US Government

American Political Landscape Project

Objectives: To understand how physical and cultural geography affects politics.

Directions: With your group, research the political landscape of your assigned region. Label the following on your regional map. Be prepared to present your information next class.

Group 1: Northeast

Group 2: Southeast

Group 3: Midwest

Group 4: West

Label on the map:

* Each state
* Electoral votes per state
* Major cities

Write around the map:

* Total population of region
* Racial breakdown
* Gender breakdown
* Religious groups represented
* Averages
  + Age
  + Average education attainment
  + Income inequality (average salaries, poverty rates, etc.)
  + Common occupations
  + GDP (what do they produce? significant on a national scale?)
  + **How the states voted in Election of 2016 & is this normal for each state?**
  + **Political representation (parties of MCs and US Senators)**

**Somewhere prevalent: Specific reasons for ideology (might vary within region)**