## PRESCOTT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

## District Instructional Guide 2014/2015 School Year

Grade Level: Subject: Law Semester: 1st Semester, 2nd Semester Core Text: In class packets

Time Block	Unit / Theme	Content (Nouns)	Skills (Verbs)	Common Core Standards	Assessments / Benchmarks
Quarter 1 Weeks 1-3	Foundations of Law  Historical Influences on Law  Current Events	Hammurabi US Legal Foundations Precedents	Identify the characteristics of a law.  Compare and contrast various types of laws and how they are implemented.  Evaluate how significant historical events impacted the creation of and enforcement of law.		Vocab Intro Current Event – summer assignment Guest Attorney Unit Exam
Quarter 1 Weeks 4 – 9	Criminal Law Civil Law Constitutional Amendments 4-6 Torts Contract Law Traffic Law	Criminal Civil Traffic Tort Establishment clause Double Jeopardy Self Incrimination Eminent Domain Right to Counsel Cruel and Unusual Punishment	Evaluate how the need to protect the accused influenced the founders in the writing of the US Constitution.  Compare criminal to civil cases.  Examine traffic law and the potential for felonies and misdemeanors.  Evaluate how the Fourth  Amendment protections on search and seizure are interpreted by the		Notebook Check Guest Speakers: Attorney Officer Wolf Gideon v. Wainwright Unit Exam Examine contracts

			federal courts and implemented by law enforcement.	
Quarter 2 Weeks 11-15	Beginning Trial Procedures Courtroom Basics Theme and theory of cases Openings Directs Exam Cross Exam	Well Bench Jury Box Prosecution/Plaintiff Defense Witness Affidavit	Identify the role and function of the members in a trial.  Learn the trial process via Mock Trial practice.  Using both civil and criminal cases, prepare and present mock trial performances.	Extemporaneous speaking Civil and Criminal practice cases Courtroom observations Mock Trial practice Guest Attorneys
Quarter 2 Weeks 16-19	Closing Arguments Objections Competition case	Hearsay Asked and answered Opinion Relevance Ultimate issue Out of scope	Evaluate how the trial procedures in the United states protect the rights of Americans. Compare and contrast civil v. criminal cases  Practice presentation skills  Review competition case for spring competition	Practice civil cases Courtroom observations Mock Trial practice Guest Attorneys Create teams
Quarter 2 Week 20	Final Exam	Review all items from semester  Winter break assignment		Final Exam  Assignment for break

Quarter 3 Semester 2 Weeks 1-4	Affidavits and competition case  Performance  Courtroom etiquette  Cross examination  Objections	Proper behavior Cross examination techniques Reasonable Suspicion Probable Cause Exclusionary Rule Due Process	Assess how to present an argument in a way to best advocate for your witness.  Use evidence and data to help support the claims made in your case.  Develop public speaking skills by various methods of practice.	Mock Trial practice and performance  Extemporaneous speaking Unit Exam
Quarter 3 Semester 2 Weeks 5-9	Formal scrimmages with local teams  Courtroom details  Timekeeping and details with opening and closings	Review of laws associated with competition case  Practice speaking without any note cards or written script  Timing and following the theme of the case  Writing a closing that will allow for changes during the trial.	Evaluate how Attorneys prepare for trial and what type of information to listen for during the case to develop your cross exams and your closing.  Speaking and timing.  Final competition prep	Formal presentations and scrimmage prior to competition  Dress rehearsal  Formal Competition

Quarter 4 Semester 2 Week 11-14	Ethics Constitutional Amendments 1, 7, 8 Due Process	Ethics Law that enforce behaviors First Amendment rights and application to schools, churches, public institutions Civil Disobedience Workplace ethics	Evaluate the reasons and impact of the First Amendment rights and freedom of expression v. ethics.  Review cases of ethical violations in private and public sector.  Evaluate the impact various civil rights movements have helped promote ethics in business and public institutions.	Notebook Check Guest Speaker Discussions Not for sale series Unit Exam
Quarter 4 Week 15-17	Business Law Contract Law	Contracts Torts Business plans Mergers Acquisitions	Compare and contrast different types of business contracts.  Evaluate the law when enforcing various types of contracts.  Identify the responsibilities of business and government with regards to mergers and acquisitions.	Business plan  Market watch  Business games  Guest speakers
Quarter 4  Week 18	Review and Final Exam		Assess knowledge obtained by students in relation to US and Arizona law acquired during semester and year.	Final Exam