

Principles of government and law developed by leading European thinkers
Thomas Hobbes, John Locke, and Montesquieu may be found in the
Constitution of Virginia, the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of
the United States.

Limited government

John Locke, Thomas
Hobbes, (Constitution
of Virginia, Constitution
of the United States of
America, Declaration of
Independence

**Fundamental political
principles**

Separation of powers

Montesquieu (Constitution of the
United States of America,
Constitution of Virginia)

**Government's authority
coming only from the consent
of the governed**

John Locke (Declaration of
Independence, Constitution of
the United States of America)

The student will demonstrate knowledge of the political philosophies that shaped the development of Virginia and United States constitutional governments by:
c) examining the writings of Hobbes, Locke, and Montesquieu.