

2020 AP United States History Summer Project

Welcome to Advanced Placement United States History (APUSH). This is a college level course that explores American History from 1491 to the present. This course is designed to accomplish several goals: 1) to build on and expand your knowledge and curiosity about the evolution of our country, 2) improve your writing and critical thinking skills and, 3) to prepare you for college and, 4) to prepare you for the APUSH exam in May. It is important that you are committed to preparing for this course on your own time and coming to each class prepared. In order to be prepared for the first day of school, you need to complete the following assignments over the summer, as well as study for a short quiz that will be administered the first day of class. Both parts of the assignment are due the first day of class.

Part I: Reading Questions for Chapter 1

- Read Chapter 1 in the textbook. The PDF is on Schoology – Join “AP US History Summer Project” Course (The Code is on the JHS Website – or email Ms. Amador at Amador.A@monet.k12.ca.us)
- Complete the Summer Project Chapter 1 Reading Assignment. It is a Schoology assignment in the APUSH Summer Project Schoology Course. You will read the chapter and then answer the questions in the attached Google Doc. Answer the questions for each section. You can use either complete sentences or a bulleted list, depending on the question – just make sure your answers are thorough.
- Read the entire sections before you answer the questions – you will find information throughout the section to help you develop a thorough answer.

Part II: Videos

- Complete the four EdPuzzle video assignments that are on Schoology about European colonization of the Americas.

****Due Dates****

1. Summer Project (Ch. 1 Reading Questions and all 4 Videos) – due the first day of school (Monday, August 10th – by 8 a.m.)
2. Chapter 1 Quiz – 1st day of class

Extra Credit Opportunities

- You can earn extra credit on your Summer Project if you turn in all Parts – 1 & 2 (Ch. 1 Reading Questions and the 4 Videos) before the first day of school. You have 2 options for extra credit:
 - Option #1: Complete and submit everything by Friday, July 31st at midnight to earn 10 points of extra credit.
 - OR**
 - Option #2: Complete and submit everything by Friday, August 7th at midnight to earn 5 points of extra credit.
- There will also be a few optional extra credit opportunities during the summer, so check Schoology and join the APUSH Remind.

*** Late work is only accepted for 1 day with a 25% point deduction!**

The summer project is necessary so you don't have to read two chapters the first week of school. The assignment shouldn't take much of your time, but you will find that by completing these assignments prior to our first day of class you will have a better understanding of US History and be prepared for a successful year in this course. You should also study the 13 Colonies Map and be prepared for a quiz the 1st month of school.

If you have any questions regarding the summer project, please contact me at amador.a@monet.k12.ca.us throughout the summer. (Do not message me through Schoology – send an email.)

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