

Thoughtful and effective participation in civic life depends upon the exercise of good citizenship.



Fundamental political concepts

Fundamental worth and dignity of the individual:
All persons are entitled to life, liberty, and due process under the law.

Equality:
equal rights and treatment before the law.

Majority rule:
The will of the majority as expressed through elections is fundamental to the American system.

Minority rights:
The Constitution of the United States protects the rights of the few from oppression. **Compromise:**
The structure of the United States government necessitates compromise.

Individual freedom:
All persons are born free, equal, and independent.

An analysis of current events demonstrates contemporary applications of democratic concepts.

The student will demonstrate knowledge of the concepts of democracy by recognizing:
a) the fundamental worth and dignity of the individual, b) the equality of all citizens under the law, c) majority rule and minority rights, d) the necessity of compromise, and e) the freedom of the individual