Welcome to the wonderful world of AP US History! I look forward to a great year filled with adventures. To get us ready to maximize our learning opportunities this coming year, I would like you to complete the following summer work.

Please sign up for and take the 6 hour zoom AP US History School "Complex Understanding" offered through the Gilder Lehrman Institute for American History. If you are unable to complete this assignment, see me for the alternate assignment **by Tuesday, May 21st.**

About the Course: This course will focus on "complex understanding" in AP US History (APUSH). It is a large part of the assessment, yet it is hard to describe and achieve. By focusing on nuance, effective use of evidence, and sophisticated argumentation, this course will help you apply your content knowledge to demonstrate complex understanding in the free-response section of the APUSH exam. The aim is for you to feel confident in the skills needed to excel on the APUSH exam. Here is a link and an overview:

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How to sign up: Click this link <u>History School | Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History</u> Create a free account. Then, you must register for the course. The deadline for registration is Friday, June 28th. The Cost is FREE.



Proof of completion: You will receive a certificate of completion that is due on Wednesday, August 14th.

The course begins on Tuesday, July 2, 2024

- Classes will be held once a week for six weeks.
- Class will not be held on Tuesday, August 6.
- Classes will begin at 5:00 p.m. ET
- Classes are 60 minutes in length on Zoom. They will

Week 1: Tuesday, July 2: Introduction to the AP US History Course and Exam

Week 2: Tuesday, July 9: Complex Understanding in AP US History

Week 3: Tuesday, July 16: To What Extent?: Understanding Cause and Effect

Week 4: Tuesday, July 23: Echoes Everywhere: Continuity and Change Over Time

Week 5: Tuesday, July 30: "The Unicorn Point": Option 1,

incorporate a combination of lectures, sample exam questions, and time for Q&As.

Sophisticated Argumentation

*No class on Tuesday, August 6th

Week 6: Tuesday, August 13: "The Unicorn Point": Option 2, Effective Use of Evidence