

## A.P. Government and Economics Summer Reading Assignment 2011-2012

In response to New York's reluctance to ratify the Constitution, Alexander Hamilton, James Madison, and John Jay published more than eighty essays in New York newspapers to allay New Yorker's fears. You are to read the six selections (from what has been called The Federalist Papers) listed in this assignment in preparation for the summer reading exam when you return to school in September. You may find the Federalist Papers at the following web address or find one of your own choosing, as long as the site you choose has the complete writings: <http://www.foundingfathers.info/federalistpapers/>

A thorough familiarity with the US Constitution would enhance your chances for a better understanding of the reading assignment. A copy of the Constitution is also available online

Your assignment for Summer Reading 2011-12 in AP Government and Economics is to read the complete versions of the following Federalist Papers:

Federalist Paper #6 Domestic Insurrection

Federalist Paper #10 Factions

Federalist Paper #51 Checks and Balances

Federalist Paper #68 Electoral College

Federalist Paper #69 Presidential Powers

Federalist Paper #78 Judicial Review

You will certainly benefit and be better prepared for the Summer Reading Test, which will account for 20% of your 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter grade, if you outline and notate these readings.

**Completion of this work does not guarantee entrance into the A.P. U.S. Government and Economics Course.**