

APUSH 2025-26 School Year

You have enrolled in **AP U.S. History**; here is a brief overview of what to expect, including your summer assignments. Please sign one copy of this sheet and return it to Mrs. Maffei room 312 no later than June 6, 2026. **If you do not return the contract you will be withdrawn from this class.**

Geography

Be prepared to test on the major cities, rivers, and bodies of water in the U.S. on the first full week of school. Top ten of each will be sufficient

Summer Reading

1) *1776* by David McCullough

Complete the book and then, after June 20, email Mrs. Maffei at maffeis@slshs.org for the questions.

They will be due by June 26, 2026

2) *Battle Cry for Freedom* by James McPherson

Complete the book and then, after July 3, email Mrs. Maffei at maffeis@slshs.org for the questions.

They will be due by July 10, 2026.

3) *Uncle Tom's Cabin* by Harriet Beecher Stowe

Complete the book and then, after July 24, email Mrs. Maffei at maffeis@slshs.org for the questions.

They will be due July 31, 2026.

4) *The Jungle* by Upton Sinclair

Complete the book and then, after August 8th, email Mrs. Maffei at maffeis@slshs.org for the questions.

They will be due the first full day of school, August 24, 2026.

It is your responsibility to complete all assignments.

If you fail to do the summer assignments, you will be dropped from the class. No exceptions.

During the school year:

Two Weekly AP Chapter Quizzes

American Pageant series online text. Each chapter is approximately 25-30 pages of college level reading/comprehension. Quizzes are anywhere between 15-30 questions. Expect at least two chapters per week, even over breaks.

Study Guides

Each chapter has a study guide to complete, approximately 10-20 questions each.

DBQ/SAQ/LEQ

Writing essays using the APUSH format is required. Group essays as well as individual essays are counted as part of your grade.

College Board Assignments

You are required to do assignments from the College Board APUSH website. These are done at home and turned in through the website for a grade. There are 9 Progress Checks, one per Unit.

Grading

This is a college preparatory class. Because this is an AP course, you should maintain a C or better to continue with the class. All assignments are due on time. If you do not complete an assignment, it may be turned in the following day for partial credit. **Projects and papers should be submitted the day they are due, even if you are not present. If you are absent, it is your responsibility to get assignments and notes from a reliable classmate and complete missed work within the amount of time you were out. Weekly agendas are posted and kept up to date; emails asking what you've missed will not be answered.**

Student Signature

Student Email:

Parent Signature:

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