Weekly Current Events: Posted: 9.29.2019

[David French. “California Takes Righteous Aim at NCAA Cartel.” *National Review*. 10.1.19](https://www.nationalreview.com/2019/10/california-college-sports-law-takes-aim-at-ncaa-cartel/)

1. What policy has California recently passed and who does it affect?
2. What is the author’s central point?
3. How does he compare athletes and non-athletes in terms of “earning power”?
4. Why does he say “a game of chicken in underway”?
5. Would you characterize his argument as conservative or liberal? Why?

[Walter Shapiro. “Pete Buttigieg’s Undeniable Allure.” *The New Republic*. 10.4.19.](https://newrepublic.com/article/155246/pete-buttigiegs-undeniable-allure)

1. What political quality or trait does the author say can be important in politics?
2. What state is this reported from? Why is this candidate spending time there?
3. What political unknown from 2006 does the author compare to Mayor Pete?
4. What are Buttigieg’s chances to win the Democratic nomination?
5. What past Republican presidential hopeful does he compare Mayor Pet with? How so?
6. Does the author seem to be for, against, or neutral on this candidate?

[Joe Biden. “Trump Won’t Destroy me or My Family.” *Washington Post*. 10.5.19.](https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/joe-biden-trump-wont-destroy-me-and-he-wont-destroy-my-family/2019/10/05/9544b9a4-e7cc-11e9-a6e8-8759c5c7f608_story.html)

1. What does Joe Biden accuse Trump of doing?
2. What is Biden’s overall argument or point?
3. What alliances does he point out that exist between Trump and others?
4. What policies or initiatives does Biden say he will work toward?