Students enrolled in AP U.S. History should complete a summer assignment to help prepare for the course. Please understand that the course is taught very similar to a freshman level college survey course. The reading, writing and analytical demands placed on students in this course are substantial. We will move through the content fairly quickly during the school year (especially at the beginning), therefore it is crucial that you are properly prepared before class begins. However, there is no required summer assignment. It is recommended that students complete the assignment for Period 1.

Period 1: 1491 - 1607
It would be extremely beneficial for students to have a foundational knowledge of Period 1 (1491 – 1607) before class begins in the August. Period 1 of the AP US History course outline focuses on the period from 1491 (a generic designation for the Americas pre-contact) to 1607 (the establishment of the Jamestown Colony) as described by key concepts 1.1 and 1.2.

Recommended Summer Assignment

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Period 2: 1607 - 1754
Period 2 will cover the years 1607 - 1754 and chapters 2 - 6 in our textbook. We will move very rapidly through this time period at the beginning of the year. We will have reading quizzes on the chapter due dates. Getting a head start would be extremely beneficial.

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PERIODS 1 AND 2 TEST (Chapters 1 - 6): September 13, 2019