A Parent and Student Introduction
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What is the AP US History Test?

- May 5, 2017 ($63)
- 55 MC Test Questions in 55 minutes 40%
- 4 Short Answer Questions in 50 minutes 20%
- DBQ- Document Based ? In 55 minutes 25%
- 1 FRQ Long Essay in 35 minutes 15%
- Total test is Graded on a 5 point scale
  - 3 and higher considered passing
2. Type in the name of the college or university whose AP policy you want to view (or browse by letter of the alphabet).
3. You will see two things for each school that has provided their AP credit policy info:
   - A link to the college’s own Web page that details its AP credit and placement policies.
   - A statement by the college or university about its AP policy.
### 2015 and 2016 APUSH Test Info:

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9 Historical Periods
- Starting with Pre-Columbian Civilizations through present day

9 Historical Thinking Skills under 4 headings
- Analyzing Historical Sources and Evidence
- Making Historical Connections
- Chronological Reasoning
- Creating and Supporting a Historical Argument

7 Thematic Learning Objectives
- American and National Identity/Migration and Settlement/America in the World/Politics and Power
- Culture and Society/Work, Exchange, Tech/Geography and Environment
- Think of these as buckets of organization

Drive what we do and how we think each day
How Hard is APUSH?

- Equivalent to a college survey class
  - Reality - Much harder (Content/Time)
- Huge Content area:
  - Pre-Columbian-Present Day
- What is REALLY EXPECTED:
  - Mastery of Content
  - Test Taking/Reading/Writing/Note taking Skills
  - Critical Thinking
Pacing

- We will move at a pace of 1-2 Chapters/Week
  - 31 Chapters in 31 Weeks
  - Projects
    - Debates, Presentations
  - Readings (15 pages average a night)
    - Textbook, Articles, scholarly reviews, primary and secondary sources
  - Nightly Homework = 1 hour on average
  - Assessment: Multiple Choice Tests; Short Answers, DBQ’s; FRQ’s
Readings

- **College Based Textbook**
  - *America’s History- Henretta (School provided text and Digital Copy)*
  - *Recommended:*
    - *United States History—Preparing for the Advanced Placement Examination, 2015 Edition*

- **Primary/Historical Scholarship Source Documents**
  - *American Issues*
  - Countless other scanned/copied documents on website
My Expectations

- Hard Work – you CANNOT coast through this class.
- Grading will be tough but fair
  - Remember-this is college level work and is graded as such.
- Keep up-It is much easier to keep than catch up
- Honesty and integrity (No cheating)
- Work together (Study Groups/Projects)
- Ask for help when you need it
- Manage your TIME!
  - YOU CAN HAVE A LIFE AND TAKE AP!
I will communicate as much as possible through the website and emails (CHECK IT!)
- Due dates/Documents/Links

I will help you through this class but I won’t enable bad habits = We work TOGETHER!

I don’t have all the answers – I will work as hard as possible to PREPARE you to be SUCCESSFUL!
There will be days……
- There will be days you will love this class
- There will be days you curse me

There will be days…..
- I pat you on the back and sympathize
- I kick you in the rear and wake you up to my reality
- This is a marathon, not a sprint. It will hurt for awhile but then you will find your stride finish strong.

I LOVE HISTORY and it is MY JOB:
- To get you to maybe not love….but at least appreciate history
- Prepare you to be a better student now and later
- To help you develop the skills needed to pass the class and test
- To have as much fun as we possible can during the journey
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