

# Political Parties

- Founding fathers → didn't like political parties
- Believed political parties were **divisive** and had **negative influence** on the government



“There is nothing which I dread so much as the division of the Republic into two great parties...in opposition to each other...”

“If I could not go to heaven but with a party, I would not go there at all.”



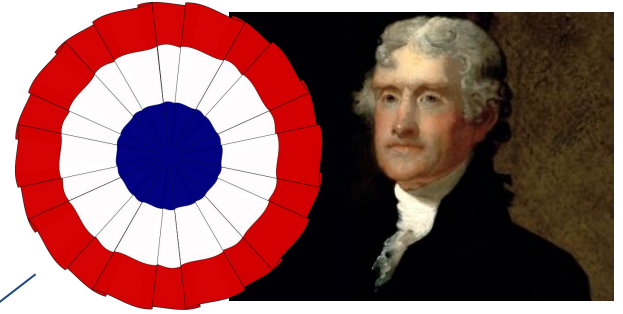
# Two-Party System

- Constitution → no mention of political parties  
*(none existed when it was written)*
- Arose as a result of differing opinions

Federalist Party



Democratic Republican Party



**Democrat Party**

National Republican Party → Whig Party



**Republican Party**

# HOMework

Read Chapter 8 Section 4

*Create a mnemonic for the **six steps of the policymaking process**. Then explain which step in the process you think is the most important and which is the least important.*

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