

AP US History

Summer Assignment 2026-2027

Communication/Information

- **Teacher Email:**
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- **Rationale:** Welcome to APUSH! This is a fun, interesting, and challenging course. In AP US History we will be studying the development of the United States from Native American Societies to the present. We will have to do so in a relatively detailed manner that will require a faster pace and some self-directed work. Your summer assignment is designed to assist our ability to complete the course in the time we have together. At some point during the summer you are asked to review Periods 1 and 2 of the AP US History Curriculum as well as the structure of the AP Exam.
- **Timeline:** This assignment should take about 8-12 hours to complete. That timing can easily be spread over a week or two depending on time management. Please be sure to enjoy your summer!!

Materials and Expectations

- **Chapter Readings** are linked below...however you will need a copy of the AMSCO review book for the course. You may either use the [provided PDF copy](#), or you may choose to purchase your own physical copy.
- **Materials: AMSCO AP US History Textbook**
 - Available for purchase [on Amazon](#)
 - Please search the [Perfection Learning Website](#) if you cannot find it on Amazon or if it is too pricey! You can get the electronic version and hard copy for \$25!
 - **Suggested:** It is recommended that you get an AP review book such as the [Princeton Review](#) or [Barron's Review](#).
- **Due Date:** Summer assignments and all components are **due Wednesday, August 12, 2025.**
- **Reading Check:** Part of your Summer Assignment grade will be a Reading Check (assessment) on the assigned Period 1 & 2 readings AND on the structure of the AP Exam.
This assessment will be open-note. You will ONLY be permitted to use hard copy, hand-written notes from your readings and/or the printed and completed graphic organizers.
The Reading Check will be given Wednesday, August 12, 2025.
- **NOTES:** Notes must be done individually and in your own words, and MUST be hand-written. You will submit your notes in person on Wednesday, August 12.

Chapter Readings:

****You must be logged into your CCSD Account to access the links for the assignments provided****

	AMSCO Reading	Organizers
Period 1: 1491-1607	<input type="checkbox"/> Read all of Period 1 (pg. 1-27)	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete the Period 1 organizer provided
Period 2: 1607-1754	<input type="checkbox"/> Read part of Period 2 : Topics 2.1 & 2.2 (pg. 32-36)	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete the Period 1 & 2 organizer provided

AP US History Exam Information

- [College Board Exam Description](#)
- [Presentation](#)

Summer Assignment Checklist

- Notes - Period 1 and Period 2** (Topics 2.1 & 2.2) Readings (these must be hand-written in order to be used on the open-note assessment)
- Completed Graphic Organizers** (these must be printed and completed by hand in order to be used on the open-note assessment)
- Review College Board Exam Description and Presentation** (any notes you want to use on the open-note assessment must be hand-written)