



# AMERICAN GOVERNMENT

## Summer Honors Program

### 2017–2018

Participating in the honors program is a great privilege and an even larger challenge to above and beyond the normal classroom boundaries. An honors course is not for everyone, but it appeals to that student who enjoys going into a greater depth of learning. Researching a topic, evaluating the issues, and then creating his/her own opinion that is based on solid reasoning is the real challenge. Successful completion of this project will make the student eligible for participation in Honors Government.

**DUE DATE: August – first day of school**

You are going to investigate our home state of Florida for your honors introductory project.

1. **Florida Map** – create a poster-sized map of Florida. See the Instruction Page for the map.
2. **State Flag** – create a flag and write a one page report. See Instruction Page for more information.
3. **Who's Who in Florida & WCA** – find this information from the web.
4. **Florida Trivia Section** – Answer the questions on Florida to learn more about our state. There are many trivia sites online.
5. **Florida scrapbook** – create this scrapbook according to the instructions. Travel brochures can be found at all gas stations, hotel-motels and other places around town.

#### **STATE OF FLORIDA MAP PROJECT**

TASK: Create a full-sized poster map of the state of Florida. It should be outlined neatly with a marker or sharpie. There should be no smears or ugly smudges. Everything that is labeled or identified must be done neatly and in ALL CAPS. Do not use pencils as a label. Ink or marker or computer printed words are preferred. If in doubt, email Mr. Elliott – [selliott@wcaeagles.org](mailto:selliott@wcaeagles.org)

**Identify the following cities – All Caps!**

Miami	Panama City	Jacksonville
Fort Lauderdale	Pensacola	Ocala
Key West	Tampa	St. Petersburg
Orlando	Tallahassee	Gainesville
Daytona Beach	Fort Myers	Homestead
Melbourne	Lake City	Cape Kennedy

**Identify the following bodies of water or rivers in BLUE – label all caps.**

Lake Okeechobee	Suwanne River	Atlantic Ocean
St John’s River	Appalachee Bay	Gulf of Mexico
The Everglades	Straits of Florida	Tampa Bay

**Identify the following highway systems – drawn in BROWN – labels by #.**

I-95	I-4	I-75	I-10	Alligator Alley
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**Identify the following Universities of Florida – Use a STAR to show the location of the major universities below. Be Sure to write or label the name of the university.**

USF	FSU	Univ. of Miami
UF	DSC	FIT
UCF	UNF	FAU

**Identify the following Tourist Sites – name or symbol**

Walt Disney World	Weeki Wachee (mermaids)
Castillo de San Marcos	Ringling Bros. & Barnum Bailey Museum
Dry Tortugas National Park	Kennedy Space Center
Ponce De Leon Inlet Light House	Daytona 500 International Speedway
Busch Gardens	Marineland

**OUTLINE THE COUNTY OF VOLUSIA** – Outline in RED and then shade the map light red. Identify WCA on that map with a STAR and label.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Florida



## **FLAG OF FLORIDA – Honors Project**

Your task is to do the following:

1. Create an actual flag out of cloth. You could use an old sheet or pillow case or some form of fabric. You may use whatever you choose to create the flag and the items that go on it, however, it must look realistic and neat. You could download the center part from your computer and color it (or print it on a color printer).
2. Type a one page report on the State Flag of Florida (proper form, double space, good grammar, etc. The report needs to include the following information:
  - a. Description and explanation of the symbols on the flag
  - b. When was the flag adopted
  - c. Any history concerning Florida state flags

### **WHO'S WHO IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the Governor?
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the Lt. Governor?
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the Attorney General?
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the Chief Justice of the Florida Supreme Court?
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the Speaker of the House?
6. \_\_\_\_\_ What is the the capital city of Florida?
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Who are the two US Senators of the State of Florida to Washington?
8. \_\_\_\_\_ Who are the local US Representatives to the US House of Representatives?
9. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the richest person in Florida? What is he worth?
10. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the Mayor of Port Orange?
11. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the Mayor of South Daytona?
12. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the Superintendent of Warner Christian Academy?

### **WHO'S WHO at Warner Christian Academy?**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the high school Principal?
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the Academic Specialist?
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the new Elementary Principal?
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the Director of the Preschool?
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the head of Special Services?
6. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the Senior Pastor, White Chapel Church?
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the chairman of the WCA School Board?
8. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the Yearbook sponsor?
9. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the Senior Class Sponsor?
10. \_\_\_\_\_ Who sponsors the NHS?
11. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the head football coach?
12. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the Athletic Director?
13. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the director of Warner Velvet Blues?
14. \_\_\_\_\_ Who was the first Principal of WCA?
15. \_\_\_\_\_ Who was the founding pastor of the school?

## FLORIDA TRIVIA QUESTIONS

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Which beach is known as the “World’s Most Famous each”?
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Where is the Seven Mile Bridge?
3. \_\_\_\_\_ What is Florida’s largest natural wonder?
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Florida has North America’s oldest European settlement. What is it?  
\_\_\_\_\_ When was it established?  
\_\_\_\_\_ Who established it?
5. \_\_\_\_\_ What city calls itself the “Sailfish Capital of the World”?
6. \_\_\_\_\_ Where are the famous sponge docks?
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Where were the Tarzan movies filmed in Florida?
8. \_\_\_\_\_ What scary movie was filmed in Deland?
9. \_\_\_\_\_ What is another name for manatees?
10. \_\_\_\_\_ What famous presidential museum can be found in Clermont?
11. \_\_\_\_\_ What is the name of Orlando’s professional basketball team?
12. \_\_\_\_\_ In what year did Florida become a state?
13. \_\_\_\_\_ What major river in Florida flows north to south (one of the few in the world)?
14. \_\_\_\_\_ The southernmost point of the continental part of the United States is found in Florida. Where is it?
15. \_\_\_\_\_ What is the Florida State Pie?
16. \_\_\_\_\_ What is the largest natural lake in Florida?
17. \_\_\_\_\_ What is the Florida state beverage?
18. \_\_\_\_\_ Name one of the two persons that are representative statues of Florida in Statuary Hall in the US Capitol Building?
19. \_\_\_\_\_ What is the largest cruise line in the world, headquartered in Florida?
20. \_\_\_\_\_ What is the State Flower of Florida?
21. \_\_\_\_\_ What is the State Song for Florida?
22. \_\_\_\_\_ What is the Florida State Insect?
23. \_\_\_\_\_ What is the Florida State Shell?
24. \_\_\_\_\_ What is found in the center of the flag of the State of Florida?
25. \_\_\_\_\_ What famous political leader owns Mar A-Lago, the Italianate mansion in Palm Beach?
26. \_\_\_\_\_ Florida’s largest city by population? By square miles?
27. \_\_\_\_\_ Pensacola is home to one of America’s most popular precision flight teams, what is that team’s name?
28. \_\_\_\_\_ Where is Florida’s geographical center?
29. \_\_\_\_\_ What is the current population of the State of Florida?
30. \_\_\_\_\_ Who is the current Governor of the State of Florida?
31. \_\_\_\_\_ How many electoral votes does the State of Florida in the national election?

## **STATE SCRAPBOOK**

TASK – You are creating a scrapbook on important people, places and events of Florida. Develop a creative scrapbook on the state of Florida by dedicating colorful pages to the following list of items, as well as other items not listed. You could use tourist brochures, clip art, pictures, drawings, stickers and other creative ways to illustrate your pages. Each page should be titled with a short explanation. These are my suggestions. (These are NOT reports...just one page of highlights on each of these things – NOT REPORTS).

1. Sports in Florida – what/who are we known for? (Orlando Magic)
2. Arts, Drama, Movies, TV, Music & Entertainment and celebrities
3. Educational institutions – universities, colleges, etc., and sports mascots
4. Military institutions famous in Florida or War histories, Civil War monuments like Fort Jefferson, etc.
5. Famous Floridians (Will Amos-Famous Amos Cookies, Mick Arison – Carnival, Donald Trump, Gloria Estefan)
6. Florida Critters (alligators, sharks, manatees, shrimp, etc.)
7. Florida foods (Key Lime pie, Orange Juice, etc.)
8. Tourist Places (Disney, Weeke Wachie, Marineland, Ringling Brothers, Daytona Beach, Silver Springs, Dry Tortugas Park, etc.)
9. Space (shuttle, rockets, moon rocks, Cape Kennedy)
10. The Everglades (swamp land, air boats, etc)
11. Florida beaches – sand, surf, fun, spring break, what are they famous for
12. Shells and other unique Florida features – coquina
13. The Panhandle – what it is known for
14. The Keys – what it is known for or famous for
15. Florida weather – hurricanes and other famous storms
16. Volusia County – what is famous and well known in our own little spot of the world

Feel free to come up with your own topics and add as many as you like.