## Pennridge HS 9th Grade Resource Opt Out Recommendations

Resource	Reason(s) for Opt Out
The Hillsdale 1776 Curriculum: American Government & Politics Lessons 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4, 8.1, 5.1, 5.2, 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, 6.4, 6.5, 6.6, 8.3, 7.1, 7.2, 7.3, 7.4	Concern: Lessons contain bias, inaccurate historical content, concepts and statements developmentally inappropriate for ninth-graders.
	Action Step: Request from district lessons that are developed by Pennridge teachers and lessons that are not influenced by the Hillsdale 1776 Curriculum.
American Government and Politics, Joseph Bessettee & John Pitney (All Chapters)	Concern: College level textbook. Book is used in political science college courses. Not developmentally appropriate for the 9th grade. Textbook did not go through Pennridge's textbook approval process.
	Action Step: Request from the district a replacement textbook on a ninth-grade reading level.
We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution, Center for Civic Education Lessons (All Lessons)	Concern: These lessons are inadequate and do not meet Pennridge's minimum curriculum standards.
	Action Step: Request this to be replaced with Pennridge teacher designed lessons that include essential lesson criteria such as lesson directions, essential questions, big ideas, formative assessments, etc.
Letter to the Massachusetts Militia, John Adams	Concern: College level reading level.
	Action Step: Request from the district a replacement resource on a ninth-grade reading level.
Letter to the Hebrew Congregation, George Washington	Concern: College level reading level.
	Action Step: Request from the district a replacement resource on a ninth-grade reading level.
Bill for the Support of the Poor, Thomas Jefferson	Concern: College level reading level.
	Action Step: Request from the district a replacement resource on a ninth-grade reading level.
"Property," James Madison	Concern: College level reading level.
	Action Step: Request from the district a replacement resource on a ninth-grade reading level.
Speech at Peoria, Abraham Lincoln	Concern: College level reading level.
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"What is Progress" Woodrow Wilson	Concern: College level reading level.
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