

Part I Due: August 9, 2019 (email to tashcraft@caschools.us)

Parts II Due: First day of school

Be prepared for a possible quiz on 1st or 2nd day of class

AP United States Government and Politics

Summer Reading Assignment

Part 1

Read the book *Reclaiming Hope: Lessons Learned in the Obama White House about the Future of Faith in America* by Michael Wear.

Your task: After reading the book, address the following issues in short answer (5-10 sentences) form. Write a new separate paragraph for each issue:

1. The author claims that religious freedom is not under attack, but it is “under pressure.” Evaluate this statement with evidence from the text.
2. What are the challenge associated with the President regularly attending church services?
3. Describe the controversy surrounding the pastors chosen to pray at the 2008 and 2012 inaugurations.
4. Why was Jena Lee Nardella’s prayer at the Democratic National Convention in 2012 used as a positive example by the author?
5. Describe the controversy surrounding either gay marriage, abortion, or contraception as discussed in the text. Use specific examples

Finally, write a reaction paper (minimum 1 1/2 pages, double-spaced, times new roman) that examines the author’s application of Jeremiah 29:7 as a call for civic engagement by Christians. Do you agree with this application? What, in your opinion, is the proper role of faith in politics? Support your thesis with specific examples from the text.

Email your short answers and paper to me as a PDF and name the file: “(LastName)APGovtSummer19”.

Part II

Briefly explain the ruling and significance of each of the following Supreme Court Cases. There will be a quiz within the first week of school.

- *Marbury v. Madison* (1803)
- *McCulloch v. Maryland* (1819)
- *Schenck v. United States* (1919)
- *Brown v. Board of Education* (1954)
- *Baker v. Carr* (1961)
- *Engel v. Vitale* (1962)
- *Gideon v. Wainwright* (1963)
- *Tinker v. Des Moines Independent Community School District* (1969)
- *New York Times, Company v. United States* (1971)

- *Wisconsin v. Yoder* (1972)
- *Roe v. Wade* (1973)
- *Shaw v. Reno* (1993)
- *United States v. Lopez* (1995)
- *McDonald v. Chicago* (2010)
- *Citizens United v FEC* (2010)