**American Government**

**Student Forum October 2013**

**Issue 1 – Foreign Aid**

1. Describe the controversy with U.S. foreign aid.
2. Where does the United States derive its power to give out foreign aid? (not in the newsletter)
3. List the top 5 countries receiving aid from the United States in 2012.
4. List the reasons for continuing foreign aid.
5. List the reasons opposed to continuing foreign aid.
6. Which viewpoint do you tend to side with? Why?

**Issue 2 – Minimum Wage**

1. Describe the controversy with minimum wage.
2. Why would the federal government have the power to set a minimum wage? (not in the newsletter)
3. What would the Fair Minimum Wage Act of 2013 do?
4. List reasons for raising the minimum wage.
5. List reasons opposed to raising the minimum wage.
6. Which viewpoint do you tend to side with? Why?