State/Local Current Events Week 1

I want you to stay informed!! Before 7:30 a.m. each Monday morning, you need to upload two news stories from a reputable news service to the civics Moodle page. One story needs to be about a story that affects the entire state, the other a more local issue. Please attach a word document with the following information.

* Title of story number one
* URL of the story number one
* A summary of the story
* A statement of how the story affects you as a citizen and why you classified it as a local or state story
* Title of story number two
* URL of story number two
* A summary of the story
* A statement of how the story affects you as a citizen and why you classified it as a local or state story

Format Example

Local story:

**Purses snatched from 2 sisters returning home**

<http://www.hometownlife.com/article/20111204/NEWS10/112040460/Purses-snatched-from-2-sisters-returning-home?odyssey=mod|newswell|text|Livonia|s>

Thursday night two sisters were robbed in the five mile and Middlebelt area. The sisters were returning home from shopping when a black male approached the women, stealing a purse and fanny pack. One woman was injured at the scene and received medical treatment. No suspects have been identified.

This is a local issue due to the location and nature of the crime. Services were offered by the fire and police departments of Livonia. This affects me because I should be more careful when I am out in the community. I also may want to check up on the elderly within my community.

State story:

Michigan governor to sign anti-bullying measure

<http://content.usatoday.net/dist/custom/gci/InsidePage.aspx?cId=hometownlife&sParam=38086187.story>

Governor Snyder will sign an anti-bullying law into effect on Tuesday. This law will give public school districts 6 months to put anti-bullying policies into place. The law met some resistance, but has now been approved.

This is a state issue due to the fact that it was passed at the state level and will be enforced on a state wide level. This will affect me by having new policies to write and enforce with the school.

Each student should be prepared to present their news stories on any Monday/Tuesday. I will be randomly choosing people to present. Each person will be called on at least once in the trimester.