ST. JOSEPH'S ACADEMY

AP/ACP AMERICAN HISTORY

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ASSIGNMENT 1: PERSONAL HISTORY

Write a personal history. Using your life experiences, describe who you are. There is no right or wrong way to do this; what you include is up to you. (500 words minimum, 650 words max)

How you will be graded:

a) Organization: are your ideas clear? Have you taken time to revise and edit to make it sound the best it can be?
b) Analysis: Do you analyze your own past? Do you explore your own identity? Do you take your ideas to a deeper level (rather than just a shallow/simple timeline or simple ideas)?
c) Grammar/spelling: Do you show you made a conscious effort to do your best work, making sure you have minimal grammatical and spelling errors?
d) Word length: Do you stay within the required length?

I will use this:

- To learn a little about you
- Gain insight into your current writing abilities

Please bring a hard copy to class on the first day.

ASSIGNMENT 2: UNIT 1 READING

Read and take notes on *The American Yawp, Ch. 1 and Ch. 2, pg. 28-31.* (I recommend printing it)

The questions found at this link will help you pick up on important information. (I recommend printing them as well)

You will have a short answer quiz on the first day of class (10 pts) about the reading. The quiz will ask you to apply information.