9th Grade AP United States Government-Unit 6 Test Study Guide

*Be familiar with the following ideas, terms, and concepts for your unit 6 test which will cover chapters 4, 5, and 14. The test questions are pulled from the text test bank so be sure you have read the chapters thoroughly and carefully.*

\*Civil Liberties vs Civil Rights, what do they cover?, how do they differ?

\*Bill of Rights, incorporation of the bill of rights, why was it necessary?

\*Freedom of speech, limits (libel, slander, obscenity)

\*Clear and Present Danger vs. Imminent lawless action test

\*Symbolic speech

\*Freedom of the press, prior restraint

\*Freedom of Religion; Establishment clause and the Free Exercise clause

\*2nd amendment, right to bear arms

\*Right to privacy, where does it come from?, abortion (*Roe v Wade*), sexual relations

\*Due process, what is it?, why is it important?

\*Exclusionary rule

\*Limits on the police, cruel and unusual punishment, know which amendment protect defendants and what the amendment protects

\*Equal protection clause of the 14th amendment, history, why is it important?

\*School desegregation, *Brown v. Board of Education*

\*Civil Rights Act of 1964, what led up to it?, what did it do?, legacy?

\*Voting Rights Act of 1965, what led up to it?, what did it do?, legacy?

\*Civil Right Act of 1968, what led up to it?, what did it do?, legacy?

\*Issues facing minority groups (Blacks, Native Americans, Hispanics, Asians, Women, Gays, Disabled)

\*Affirmative Action, what is it?, what is it used for?, who support/opposes?

\*De jure discrimination vs. de facto discrimination

\*Jurisdiction

\*Judicial Review, what is it?, what case established it?, how does it contribute to check and balances?

\*Writ of Certiorari, briefs, friend of the court briefs (amicus curiae)

\*Acceptance by the Supreme Court, how?, process?

\*Conference committee, process

\*Precedent, why are they important? Why don’t courts like to overrule old precedent often? *Stare Decisis*

\*Opinions of the court, different types, purposes

\*Different types of courts, responsibilities, relationship to the Supreme Court

\*Judicial nominations, who appoints? Confirms? Political issues? Senatorial courtesy?

\*How do justices make their decisions?

\*Originalism vs. Living Constitution, political division

\*Judicial restraint vs. judicial activism

\*Be familiar with the 15 required Supreme Court cases (see cheat sheet for assistance)