

Dear Students,

I am thrilled that you chose to challenge yourself by enrolling in AP World History! Over the course of the next school year, we will analyze the story of humanity from about 1200 C.E. up until the present day. Our exploration of the journey of mankind begins with the Summer Assignment. Some parts of this assignment review concepts and content that you learned in your sixth-grade social studies class. The strategies you will be asked to use throughout this assignment, however, are designed to help you think about those concepts on a much deeper level. The **purpose of the assignment**, therefore, is to emphasize the requisite skills and depth of knowledge for students to ensure that all students begin the year prepared for the challenges of this course.

The summer assignment is divided into seven sections. The entire assignment is **due on Wednesday, September 4, 2024**, though you may submit each section individually as you complete it. The assignment is posted on the materials page of the AP World History Summer 2024 course in Schoology. Students who registered for the AP World History course in the spring of 2024 have already been added to the Schoology course. Students may submit completed sections of the assignment electronically through Schoology OR download, print, and submit hardcopies in class on Wednesday, September 4. The assignment will be graded as a supportive assessment. A minor assessment will be given in class mid-late September based on this material.

I fully understand how anxious many of you are beginning your high school career and taking your very first Advanced Placement course. While the work will be challenging, it is not impossible. For the past four years, every student that signed up for the course not only survived, but many scored well above the national average on the AP examination. My ultimate goal is to not only make this an exciting journey, but to help each and every one of you earn the highest score possible on the AP exam. You can always reach me via email, by text (by signing up for Remind – see instructions posted in Schoology), or through the “Summer Chat” I created in Schoology. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any concerns or questions.

Warmest Regards,

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P.S. Please do not wait to work on your summer assignments until the last night of summer!