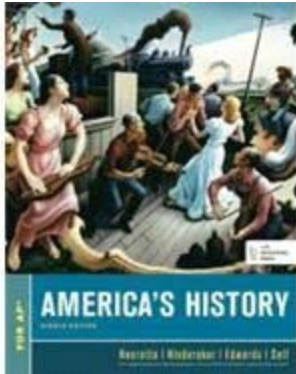


AP US History
Mercy High School
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Hello students, and welcome to AP US History! This is probably one of the most content dense courses that you will take here at Mercy High School, so you will have some summer assignments. Complete the following BEFORE the first day of class in August:

1. Purchase your book and read Chapters 1 through 3.



Henretta et al. America's History for the AP Course (8th edition) ISBN-13: 978-1-4576-7382-5
(Buy or rent eBook for year on Vital Source for \$55.00 to \$99.00 depending on method)

2. Review the following concepts and vocabulary (all of this is 8th grade social studies, and it's pretty easy to just Google these matters if you don't remember). YOU WILL BE QUIZZED ON THIS STUFF, SO KNOW IT!

- a. Be able to name and identify the 7 continents and 5 oceans (including Southern Ocean) on a map.
- b. Be able to name and identify the 50 states on a map.
- c. Be able to name the 13 original colonies that would eventually become the United States.
- d. Be able to know and identify the following on a map:
 - i. Mississippi River
 - ii. Missouri River
 - iii. Appalachian Mountains
 - iv. Rocky Mountains
 - v. Sierra Nevada Mountains
 - vi. Chesapeake Bay
 - vii. The Great Lakes
 - viii. Gulf of Mexico
 - ix. Washington DC
- e. Know and be able to briefly explain the overall functions of the three branches of government.
- f. You should know all of the Presidents, their years of office, and their political parties...but we're also all humans, not wikipedia pages. So, I want you to review the Presidents, but for now really focus on these 21 (know their years in office and political affiliation): George Washington, John Adams, Thomas

Jefferson, James Madison, Andrew Jackson, Abraham Lincoln, Ulysses S. Grant, Theodore Roosevelt, Woodrow Wilson, Calvin Coolidge, Franklin D Roosevelt, Harry Truman, Dwight Eisenhower, John F Kennedy, Lyndon Johnson, Richard Nixon, Ronald Reagan, Bill Clinton, George W. Bush, Barack Obama, and of course, Donald Trump.

g. Know the difference between “urban” and “rural.”

h. Know the definition of the following:

1. Republic
2. Democracy
3. Oligarchy
4. Aristocracy
5. Tyrant
6. Absolute Monarchy
7. Limited Monarchy
8. Natural Rights
9. Judicial Review
10. Bicameral
11. Checks and Balances
12. Isthmus
13. Strait
14. Peninsula
15. Equator and Tropics

If you have any questions, please let Mr. Taylor know (rtaylor@mercy-high.org)! Have a good summer, students.