

Monday 2/8/2010

Civic engagement presentation .

Chapter 4 Test

Tuesday 2/9/2010

Civic Engagement Presentation

Warm-up: What are the names of America's two main political parties and what do they stand for?

Activities:

1. Read pages 116 – 118
2. What are the main functions of a political party
 - a. Nominating
 - b. Informing and activating supporters
 - c. Bonding
 - d. Governing
 - e. Acting as a watchdog
3. Assign groups to create posters on the functions of a political party. Each function should give at least two examples of how a party does this function. The poster should be colorful, spelled correctly have pictures and a title.

Wednesday 2/10/2010

Civic Engagement Article

Activities:

1. These are the functions of a political party: nominating, informing & activating, bonding, governing, and acting as a watchdog
2. What makes for a two party system: tradition, the electoral system (single member districts
3. What do plurality, bipartisan, and pluralistic society, coalition, and consensus have to do with the two party system
4. What are the advantages and disadvantages to the two party system, one party system and a multiparty system?
5. Who are the democrats?
6. Who are the Republicans?
7. Draw cartoons show what a typical democrat and a typical republican and a third party follower would look like.
8. Read pages 126 – 135

Thursday 2/11/2010

Civic Engagement articles:

Warm-up “Conservative, n. A statesman who is enamored of existing evils, as distinguished from the Liberal, who wishes to replace them with others.” Ambrose Bierce

Assign groups to create a collage depicting the significant historical events and major contributions of the dominant party, also include the names and the years served of the dominant parties presidents of the following era of political parties 1800 – 1860, 1860 – 1932, 1932 – 1968, 1968 – present. Go to the library.

Friday 2/12/2010

Civic Engagement Articles

Warm-up: Why are minor league teams important to baseball?

Activities:

1. Why is the Communist Party an ideological party considered an ideological party?
2. What are single issue parties?
3. What are economic protest parties?
4. What are splinter parties?
5. Why are minor parties important?
6. Read pages 137 – 143 and do questions on page 142 and 143.

Thursday 11/5/09

Political Dictionary, Practicing Vocabulary and 15 – 17 Reviewing the Main ideas pages 144.