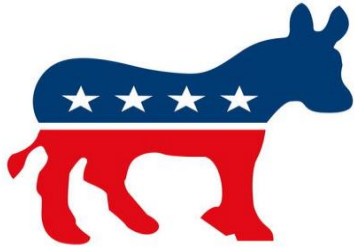


Democrats and Republicans

Political parties are groups of people who share similar beliefs about how the government should be run and how the issues facing our country should be solved. Currently, there are two main political parties in the United States are the Democratic Party and the Republican Party.

Democrats



Liberal

Stronger government regulations in business



Spend more money on social programs and issues



The federal government has a responsibility to be involved in solving problems



Environment: It is important, should be protected and kept clean



Health Care: The government should make health care affordable to people who can't afford it



Education: The government should support teachers and public school funds to make public schools better



Economy: During hard times, the government should help create jobs



Republicans

Conservative



Businesses should have the liberty to do what they want without interference from the government



Spend less money on social programs



The government should protect traditional social values



Defense: Spend money to have a strong military



Health Care: The government should not pay for people's health care



Education: People should be able to use public school funds to attend private schools if those schools are better than public schools



Economy: Businesses will create jobs and opportunities for people to be successful

