**STEP 1: CREATING YOUR CONGRESSIONAL PROFILE**

You have randomly drawn the following:

 Political Party: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 State Representing: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

You are now responsible for creating a member of Congress, based off of your state and political party. This is the person that you will be “playing” in class during this week.

You can “make up” information for your congressional profile but it would probably be helpful to research either a senator or representative from the state and party that you drew to give you some ideas. Go to either the house website: [www.house.gov](http://www.house.gov) (Smith) or the senate website [www.senate.gov](http://www.senate.gov) (Smalley) to research a senator of representative to base your profile on.

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| **Standard**  | **4- Advanced**  | **3-Proficient** | **2-Partially Proficient** |
| Structure and Functions of Levels and Branches of Government  | Your profile is complete and contains all elements of profile description project and is based at least partially on a senator or representative from your state and party | Your profile is almost complete, but missing some elements of profile description and is lacking some of the attributes of an actual senator or representative | Your profile description is incomplete or lacking in information but contains at least some elements attributable to a representative or senator |

**Requirements:**

* Your Congressional Profile must be written in paragraph form and typed
* There is no length requirement for this writing assignment

**Required information:**

* **Paragraph One: Personal Description**
	+ Information in this paragraph is completely made up and must include:
		- Name
		- Age
		- Fun facts
* **Paragraph Two: Professional Description**
	+ Information in this paragraph is completely made up and must include:
		- Education (Where did you go to school/college?)
		- Prior Employment (Where have you worked?)
		- Reason for becoming a Congressperson
		- How you became a Congressperson (Big win, small win, etc.)
		- Two important issues (ex: Education, taxes, environment, etc.)
* **Paragraph Three: State Description**
	+ Information in this paragraph must come from:
		- Population of state
		- Persons per square mile
		- Capital of state
		- Key Industries for your state