**Civics – American Government Class**

**Chapter One, Section One – Government and the State**

**Vocabulary and Main Ideas**

**VOCABULARY:**

Government

Public policy

Legislative power

Executive power

Judicial power

Constitution

Dictatorship

Democracy

State

Sovereign

**CHARACTERISTICS OF THE STATE:**

Population

Territory

Sovereignty

Government

**ORIGIN OF THE STATE:**

Force Theory

Evolutionary Theory

Divine Right Theory

Social Contract Theory

**PURPOSE OF THE GOVERNMENT:**

Form a more perfect union

Establish justice

Insure domestic tranquility

Provide for the common defense

Promote the general welfare

Secure the blessings of liberty