**Mr. Burke-American Government (Honors)**

**1st Marking Period- Quarterly Assessment**

**Special Interest Group Presentation**

**The Assignment:**

* You will be assigned a Special Interest Group and will research that group.
* You will present your findings to the class in the form of a Discovery Ed Board Builder. (*SEE RESEARCH PATHFINDER ON EAST LIBRARY WEBPAGE ON HOW TO CREATE DISCOVERY ED BOARD BUILDER*)
* You will be given time in the library to conduct research, but you may have to do some on your own time. (*SEE RESEARCH DAYS*)
* **What to cover (\*NOTE: This information is found in the Notes Template in a Google Doc):**
  + ***Formation/Founding-*** when was it formed?; by whom (people or group)?; why (historical reason(s) for its formation)?
  + ***Agenda*-** what are the group’s goals?; does it align itself with one particular political party or not?
  + ***Actions-*** specific examples of an activity the group engages in to achieve its goals.
  + ***Opinion of the Group-*** Would this be a group you would join? Why or why not? BE SPECIFIC! This will be done by recording your opinion on the project.

**Getting Started:**

* **Choices**- you will give me a “Top 10 List” of the groups you would like to research, NLT Friday, October 23rd. ***NOTE🡪 there are no guarantees you will get any of the groups on your list.***
* **Research Days:**
  + We are in the Library on the following days: Monday, October 26th, Tuesday, October 27th, and Wednesday, October 28th.
  + Library database links and information about creating Discovery Ed Board Builder will be posted on a “Research Pathfinder” on the library web site.
* **Due Date:** ***ALL PROJECTS ARE DUE WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4th…REGARDLESS IF YOU ARE PRESENT OR ABSENT THAT DAY!!!*** We will start presentations on that day, and finish them over the course of the next couple of days.
* **Graduation Project:**This project will fulfill your Graduation Project Requirement, should you successfully pass it and present it.

***TURN OVER🡪***

**Special Interest Groups:**

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| 1. | AARP – American Association of Retired People | 12. | Center for Equal Opportunity | 23. | NARAL – National Abortion Rights Action League |
| 2. | ACLU – American Civil Liberties Union | 13. | Christian Coalition | 24. | NEA - National Education Association |
| 3. | AFL-CIO – American Federation of Labor – Congress of Industrial Organizations | 14. | Club for Growth | 25. | National Resources Defense Council |
| 4. | ABA - American Bar Association | 15. | Council on American-Islamic Relations | 26. | NOW – National Organization of Women |
| 5. | American Conservative Union | 16. | Eagle Forum | 27. | NRA – National Rifle Association |
| 6. | American Farm Bureau | 17. | Emily’s List | 28. | PETA – People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals |
| 7. | AIPAC - American Israel Public Affairs Committee | 18. | Environmental Defense Fund | 29. | Pharmaceutical Research & Manufacturers of America |
| 8. | AMA - American Medical Association | 19. | Greenpeace | 30. | Public Citizen |
| 9. | Americans for Democratic Action | 20. | Handgun Control, Inc. | 31. | Sierra Club |
| 10. | ATLA - Association of Trial Lawyers of America | 21. | NAACP – National Association of Colored People | 32. | US Chamber of Commerce |
| 11. | The Business Roundtable | 22. | NAM - National Association of Manufacturers | 33. | Veterans of Foreign Wars |

**IMPORTANT GRADED PARTS OF PROJECT AND DEADLINES:**

1. **Top 10 List**: WRITE OUT A SPECIFIC LIST of the TEN TOPICS you would like to cover. You will ONLY cover ONE topic, and I will do my best to give you your FIRST choice, but no guarantees.

***DUE: Friday, October 23rd***

***Worth: 10 points***

1. **Notes**: You need to TYPE your NOTES in the Notes Template (Google Doc) and PRINT THEM OUT.

***DUE: BY THE END OF CLASS on Tuesday, October 27th***

***Worth: 20 points***

1. **Discovery Ed Board Builder Project**: This is the main project where you will upload pictures, insert text boxes and record your opinion, using the information from your NOTES. You will share/save it on the website.

***DUE:*** ***Wednesday, November 4th***

***Worth: 100 points***

1. Works Cited: For ALL resources used and must be shared with MRS> MATJASIC in NOODLE TOOLS.

***DUE: Wednesday, November 4th***

***Worth: 15 points***