europe for students & parents

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*"The only thing wrong with socialism is that sooner or later you run out of other people's money!"*

– Margaret Thatcher