

Welcome, and instructions for taking notes

Summer reading for APUSH, 2021-2022

Welcome to APUSH, we look forward to meeting you IN PERSON on Aug 11th.

For the summer reading assignment, you will need to obtain the class textbook from the library: *America's History*

You will take notes on **chapter one and two**, using the attached Cornell Note sheet. When complete, you should have 3-4 pages of notes per chapter, with a chapter summary for each.

Notes must be handwritten: Typed notes will not be accepted.

Also attached, are instructions for taking Cornell Notes. You are highly advised to read this before beginning work.

This assignment is due on the first day of class (Aug 11th). There will be a Canvas assignment posted 1-2 days before school starts for you to upload this assignment.

Instructions for notes: print and use the attached worksheet

1 Notes must be handwritten, typed notes are not allowed!

2 Taking Cornell notes: Must complete the left column, right column & summary

Left column: Single word key idea, vocab

Right column: bullet notes that support the left column

Summary: Complete sentences- ~1 paragraph

3 Write down **only** the most important information- don't rewrite the book.

4 For right column: Not complete sentences! Bullets only. Abbreviate words. Use symbols. Use "text" language. Save perfect grammar, beautiful pose for essay writing.

5 Always record dates & important people. Dates matter on the test!

6 Look for information that relates to major focus Q & big idea (front of each chapter).

7 Check out the vocab at the back of the chapter before reading. Know what to look for.

8 If you don't understand a word- google it. If you gloss over words you don't understand it will detract from your broader understanding of the passage.

