ACTIVITY / TEACHER INSTRUCTIONS:

Gallery Walk Instructions

- 1. Print and display the 5 articles below in different areas of the classroom.
- 2. Split students into 5 different groups and give each group the Gallery Walk Handout.
- 3. Instruct each group to choose a Reader, a Scribe, and a Reporter. Explain that the reader will be responsible for reading the article out loud for the group as the group members follow along. The Scribe will be responsible for writing down the group's thoughts on the Gallery Walk Handout. The Reporter will be responsible for sharing the group's thoughts with the class after the gallery walk is completed.
- 4. After groups have chosen roles, assign each group to a station. Set a time limit for groups to read, discuss, and complete the handout for that station.
- 5. At the end of the timer, groups rotate to the next station. Repeat the process until the groups have visited each station.
- 6. Students return to their seats. For each station, discuss the main idea and have the Reporters share which fundamental principle their group chose and why. Groups may have chosen different principles. Allow time for students to respond to each other.





BOB MCDONNELL CORRUPTION CHARGES



Richmond, VirginiaCNN —

Former Virginia Gov. Bob McDonnell is vowing to keep fighting the bribery accusations that on Tuesday landed him a two-year prison sentence.

Outside the federal courthouse in Richmond, the Republican said he was "deeply, deeply sorry" for the actions that led to his conviction on 11 felony public corruption charges, but that he "never, ever betrayed my sacred oath of office."

McDonnell and his attorneys vowed to appeal the convictions immediately.

The two years was a much shorter sentence than the 10 to 12 years that prosecutors had started the day asking for. But it was enough to rock McDonnell's children, family and friends, many of whom gasped as it was read and were left wiping away tears. When McDonnell left, his wife, Maureen McDonnell, who could face a similar sentence herself, remained in the courtroom, sobbing.

Eric Bradner, CNN



PHILLIP JONES ELECTED AS NEWPORT NEWS' MAYOR



NEWPORT NEWS, Va.

In the 2022 November General Election, voters in Newport News elected businessman and Marine Corps veteran Phillip Jones as their next mayor, after McKinley Price opted not to run for another term at the helm.

Jones, 33, becomes the youngest African American to win the mayoral seat in the city.

A current member of the city's planning commission, Jones gathered 40% of the votes,
beating three city council members by double-digit point margins.

Author: Alex Littlehales (WVEC)



SUPREME COURT BLOCKS BIDEN'S STUDENT LOANS PLAN



In a stinging defeat for President Joe Biden, the Supreme Court blocked the administration's student loan forgiveness plan Friday, rejecting a program aimed at delivering up to \$20,000 of relief to millions of borrowers struggling with outstanding debt.

The decision was 6-3 with Chief Justice John Roberts writing for the conservative supermajority.

It will immediately become a potent issue in the 2024 presidential race, as Biden can try to galvanize liberals by claiming the conservative court prevented him from delivering debt relief to voters. Republicans, meanwhile, are celebrating the ruling as a defeat for a "bailout" plan.

Republican-led states and conservatives challenging the program say it amounts to an unlawful attempt to erase an estimated \$430 billion of federal student loan debt under the guise of the pandemic.

By: Ariane de Vogue and Tierney Sneed



RICHMOND VOTERS DECISIVELY REJECT CASINO



The second time was not the charm for developers' dreams of building a casino in Richmond.

City voters appeared to have decisively rejected the idea in a referendum Tuesday, with more than 60% of votes cast opposing the measure at the time the Richmond Grand Resort & Casino's backers declared defeat.

Two hours after the polls closed, the Richmond Wins, Vote Yes PAC jointly funded by casino developers Churchill Downs and Urban One conceded defeat in a statement that described their \$10 million effort as "a community-centered campaign to create more opportunities for residents of this great city to rise into the middle class."

Tuesday night's results presented a far clearer rejection of the casino than a 2021 referendum that saw voters split 51% to 49% against the proposal and represented a blow for Richmond Mayor Levar Stoney, a vocal cheerleader of the project.

BY: SARAH VOGELSONG



TEXAS ARGUES STATE'S RIGHTS IN BORDER DISPUTE



Over the past few weeks, a quiet legal crisis has been unfolding on the US-Mexico border. Texas has seized control of part of the border and claimed the right to prevent federal authorities from exercising jurisdiction there. After the US supreme court ruled that the federal government could tear down razor wire erected by Texas authorities, the state vowed to erect more – and Governor Greg Abbott claimed that because the federal government had failed to protect his state from an "invasion" of refugees, it has "broken the compact between the United States and the States" and lost the right to exercise authority over the border altogether.

By: Andrew Gawthorpe

Gallery Walk Handout

GROUP NAMES:

