



TIMPANOGOS

SOCIAL STUDIES



» PUBLIC POLICY PROJECT RESOURCES:

Purpose

The purpose of this page is to provide ideas and resources for your public policy research topics. The resources provided here are not intended to take the place of your own research, rather, they are provided to enhance the research you will do. I have provided some of these resources because they are not readily available through normal internet research and are thus not easily accessible to most students.

Handouts

Public Policy Packet 2008-09
Research & Presentation Rubric

Using the Library: The Media Center is going to have books on most of the subjects you will research.

2000 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

Pre-election overview
Exit Polls
Election results, House and Senate
Bush and Gore on the issues

2004 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

Exit Polls

» National Security Issues

GENERAL RESOURCES FOR NATIONAL SECURITY

NATIONAL SECURITY BLOG (VIDEO)
FAS
GLOBAL SECURITY
NATIONAL SECURITY ARCHIVES
PROJECT ON GOVERNMENT SECRECY (FAS)
BULLETIN OF ATOMIC SCIENTISTS

EXTRAORDINARY RENDITION

Extraordinary Rendition (Frontline)

ENHANCED INTERROGATION

John Yoo on Gitmo decision (Wall St. Jnl)
Cheney v Obama on torture (Politico)
Hayden on the release of memos (Wall St. Jnl)

News Hour (watch the streaming video)
The Torture Question (Frontline)
Senate Armed Services Committee Report on Treatment of Detainees
Bush Legacy on Torture (Time)

WAR ON TERRORISM

Guantanamo Tribunals (CBS News interactive)
National Security Blog (video on the predator)

DRUG WARS / MEXICAN DRUG CARTELS

Drug war threatens to cross U.S. border (CNN)
Cartels fueling violence (NPR)
Mexican Drug Wars (NPR)

INTELLIGENCE

CIA (home page)
CIA (info from FAS)
CIA World Fact Book
NSA (National Security Agency)
NSA (CNN In depth)
Echelon (FAS info)
Echelon (Report on Echelon)
European study of Echelon (NYTimes)

WEAPONS AND TECHNOLOGY

Missile Wars (Frontline Special)
Missile Wars Video (NORAD) (RealPlayer Required)
The Nuclear Football (Global Security)

9-11 (Preventing, Conspiracy Theories)

Top Conspiracy Theories
Debunking 9-11 Myths (Popular Mechanics)
9-11 Mystery Aircraft (CNN)

WIRETAPPING / DATA MINING / NSA

Spy Factory (NOVA)
Spying on the Homefront (Frontline)
Interview with James Bamford, NPR (Audio)
Interview on Seattle Public Radio (Audio):
Part 1, Part 2, Part 3
Interview with James Bamford (Audio)
James Bamford speech to the ACUL (Audio)
Bamford on Spying Program
Debate over wiretapping, News Hour (Streaming video & transcript...take note of the arguments presented for and against wiretapping)

WAR IN IRAQ, JUSTIFICATIONS, ETC.

The Dark Side (Frontline)
Dead Wrong (CNN report into prewar intelligence)
War based on false pretenses (MSNBC)
NIE Key Judgements (FAS)
George Tenet's Slam Dunk (Washington Post)
What happened to the WMD's? (view the interview "Confession of Saddam Hussein")
Pro v. Con, War in Iraq
Buying the War (Bill Moyers)
War and Decision (Miller Center)

GENERAL RESOURCES FOR DOMESTIC ISSUES:

Pro v. Con
SIRS Knowledge Source, Leading Issues

ABORTION

Who is Jane Roe (CNN)
The Issues: Abortion
Abortion interactive (CBS News)
High Court Ducks Major Abortion Ruling
Senate Passes Unborn Victims bill (CBS News March 04)
President Bush Signs Unborn Victims bill (CBS News)
The infamous case of Roe v. Wade
Was Roe v. Wade rightly decided? (CNN)
Abortion Debate at the Crossroads (CBS News, 2003)

GAY ADOPTION

Pro and Con (Time Article)

GAY MARRIAGE

California Court upholds ban (CNN)
Same-sex marriage, state to state
The Secular Case Against Gay Marriage (MIT College Newspaper)

Gay Marriage (The Pew Forum)

State by State
Gay Marriage Info
DOMA Watch
Defense of Marriage Act (Thomas)

GUN CONTROL

Assault Weapons ban (slide show)

CORPORATE CRIME (WHITE COLLAR CRIME)

Corruption business as usual

DEATH PENALTY

The Death Penalty (The Pew Forum)

RELIGION IN SCHOOLS (Evolution v. Creationism)

The Debate over Evolution (The Pew Forum)

Darwin under the microscope (Uncommon Knowledge)
Debating Evolution in the classroom (NPR)
Doubting Darwin (NPR)
Louisiana Evolution Law
Court rules against creationism (Check for related video)
Pro Evolution Blog
Evolution Sceptics Blog

DNA TESTING

The basics of dna testing

MEDICAL MARIJUANA