POST-INTERNSHIP SURVEY

1. Since the beginning of 9th grade, how much American government or civics course work have you completed up to now?
   a. None
   b. Less than ½ year
   c. ½ year
   d. Between ½ year and 1 year
   e. 1 year
   f. more than 1 year

2. How much do you like studying American government or civics?
   a. It is one of my favorite subjects
   b. It is interesting
   c. I like several other subjects better

3. How much do you feel that having elections makes the government pay attention to what people think when it decides what to do? On a 1 to 5 scale, with 1 being “not much” and 5 being “a great deal.”

4. How much attention do you feel the government pays attention to what people think when it decides what to do? On a 1 to 5 scale, with 1 being “not much” and 5 being “a great deal.”

5. Have you ever worked on a political campaign before this class?
   a. Yes
   b. No

If yes, please explain:

6. Are you registered to vote?
   a. Yes
7. If you are registered to vote, are you a
   a. Democrat
   b. Republican
   c. Independent
   d. Other. Please explain:

8. How often do you vote?
   a. Every election (off-year, presidential, special elections, primary elections)
   b. Presidential and off-year federal elections (fall of even-numbered years)
   c. Only in presidential years
   d. I never vote
   e. This will be my first election eligible to vote and I
      i. Plan to vote
      ii. Do not plan to vote

9. What is your general attitude towards elected officials? Please explain.

10. What is your general attitude towards campaigns in Florida? Please explain.

11. On a scale of 1 through 5, with 1 being least satisfied and 5 being most satisfied, how would you rate your satisfaction with campaigns in Florida? (Circle one)

   1  2  3  4  5

12. Do you volunteer for a community service organization in your neighborhood?
   a. Yes
   b. No

13. Do you pay attention to activities related to local government in your town?
   a. Yes
   b. No
14. Would you say that you stay abreast of current events? Do you regularly watch the news and/or read a daily newspaper?
   a. Yes
   b. No

15. Do you think you can make a difference by becoming involved in your community?
   a. Yes
   b. No

16. Do you think you did make a difference, changing the direction of the City of St. Petersburg, by becoming involved in the 2009 St. Petersburg municipal election?
   a. Yes
   b. No

17. To you, what does it mean to be a “citizen”?

18. What were your expectations going in to the campaign internship this semester?
19. Did the campaign internship meet those expectations?

20. What did you learn about campaigns and elections and about American government through your participation in this internship?

21. What have you learned about Florida and St. Petersburg politics as a result of the internship experience?

22. What do you think is the most important skill (or skills) that you learned as a result of your campaign internship?
23. Have you learned any lessons that you believe will help you in future work or professional situations? Please describe.

24. Would you recommend to future students that they should participate in a similar Practical Politics internship experience? Why or Why not?

Please use the below space (and reverse) to leave any additional comments about what you learned from the Practical Politics summer internship that were not covered in the above questions.