

CCHS Advance Placement Government & Politics (APGOPO) Class Wins State Championship in the "We The People" Competition for the 5th Consecutive Year

Congratulations to the West Virginia State "We The People" Champions. Clay County High School's Advance Placement Government & Politics class, taught by Mr. Philip Dobbins, traveled to Charleston on December 12, 2018 to compete in the "We the People" State Competition. This is a competition where students demonstrate their knowledge of the Constitution and current issues in mock congressional style hearings. Each school participating must divide their classes into six teams. These six teams prepare a four-minute verbal response to a constitutional question and then are asked follow up questions by a team of three judges for six minutes. Teams are scored on their knowledge of the Constitution and their ability to apply the concepts to their everyday lives as Americans.

Classes can have individual team winners and overall class winners. Clay County High School won six out of six individual team championships and won the overall class state championship defeating the champions from congressional districts one, Robert C. Byrd High School and congressional district three, Woodrow Wilson High School. By winning the state championship Clay County High School has earned a spot in the National Finals in Washington D.C. in April of this year. Members of the class are Clare Dawson, Adrien Dorsey, Kaitlin Ferree, Virginia Haverty, Emily Holcomb, Hunter Jones, Kaitlyn Mollohan, Sharina Ratliff, Logan Vance and Tailynn Varney.