

Advanced Placement  
United States:  
Government & Politics  
**'11 Summer Reading**

**Directions:** Each student enrolled in AP Government for the 2011-2012 school year must read the **TWO** books listed below before class starts in the fall.

As you read each of the books below, you are expected to **take notes** on the books. These notes may be collected by your teacher when you start in the fall.

Be prepared to complete a teacher's assignment related to the books, take a test on the books and/or participate in relevant discussions.

- *Presidential Courage: Brave Leaders and How They Changed America 1789-1989* by **Michael Beschloss**
- *Hardball* by **Chris Matthews**