

Statehouse

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Story Due: 11:59 p.m. on March 22nd, 11:59 p.m..

You may work on this assignment individually or in a team of two. Your assignment is to cover a story of relevance to the operations or outputs of the state government. You have a great deal of freedom on the topic so long as it connects to state, rather than only local or federal government.

Shoot for 400-500 words. Include three possible headlines. Two primary sources, minimum.

The story must be written in AP style. Aim to have a compelling lede and a clear, engaging nut graf. When you call a source, you should identify yourself to any sources as “X, doing a story on X for possible publication in *Madison Commons*, an online news outlet here in Madison.” List all sources, their title (if appropriate), and contact information (i.e. phone number or email) at the bottom of the story. The source list does not count as part of the word count of the story. I reserve the right to check in with your sources.

Turn in the story on Canvas by the deadline.