

**AP Macroeconomic Summer Assignment  
2026-2027 School Year  
Dreher High School**

Welcome! If you have chosen to take this course, you are likely interested in the study of macroeconomics, or you just want the college credit. This course will promote a new way of thinking about your own choices - in, and out, of economics. You will be able to see the positive and negative result of every choice you make. This is known as opportunity cost! Requirements for the summer assignment are below. You will be presenting these at the start of the year!

**“My Summer Economy” Scrapbook**

Create a physical or digital scrapbook documenting **10** economic moments from your summer. The photos must be **YOUR OWN**, not something you found on the internet.

Each slide/page includes:

- A photo/screenshot/ticket/receipt/memory
- The economic concept
- A short explanation
- A personal reflection

<p>Example prompts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● “Something that got more expensive”</li><li>● “A place that was hiring”</li><li>● “Something imported”</li></ul>	<p>Example economic concepts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Inflation</li><li>● Consumer Spending</li><li>● Unemployment</li><li>● Globalization</li><li>● Trade</li><li>● Opportunity Cost</li></ul>
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In your scrapbook, you will also include a **one week** spending tracker. You can include a pie chart or categorized list. At the end of the week, write (or type) a brief summary answering the following:

- Needs vs wants
- Which spending they would cut during inflation/recession
- Which purchases reflect consumer confidence

The final page(s) of your scrapbook is your “Economics Wrapped” (Like Spotify Wrapped, but for your summer economy). Include the following:

- Biggest purchase
- Most overpriced item
- Best value purchase
- “Most inflation-coded” moment
- Most unnecessary purchase
- Most globalized product they bought
- Funniest economic observation

Email [isabella.cox@richlandone.org](mailto:isabella.cox@richlandone.org) if you have any questions about the assignment. Have a great summer and see you in August!

- Isabella Cox, AP Macro Teacher