

# NFC ACADEMY



## **COURSE OVERVIEW**

Government and Economics continues the process of developing in students an understanding of and appreciation for God's activity as seen in the record of man and his relationships. The course focuses on two major areas: Government, with special emphasis on American government, and Economics, with special emphasis on personal finance. These areas of focus target three major content strands: History, Government and Citizenship, and Economics.

## **OBJECTIVES**

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**UPON COMPLETION OF THE COURSE, STUDENTS SHOULD BE ABLE TO DO THE FOLLOWING:**

- Understand the basics of various philosophies of government.
- Understand the structure and functions of government and how the principles and values of American democracy (e.g., limited government and popular sovereignty) are reflected in American constitutional government.
- Understand how the overall design, as well as specific features of the U.S. Constitution prevent the abuse of power by using a system of checks and balances (e.g., federalism).
- Understand the role of political parties, the media, and the public on the political process.

- Know the characteristics of different economic systems (e.g., capitalism, mixed economy, communism).
- Understand basic terms associated with economic performance and the state of the economy (e.g., supply and demand, inflation, monopoly).

Additionally, students will gain practice in writing essays and reports, covering topics like elected officials, the Supreme Court, Christians in politics, on-line banking, the euro, and more.

## **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

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In addition to the basic course program, Government and Economics includes alternate lessons, projects, essays, and tests for use in enhancing instruction or addressing individual needs.

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## **GRADING INFORMATION**

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### **GRADING COMPONENTS**

Lessons	35%
Quizzes	25%
Projects	10%
Tests	30%

### **GRADING SCALE**

100-90	A
89-80	B
79-70	C
69-60	D
Below 60	F