Anchor Standard:	C.5 Students will understand the ways in which a citizen can use their basic rights to influence the decisions of the republic.				
Grade Level/Band Standard:	9-12.C.5.5 Explain the role of political parties and special interest groups in the political process.				
Student Friendly Language:	I can understand the impact of political parties and special interest groups on politics.				
What prior knowledge do students need to have to be successful on this standard?					
The definition of government and politics.					
Students Will Know (Factual Knowledge)		Students will Understand (Historical Inquiry)	Students Will be Able to Do (Performance Based)		
• The role of political parties and special interest groups in the Constitutional system.		 Strategic methods of influencing governmental decisions are used by political parties as well as interest groups based on ideological motives. Influence of political parties on politics can change over time based on the rise or fall of political party popularity amongst citizens. Special interest groups are informed by ideology or represent particular interests and impact government primarily through lobbying and fundraising. 	 Identify different political parties and special interest groups. Explain how political parties and interest groups create platforms and address issues. Demonstrate understanding on how political parties impact government through different channels. Evaluate the role of special interest groups and their methods by which they impact US government 		
Vocabulary (Key Terms Used Students)	•	What are possible misconceptions students may have with respect to this standard?			

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 Political Party One-party system Two-party system Special Interest Groups Platform Democrat Republican Minority Party/Third Party (list any) Liberal Conservative Moderate Independent Political action Lobby Ideology 	thus they do not need to listen to opp	nt believes that their political viewpoint is superior and			
Essential Understanding:	OSEUS Connection Essential Understanding: Descriptive Connection Between Social Studies and OSEU:				
N/A	• N/A				
	Vertical Alignment				
 Previous Learning Connections No examples of previous learning could be found. This may be the first time students are exposed to this. 	 Current Learning Connections Political parties and special interest groups during the political process. Connecting the role and action of student governance boards. Connecting the role and action of local governance boards. Draw connections to novels or readings that are being addressed in other courses. 	 Future Learning Connections Real-life Application. Vote. Register to vote. Participate politically. Membership in Interest Groups. Donate to Interest groups. 			

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	 World History, Sociology, Psychology, U.S. History, and Economic coursework. 			
C3 Framework Relevant Skills and Applications				
 ideas associated with a supporting question D1.4.9-12. Explain how supporting question questions emerge. Evaluating Sources and Using Evidence: D3.1.9-12. Gather relevant information fr context, and corroborative value of the soce D4.3.9-12. Present adaptations of argume range of audiences and venues outside the soce 	nd disagreement experts have about interpretations and applications of disciplinary concepts and on. ons contribute to an inquiry and how, through engaging source work, new compelling and supporting om multiple sources representing a wide range of views while using the origin, authority, structure,			
Examp	ole strategies to reach depth and intention of the standard			
	nections to current legislation (city, state, or federal). an ideological assessment to find where they may sit on a political spectrum.			
	Possible Civic Engagement Activities are explicitly tied to the curriculum that are used to assess the knowledge, skills and dispositions of n include research, advocacy, direct or indirect action.			
Activity:	Description on How to Use the Activity and How it Meets the Grade Level:			
 Contact an organization with whose platform you agree and see how you can get involved 	 After completing an ideological assessment, the students can send letters, postcards, or emails to politicians who have similar beliefs. 			

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Host a panel discussionForm a club	 Group students together by different political parties and have them conduct research on 3-4 issues favored by the party. The students would present the issues to the class in a panel discussion format and take questions from the crowd. Students could work with school administration to form clubs like Young Democrats or Young Republicans.
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