

AP United States History Application AND Essay

PRINT, COMPLETE, and TURN IN all components of this application process **NO LATER THAN 2:30PM March 5, 2021**, to Mr. Rich in Room 15-107.

PART 1: APPLICATION

Name: _____

McKeel Email Address: _____

Parent Email/Phone: _____

Current Social Studies Teacher: _____

Current Social Studies Grade: _____

Do you have a computer and internet access daily? _____ yes _____ no

Would you consider yourself a strong writer and reader? _____ yes _____ no

Please **EXPLAIN** your answer:

AP courses are very demanding and rigorous. DAILY time dedicated to reading, taking notes, and/or studying will need to take place. Are you willing and able to devote 1-2 hours each day outside of school to be successful in this course? _____ yes _____ no

By taking an AP course, you are required to take the AP US History exam in May of 2022. Are you willing to do all that you can in order to be successful on this exam? _____ yes _____ no

In addition to taking the AP US History exam in May; you will also be required to sit for the Florida Standards Assessment (FSA) - End of Course Examination (EOC). The FSA EOC will compromise multiple choice questions with stimuli of US History topics from 1860 to the present. Lastly, students in their US History year at MAT will also participate in the Rock Around the Rock performance(s). Research time will be provided in class or on your own. Are you willing to do all that you can in order to be successful on these additional requirements? _____ yes _____ no

Are you planning on taking any other AP courses next year? _____ yes _____ no

If so, which courses? _____

Are you planning to be involved in extracurricular activities and/or sports next year?

_____ yes _____ no

If so, what extracurricular activities/sports?

As a student, by signing this application you agree to adhere to the above stated requirements if chosen for this course during the 2020-21 school year.

_____ Student
Signature Date

As a parent, by signing this application you agree to ensure that your student adheres to the above stated requirements if chosen for this course during the 2020-21 school year.

_____ Parent
Signature Date

SPECIAL NOTE: If chosen, every student will have mandatory summer assignments that must be completed as follows:

1. Unit 0 - The Fundamentals of taking an AP History course
2. The Native American Experience: analyze how different societies adapted to and transformed their environments through innovations in agriculture, resource use, and social structure.
3. US Presidents Research Assignment

There will be a quiz on the reading sometime during the first few days of class. Don't worry, just do the assignment.

PART 2: ESSAY

Please complete the following essay prompt (below/on back) using the directions below.

- Read the question carefully, conduct research, and write in paragraph form, complete sentences, proper grammar.
- Essay **MUST** be typed, double-spaced, 12 pt. Times New Roman font. print out & include w/application
- Sources used **MUST** be cited according to MLA standards and placed on a Works Cited page attached to the essay.
- Essay length should be no more than 2-3 pages of content and a page of the Works Cited..
- Be sure to include the following:
 - Opening paragraph: Background information / Hook and a thesis
 - 2 body paragraphs
 - Conclusion: writing a clear conclusion

Essay Prompt:

Describe the patterns of immigration in TWO of the periods listed below. Compare and contrast the responses of Americans to immigrants in these periods.

- 1820 to 1860
- 1880 to 1924
- 1965 to 2000

NOTE: Attach your essay to the application and return it to Mr. Rich on or before 2:30pm on the due date of March 5, 2021

Late submission of your application will exclude you from consideration for admission to the AP United States History class.

AP UNITED STATES HISTORY RECOMMENDATION

Teacher: please complete this form honestly and return to Mr. Rich. The student will NOT see this form or be advised as to what you have recommended. Also be aware that the final decision is made by Mr. Rich, who takes all recommendations into consideration.

Student's Name: _____

History Course: _____

Current grade: _____

Please consider the following characteristics of the candidate in making your recommendation:

- Commitment to intellectual pursuits
- Ability to deal with abstract concepts
- Self-expression in writing and speech
- Capacity for independent study
- Ability to accept and apply constructive criticism
- Exemplary attendance
- Overall dedication and commitment to academics
- Always exceeding expectations

Recommendation:

_____ Current grade in your class

_____ Highly recommended

_____ Recommended

_____ Recommended with reservation

_____ Not recommended

Comments _____

History Teacher's Signature _____