Showcase Your State’s Stats!

A brochure is a small booklet containing information about a particular product or service. Your task is to create a tri-fold brochure for potential homesteaders to learn about your state’s statehood history, economy, education, government and political features. Complete the attached handouts by Thursday, March 31st,  to help guide your research and keep your topic narrow.

For the Government section, research the following:

1. National Government
	1. Number of US Senators   \_\_\_\_\_\_\_     US Representatives   \_\_\_\_\_\_
	2. My state has \_\_\_\_ electoral vote(s) and historically votes (choose 1):
		1. Republican (red)
		2. Democrat  (blue)
		3. Independent
		4. Swing (typically changes)
2. State Government
	1. My state’s current governor is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
		1. His/Her party affiliation is (choose 1):
			1. Republican (red)
			2. Democrat  (blue)
			3. Independent
			4. Other
		2. He/She has served \_\_\_\_\_ years as Governor.

Here are some tips to help you get started with your brochure once your research is complete:

1. Be specific. You have a limited amount of space to provide information.
2. Pay attention to the layout. Break up information by sections, and use headings.
3. Use the front cover to entice readers. This page is what will get people to pick up your brochure. Provide an eye-catching photo of a famous landmark in your state.

<http://www.netstate.com> is a helpful website particularly when researching the economy.

***Extra credit opportunity:*** research the charter school movement in your state and include a subsection under the education heading describing the highlights you find out.

A reminder to record all of your sources!

**Final brochure due Thursday, April 7th**.

**Completed handouts due Thursday, March 31st.**