May 2019

Dear AP United States History Student,

Welcome to the Advanced Placement United States History class! To prepare for the 2019-2020 class this fall, please complete sections I, II, III, and IV prior to the first day of school (August 19, 2019). Section V should be completed prior to Friday, August 23, 2019.

The class textbooks and handouts listed below are available at the McGowan Guidance Office. Make sure you pick up a copy of the Brinkley textbook, the After the Fact book (softcover) and a manila folder (containing the assignments). Please note that the Brinkley textbook is available online as well, but the After the Fact book is not.

I. Sign up for the online textbook using the directions found in your folder after picking it up at the guidance office (also found online – see directions below). You will need to use the following student registration code when prompted – R64Z-XGJH-GFSS-0ADV-TTLT (try first) or 0TJH-A6SZ-TVXG-SFTD-G4RL (try second). (Note – You will not be able to sign up for the online textbook until June 1, 2019.)

II. Read Chapters 1-3 within the “American History: Connecting with the Past” textbook by Brinkley. Also read the Prologue entitled “The Strange Death of Silas Deane” found within the “After the Fact” textbook.

III. Completion of chapter outlines (Chapters 1-3) – After completing the reading in Section II above, you may want to view the PowerPoint outlines (see directions below to access online at the district website) before you complete the outlines or use them to review the information. The chapter outlines will be graded!

IV. Complete the three separate online assignments found on the textbook website’s main class page (Period #1 & #2 – AP US History (2019-20)). These are graded assignments! They are based off of each chapter’s readings. They must be completed by August 18, 2019 or you will be locked out.
   a. Chapter 01: Full Chapter
   b. Chapter 02: Full Chapter
   c. Chapter 03: Full Chapter

V. Thirteen Colonies – The Development Begins. This will require each of you to generate/create a graphic organizer, chart or pamphlet on an assigned colony. IF YOU WILL NOT BE RETURNING TO CHS IN THE FALL, PLEASE NOTIFY ME IMMEDIATELY SO YOUR COLONY CAN BE REASSIGNED!

ASSIGNED COLONY: (SEE THIS INDENTICAL SHEET INSIDE THE FOLDER FOR YOUR COLONY)

We will spend the entire first week of school reviewing the colonial period, utilizing the above assignments, in preparation for the first Unit Exam the second week of school. The better prepared the above items are the more likely you will be able to contribute to the discussion in class.

I look forward to meeting and working with you during the 2019-2020 school year. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me in person in the McGowan building before the end of school, or by e-mailing me at wagnerk@carlisleschools.org or (717) 756-7522 (cell) anytime during the summer months.

Sincerely,
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P.S. All of the documents listed above will also be made available for downloading at the school district’s website, www.carlisleschools.org, clicking on “Academics” then “Summer Programs” then “Summer AP U.S. History Reading.”