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Social Studies Department
2018-2019 School Year

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Dear Future APUSH Student,

You have received this packet because you are enrolled in Advanced Placement United States History for the 2018-2019 school year. **APUSH** is designed to provide you with the analytic skills and factual knowledge necessary to deal critically with the problems and materials in U.S. History. It prepares you for intermediate and advanced college courses by making demands upon you equivalent to those made by full-year introductory college courses. Students in this class can expect a rigorous workload, and there will be an expectation of original thought.

To be successful you must be an independent learner. Please join our class website on [Schoolology.com](https://www.schoolology.com) to download assignments, receive updates or receive communication with me over summer and during the school year. Please use group access code: **R3626-FJWBN** to join.

This packet contains **four** handouts you must complete prior to the first day of class. Download them on Schoolology. There will be a test on the 50 States and the first chapter within the first two weeks of school. Should you have any questions about the assignments, contact me at: kgooding@dadeschools.net or through [Schoolology.com](https://www.schoolology.com).

Ms. K. Gooding, APUSH Instructor

Summer Assignment Checklist

Directions for each assignment are included in this packet. All work should be completed and be ready to submit on the first day of school. A test will be given on the 50 States and Chapter 1 within the first two weeks of the beginning of the school year. You should not only complete them but study it as well.

The following work is due on the first day of class:

- Join the APUSH class website at [Schoolology.com](https://www.schoolology.com)
- Purchase AMSCO book (downloadable version available on Schoolology for summer assignment)
- Complete Chapter 1 & 2 AMSCO Worksheet
- Complete 50 States Map
- Complete Presidents of the United States
- Student/Parent Signature on AP Contract
- Class Materials: 3-ring binder with 4 dividers (sorry no sharing with other classes), lots and lots of 3x5 notecards (for vocabulary) pens/ pencils, box of paperclips

APUSH Summer Assignments

ASSIGNMENT #1: JOIN SCHOOLGY (Code: **R3626-FJWBN**)

Throughout the year, I will post assignments and announcements related to our class on **Schoolgy.com**. I would like for you to visit this page frequently to keep up with the topics we are covering in the classroom. If you have any questions pertaining to assignments at any time, feel free to message me on Schoolgy at any time. (My responses are usually very short and to the point so please do not take offense to it.) **Also, please download the app on your phone to receive notifications.** Take the time to familiarize yourself with Schoolgy and how it works. I will begin posting the week before school starts. (Use a password that can be remembered as well as real names for your username—no nicknames please!)

ASSIGNMENT #2: BUY AMSCO/Read Chapter 1-2 and Complete AMSCO Worksheet #1 & 2

I urge you to purchase your own copy of AMSCO's *United States History Preparing for the Advanced Placement Examination 2015* (or later version), a book that we will use extensively over the course of the year, **as soon as possible**. It is required for this course. You can order it from www.amscopub.com for \$18.95 or can be found for purchase on Amazon and eBay. **Also, I have a downloadable version on Schoolgy that can be used for the summer assignment.** Students from last year may also be willing to sell you their copy during the first week of classes. If you'd like to buy one from a former student, please contact me via email or Schoolgy.com and I will set it up for you when school begins in the Fall.

ASSIGNMENT #3: UNITED STATES GEOGRAPHY

- **Using the US map provided in this packet, label and color per the following directions.** Familiarize yourself with the name and location of all fifty states. They will serve as resources for you over the course of the school year. Use colored pencils to color each state. There will be a U.S. Geography test during the first week of school. On your test, you will be given a blank political map of the United States. You will need to fill in the 50 states, without a word bank, spelled correctly. You will need to identify where Washington, DC is.
- **DIRECTIONS:** Use an atlas or online resource to complete the map by using following information:
 - A. Label all 50 states AND Washington D.C. Please print in black ink. **DO NOT ABBREVIATE!**
 - B. **Color each state a different color from those bordering it.**
 - C. Label and Color Mexico and Canada **BROWN**
 - D. Label the following with a black pen (**Color Light Blue**)
 - a. **Bodies of Water:** Atlantic Ocean, Pacific Ocean, Gulf of Mexico, Mississippi River, Hudson River

ASSIGNMENT #4: PRESIDENTS OF THE UNITED STATES

Knowledge of the Presidents of the United States is **EXTREMELY** important for this class and knowing them from the start will assist you greatly. Complete the attached handout using the PowerPoint posted on **Schoolgy.com**. Follow the directions on the handout. A test will be given on the information at various times during the school year.

ASSIGNMENT #5: AP CONTRACT

Read, fill out information, sign and return the attached contract.

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Student Contract 2018-2019

I understand that by signing this contract, I am dedicating myself to the rigorous academic adventure known as AP U.S. History. I know that the exam in May 2019 is mandatory and that preparing for it is the primary motive for taking the class. By signing this contract, I pledge myself to the herculean effort that is required to tackle the vast amount of reading, writing, and analyzing necessary for success on the AP U.S. History exam.

I acknowledge the receipt of the summer assignment packet and am fully aware that I will receive multiple zeros if I fail to submit my summer assignments on the first day of classes of the 2018-2019 school year. Additionally, I am aware that a test will be given within the first two weeks of classes covering the material in the summer packet. Finally, by signing this contract, I am committed to attending study/tutoring sessions afterschool/during lunch (your choice) and up to scheduled Saturdays between March and May with sufficient prior notification.

Student Name (Print) _____

Student Signature _____

Student Email Address _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Parent/Guardian Signature of approval _____

Parent/Guardian Contact Number _____

Please return and submit to Ms. Gooding in Room U245 by Monday, August 20, 2018