**Content Guide: Civics and Economics**

**Goal 1:**Foundations of American Government

***~~1.1:~~****~~Colonial America and Origins~~*

*~~-~~*~~Mayflower Compact~~

~~-Types of colonies~~

~~-Why did England Colonize?~~

~~-Differences between Colonies (climate and geography)~~

~~-Triangular trade~~

~~- House of Burgesses, Fundamental Orders of Connecticut~~

***1.1:*** *Enlightenment and Documents*

- Locke, Roseau, Montesquieu, Paine

-What were their ideas about government?

-“Life, Liberty, and Property”

-“Overthrowing and Oppressive Government”

-Magna Carta, English B.o.R.

-Social Contract Theory

***1.2:*** *Tensions in Colonies*

-Mercantilism >> Navigation Acts

-French and Indian War

-Stamp Act, Tea Act, and Intolerable Acts (& Others)

-Declaration of Independence

**~~1.3:~~***~~Articles of Confederation >> Constitution~~*

~~-Discuss first govt’ (A.O.C.)~~

~~-Characteristics of Articles~~

~~-Weaknesses of Articles~~

~~-Confederate v. Federal govt.~~

~~-Shays’s Rebellion – Fall of A.o.C.~~

~~-Leads to Constitutional convention~~

**1.3:***Constitutional Convention*

-New Jersey Plan v. Va. Plan

-Compromises of Constitutional Convention

-Slave Trade Comp/Commerce Comp

-3/5 Comp

-Great Comp.

-Electoral College

-Hamilton, Jefferson, and Madison

-Still needs to be ratified > federalists v. anti-federalists debate

-Federalist papers

-Bill of Rights created

**1.4:***Principles of the Constitution*

-Popular Sovereignty

-Rule of Law

-Judicial Review

-Limited Government

-Social Contract

-Voting

-Impeachment

-Separation of Powers

-Checks and Balances

-Federalism

**Goal 2:**Functions of American Government

**2.1:***The US Constitution*

-Preamble

-Articles I-VII Overview

-Article I: Legislative Branch and Powers

-Article II: Executive Branch and Powers

-Article III: Judicial Branch and Powers

-Article IV: “Privileges and Immunities” & “Full Faith and Credit”

-Article V: Amendment Process

-Article VI: “Supremacy” Clause

-Article VII: Ratifying the Constitution

-Powers granted in the Constitution

-Delegated v. Reserved

-Expressed (Enumerated) v. Implied

-Delegated/Enumerated

-Coin Money, Create Army and Navy, Regulate Trade between states and with other countries, Establish Post Offices and Post Roads

-Reserved/Enumerated

-Regulate trade within a state, Establish Education, Protect welfare and safety, Marriage and Divorce

-Implied

-“Necessary and Proper” Clause

-Concurrent

-Taxes, Courts, Protecting public safety, Makes laws

**2.2:***The Branch’s of Government*

-The Legislative Branch (Article I)

-Structure

-Houses, Members, Leaders, etc.

-Powers Granted (18 total)

-Coin Money , Budget (Power of the Purse), Declare War, Create courts inferior to Supreme Court, Impeachment, Deny Appointments, Override Veto

-Powers Denied

-Habeas Corpus, Bill of Attainder, Ex Post Facto

-Gerrymandering and Reapportionment

-How a bill becomes a law

-Committee System

-Propositions

-How do people influence public policy?

-The Executive Branch (Article II)

-Structure

-Powers

-Chief Executive

-Bureaucracy:

-Executive Office of President, Cabinet, Departments Agencies Intro.

-Independent Agencies, Regulatory Agencies, Gov’t Corporations

-Commander and Chief

-War Powers Act (Limit)

-Chief Diplomat

-Foreign Policy

-Secretary of State

-Treaties, Trade Agreements, Sanctions, Military Interventions, Humanitarian aid

-EU, NATO,

-Relationship w/other countries (Israel, Great Britain, China, etc)

-Legislative Powers (Veto, Pocket Veto, Executive Order)

-Judicial Powers (Appoint Judges, Pardon)

-The Judicial Branch (Article III)

-Structure

-How do you become a justice?

-How do they select cases?

-Judicial Review

**2.3:***Amending the Constitution*

-Amendment Process

-Marbury v. Madison= Judicial Review

-Civil Liberties (1st Amendment)

-Engel v. Vitale (school prayer)

-Tinker v. DesMoines (Speech/petition at school)

-Texas v. Johnson (symbolic speech)

-Rights of the Accused (4-6th)

-Due Process

-Habeas Corpus (reiterate), Trial by Jury, Right to Lawyer, Right to not incriminate oneself, no double jeopardy, right to appeal, Eminent Domain

-NJ v. TLO (Reasonable search and seizure at school)

-Mapp v. Ohio

-Patriot Act, Homeland Security (Common Good over Individual’s Rights)

-How have Americans rights been violated over time?

-Korematsu v. USA? Wikileaks, Snowden?

-NSA, IRS Scandal (introduce agencies)

-Civil War Amendments (13-15th)

-Plessy v. Ferguson (Sep. but equal)

-Brown v. Board of Education (Equal Protection/desegregation)

-14th Amendment

-Americans w/ Disabilities Act, and Equal Opportunity Laws

-Progressive Amendments

-Voting Amendments (17th, 19th, 23rd, 24th, 26th)

-Contemporary Issues: **Healthcare “Obamacare**”

**Goal 3:**American Identity and What it Means to be a Citizen

**3.1:***Political Ideology and Party’s*

-Radical<Liberal<Moderate>Conservative>Reactionary

-Ideology

-Party Platform v. Plank

-History of the Two Party System

-George Washington’s Farewell Address

-Two Party System

-Democrats v. Republicans (advantages and disadvantages of each)

-Third Parties

-Single Issue

-Ideological

-Splinter Parties

-Independent

**3.2:***Elections*

-“Frequent and Free Elections” – why important?

-Nomination Process

-Primaries v. Caucuses

-National Convention

-Campaign Process

-What makes up a campaign?

-Speeches, Canvassing, Raising Money

-Election Process

-What is a precinct?

-General Election

-Straight Ticket

-Electoral College

-Inauguration

-How does your vote make a difference?

-The People’s Choice

-Petition

-Initiative

-Referendum

**3.3:***Political Ideology and Party’s*

-Media and Public Opinion (how does the media change our opinion?)

-Interest Groups and campaign finance

-Impacts: labor legislation, civil rights legislation, business regulation, educational policy

-~~Propaganda~~

~~-Glittering Generalities~~

~~-Bandwagon~~

~~-Endorsement~~

~~-Stack Cards~~

~~-Just Plain Folks~~

~~-Transfer~~

~~-Euphemisms~~

**3.4:***Citizenship and Diversity*

-Naturalization

-Different Types of Citizens

-Duties v. Responsibilities

-Affirmative Action

-Melting Pot v. Salad Bowl

**3.5:***Types of Government*

-Monarchy<Oligarchy<Democracy>Republic (Representative Democracy)>Anarchy

-Parliamentary System, Non-Secular System

-What does citizenship look like in other places?

-Norway: Socialist Republic

-Jordan: Monarchy

-Pakistan: Oligarchy

-Iraq before war: Dictatorship

**Goal 4:**Criminal Justice and the American Legal System

**4.1:***Types of Laws*

~~-Ancient Legal Codes~~

~~-Hammurabi, 10 Commandments, Draconian Law, Justinian’s Code~~

-Types of Laws

-Constitutional (Judicial)

-Statutory (Legislative)

-Statutes v. Ordinances

-Administrative/Regulatory (Executive)

-Agencies: FCC, FDA, CDC, EPA

-Common Law (Case Law bound by Precedent)

-Other Types: Procedural, Public Policy, Symbolic, International Law

-How are people’s rights protected by law?

-Statute v. Ordinance

-Felonies v. Misdemeanors (list types of both)

-Federal Crime v. State Crime

-Criminal law v. Civil law

-Crimes v. Torts

-Prosecution v. Defense, State v. Person

-Plaintiff v. Defense, Person (entity) v. Person (entity)

-Beyond a Reasonable Doubt v. Preponderance of the Evidence

**4.2:***The Trial Process*

-Procedures of Criminal and Civil Law

-Arrest >Indictment>Arraignment> Opening Statements > Examination > Closing Statements > Deliberation > Verdict > Sentencing> Appeal

-Grand Jury (Indictment)

-District Attorney (the State)

-Plea Bargain v. Settlement

**4.2:***Addressing Criminal Behavior*

-Federal, State, and Local Law Enforcement

-FBI, NSA, SBI, Police, Highway Patrol, Sheriff, District Attorney, etc.

~~-Theories of Punishment~~

~~-Retribution v. Deterrence v. Rehabilitation~~

-Types of Punishment

-Incarceration, Detention, Probation, Suspension, House Arrest, Monetary Compensation, Confiscation of Property, Capital Punishment

**4.3:***The Dual Court System*

-State v. Federal Courts

-State Courts

-District: Lowest, Low money, misdemeanors

-Superior: Higher, more money, felonies

-NC Court of Appeals: Appeals from Trial courts

-NC Supreme Court: Highest

-Federal Courts

-District: Felonies, trial courts of Fed. System

-US Court of Appeals: Has jurisdiction over circuit

-US Supreme Court: Highest, issues of Constitutionality

-Types of Jurisdiction

-Original Jurisdiction, Appellate Jurisdiction, Exclusive Jurisdiction, Concurrent Jurisdiction

-Supreme Court

-Uphold, Reverse, or Remand

-Procedures: Writ of Certiorari

-Decision Making:

-Written, oral arguments

-Opinion Writing: Majority, Concurring, Dissenting

**Goal 5:** Personal Financial Literacy

***5.1:****Introduction to Economics*

-Economics: the study of how people seek to satisfy needs and wants with limited resources

-What is a need/want?

-What are goods/services?

-Scarcity: Driving force

-Consumer Sovereignty

-Factors of Production

-Land, Labor (white collar, blue collar), Capital (physical, human), and Entrepreneurship

-Trade-offs

-Opportunity cost

-Immediate Gratification

~~-Other Costs:~~

~~-Total Costs = Fixed Costs + Variable Costs~~

~~-Marginal Costs (one additional) v. Marginal Benefit~~

~~-Cost-benefit analysis~~

~~-Maximizing Production~~

~~-Division of Labor and Specialization~~

~~-Law of Diminishing Returns (increasing marginal returns v. diminishing marginal returns)~~

~~-MPL (marginal product of labor)~~

***5.2:****Budgeting*

-Paycheck: how do education and career choice impact life?

-What trade-offs are there in life choices?

-What is your human capital?

-What is a budget?

-Create a budget

-Bills

-Mortgage (foreclosure) v. Rent

-Collateral

-Insurance (why important?)

-Premium, Deductible, Co-Pay

-Liability

-Personal Taxation

-Income Taxes and sales taxes on goods (how to factor sales tax on spending)

-Spending v. Saving (pay yourself first)

***5.3:****Debit, Savings and Credits*

-What is the purpose of a bank?

-Checking and Savings account

-How to write a check

-How does a bank account work

-Credit

-Debt

-Credit Line

-Interest

-Compound Interest, APR

-Costs and benefits of credit

-Credit as a necessity (home ownership and car ownership)

-A “good” credit score

-Failing to pay

-Credit and consumption

-Credit v. Debit?

***5.4:****Insurance ~~andIntellectual Property (IP)~~*

-Insurance

-Car, Health, Home/Rent, Life

-Premium, Deductible, and CoPay

~~-Intellectual Property (Idea ownership)~~

~~-Patent~~

~~-Copyright~~

~~-Trademark~~

***5.5:****Consumer Protection*

-Consumer Credit Protection

-Protection Agencies: FTC, BBB, SEC

-Fraudulent Business Practices

-Ponzi Scheme

-Pyramid Scheme

-ID Theft, Online schemes, internet fraud, personal information disclosure

-How to protect?

-Do Not Call Lists, reading fine print, trusted dealers

Contacts: North American Securities Administrative Association, FBI Common Fraud Schemes, Internet Crime Complaint Center

-Resolving Consumer Conflict

-Filing Claims

-Filing w/ BBB

-Arbitration, Mediation, Compromise, Court Action

**Goal 6:**Introduction to Microeconomics

***6.1:****Supply and Demand*

-Circular Flow of Income/Economics

-Factor Market v. Product Market

-Law of Supply v. Law of Demand

-Equilibrium

-Surplus v. Shortage

-Substitute v. Compliment

~~-Demand Elasticity v. Inelasticity~~

~~-Price Ceiling v. Floor~~

-Changes (shifts) in Supply and Demand and their effects on price

-RULE:

-D^, P^

-Dv, Pv

-S^, Pv

-Sv, P^

-Subsidies, availability of resource, marketing, technology, expectations, etc.

-Types of Competition and examples:

-Perfect Competition, Monopolistic Competition, Oligopolistic Competition

***~~6.2:~~****~~Types of Businesses~~*

~~-“Financial Capital”~~

~~-Sole Proprietorship~~

~~-Unlimited Liability~~

~~-Partnership~~

~~-General Partnership~~

~~-Limited Partnership~~

~~-Corporation~~

~~-Stock/Shares~~

~~-Board of Directors~~

~~-Limited Liability~~

~~-Franchise~~

~~-Closely Held Corporation~~

~~-Publicly Held (traded) Corporation~~

~~-Mergers~~

~~-Vertical Merger~~

~~-Horizontal Merger~~

~~-Conglomeration~~

***6.2:****Types of Investments*

-Why invest?

-Stock

-Mutual Fund

-Broker

-Property (Real Estate)

-Bonds

-Certificate of Deposit

-Savings Account

**Goal 7:**Government and the Economy

***7.1:****Types of Economies*

-Three Key Economic Questions: What, How, For Whom to produce?

-Compare the four types of economies:

-Traditional, Market, Command, and Mixed

-Specific Examples: Market

-Free Market Economy/Capitalism

-Adam Smith/”Wealth of Nations”

-Laissez faire/Free Enterprise

-Self Interest (ownership/incentives) and Competition “Invisible Hand”

-Roles of Profit, Competition, and Price

-Profit: Motivator

-Competition: Regulator

-Price: Coordinator

-Specific Examples: Centrally Planned

-Karl Marx/”Communist Manifesto”

-Proletariat v. bourgeoisie

-Socialism v. communism (v. capitalism)

-Authoritarian Gov’t

***7.2:****Revenue and Expenditures of the Gov’t*

-Where found in Constitution?

-Limitations on taxes

-Direct tax v. Indirect tax

-Progressive v. Regressive

-Types:

-Income Tax: direct, progressive

-Corporate Income

-Capital Gains:

-Payroll Taxes: direct – pays for entitlements

-Excise Taxes: indirect, regressive

-Estate tax

-Budget

-President *Submits*

-**Office of Management and Budget**

-Congress *Passes*

-Mandatory v. Discretionary Spending

-Budget Breakdown: where does all of the money go?

-What is deficit?

-Debt?

***~~7.3:~~****~~Bureaucracy~~*

~~-What is Bureaucracy?~~

~~-Executive Office of the President.~~

~~-Cabinet~~

~~-Department of State and Department of Defense~~

~~-Agencies: “~~*~~Alphabet Soup~~*~~”: FEMA, EPA, FDA, NASA, IRS, FCC, Peace Corps, SEC, NLRB, TSA, USPS, TVA, Secret Service, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, FBI, NSA, DEA, ATF, CIA, CDC, BBB, NTSB, OSHA, CPSC~~

~~-~~**~~Independent Agencies~~**

~~-~~**~~Regulatory Commissions~~**

~~-~~**~~Government Corporations~~**

**7.3**: *Labor Unions*

-What is a labor union?

-History of Union Movement

-“The Jungle” Upton Sinclaire

-The New Deal

-Right to Work Laws

-Collective Bargaining

-Protest

-Strike

-Politics

-Lock out (Employer)

-Injunction (court order)

-Third Party: Mediation v. Arbitration

**7.4**: *Economic Indicators*

-Why do we have money?

~~-Used as a medium of exchange~~

~~-Used as a unit of account~~

~~-Used as a store of value~~

-What is inflation?

-CPI

-What is deflation?

-How do we measure unemployment?

**7.5**: *Business Cycle and Government Intervention*

-Inflation

-Gross Domestic Product (GDP)

-Real GDP

-Per Capita GDP

-Gross National Product (GNP)

-The Business Cycle

-Peak, Contraction, Trough (recession/depression), Expansion

-The Great Depression v. The Great Recession

-Government Intervention

-Fiscal Policy (President and Economists)

-v Taxes, ^spending

-Monetary Policy (The Federal Reserve)

-v Interest Rates, ^money supply (loose money)

-^ Interest Rates, v money supply (tight money)

**7.6:***International Trade*

-Globalization

-Why do nations trade?

-Comparative Advantage and Specialization

-Global Interdependence

-Balance of Trade: Surplus v. Defecit

-Trade Barriers (Protectionism):

-Quota

-Tariff

-Subsidy

-Embargo

-Free Trade

-WTO

-European Union (EU)

-NAFTA

-How can developing Nations be helped?

-World Bank

-International Monetary Fund (IMF)

**Goal 8:** North Carolina State and Local Government

***8.1:****North Carolina and Local Government*

-NC Declaration of Rightsin comparison to US Bill of Rights + Constitution

-Principles of NC Constitution

-Popular Sovereignty, Separation of Powers, Checks and Balances

-Federalism:

-Legislative: Congress (statutes), General Assembly (statutes), City Council (ordinances)

-Executive: President, Governor (line item veto, separate tickets), Mayor

-Judicial: US Supreme Court, NC Supreme Court: elected officials

~~-Amendment Process~~

~~-Initiative~~

~~-Referendum~~

~~-Recall~~

-Local Government:

-Municipality: Charter

-Metropolitan Area, Zoning

-Incorporation

-Annexation

-County

-County seat

-County Commissioners

-School Board: Superintendent

-Elected County Officials: Sheriff, District Attorney

***8.2:****North Carolina and Local Government Economy*

-Local Revenue and Expenditures

**-Local tax types**:

-Sales tax: indirect, regressive

-State income tax: direct, progressive

-Property tax: biggest source

-Excise taxes

-Estate tax

-Non-tax Sources: Fees, fines, lottery, etc.

-**Expenses:**

-Education

-Roadways/infrastructure

-Industries of NC:

-Mountain: Agriculture and Tourism

-Piedmont: Agriculture, Business, R&D, Banking

-Coastal: Agriculture and Tourism

-Research Triangle: Raleigh, Durham, Chapel Hill

-Research Triangle Park Importance?

-NC as part of the World Economy?