

KAP HISTORY  
2015 ~ 2016  
Edision High School  
Mrs. Davis  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> period

**Course Overview:**

Taught in collaboration with Kenyon University's history staff and other participating schools, the KAP course constitutes a survey of the history of the United States from its British colonial roots to the present. We will place particular emphasis on pre-Civil War history with a social context to contrast with your recent American History course. A major aim of this course is to help develop your capacity to work independently through reading, writing, and research projects. Instruction will include a variety of formats including informal lecture and open discussion. I expect you all to contribute in meaningful ways, and please understand that this will impact your quarter (thus semester) grades.

**Readings: These are 1<sup>st</sup> semester only. 2<sup>nd</sup> semester book list will be assigned in January**

American Pageant (13<sup>th</sup> Edition) by Kennedy, Cohen, & Bailey, 2006. ~ Provided by District

Supplemental Material for 1<sup>st</sup> Semester

Common Sense by Paine

A Brilliant Solution Carol Berkin

Chasing Lincoln's Killer by Swanson

Supplemental Material for 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester

Animal Farm by Orwell

Silent Spring by Carson

1984 by Orwell

**OR**  
Fahrenheit 451 by Bradbury

**Grades will be based upon:**

Periodic chapter & reading quizzes

Homework assignments

Research presentation (2<sup>nd</sup> quarter)

Class participation

Research Paper

Semester Exam

If you have questions or concerns please feel free to stop in before school, during my conference period which is 8<sup>th</sup>, or after school.

# AP HISTORY

## 1<sup>st</sup> Semester Syllabus

### American History 1400 - 1865

August 24 <sup>th</sup>	Portuguese and Spanish settlement in the New World AP ~ Chapter 1 Tenochtitlan study
August 31 <sup>st</sup>	English in the New World AP ~ Chapter 2 Fables of Roanoke
September 7 <sup>th</sup>	9/11 Video and discussion
September 14 <sup>th</sup>	Settling the Northern, Middle, and Southern Colonies AP ~ Chapters 3 , 4, & 5 (2 work days/3 presentation days)
September 21 <sup>st</sup>	France and England fight for North America AP ~ Chapter 6 Video
September 28 <sup>th</sup>	The Road to Revolution AP ~ Chapter 7 Common Sense excerpts by Thomas Paine
October 5 <sup>th</sup>	The Revolutionary War AP ~ Chapter 8 1776
October 12 <sup>th</sup>	Complete 1776
October 19 <sup>th</sup>	UNIT EXAM Framing a Constitution AP ~ Chapter 9 Founding Fathers debate

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October 26<sup>th</sup> Chapter 10 – 11 America 1789 ~ 1812  
War of 1812 Video

November 2<sup>nd</sup> The 2<sup>nd</sup> War for Independence  
AP ~ Chapter 12  
Election week

November 9<sup>th</sup> America 1824 – 1840  
AP ~ Chapter 13  
Introduction to 2<sup>nd</sup> semester project

November 16<sup>th</sup> A Nation on the move  
23<sup>rd</sup> AP ~ Chapters 14 & 15  
Partner presentations

November 30<sup>th</sup> The South & and the Spread of Slavery  
AP ~ Chapter 16

December 7<sup>th</sup> The Mexican American War  
AP ~ Chapter 17

December 14<sup>th</sup> Sectionalism and Disunity  
AP ~ Chapter 18 & 19

January 4<sup>th</sup> Civil War  
AP ~ Chapter 20

January 11<sup>th</sup> Civil War Chapter 21  
Chasing Lincoln's Killer

SEMESTER EXAM ~ JANUARY 13<sup>th</sup>

**2<sup>nd</sup> Semester Syllabus**  
**American History 1865 - 2000**

January 18 <sup>th</sup>	Reconstruction AP ~ Chapter 22
January 25 <sup>th</sup>	1865 – 1909 Forging an Industrial Society Chapters 23-27 Overview
February 1 <sup>st</sup>	Progressive Reforms Chapters 28 - 29
February 8 <sup>th</sup>	WWI through the 20's Chapters 30 - 32
February 15 <sup>th</sup>	The Great Depression Years Chapters 33 - 34
February 22 <sup>nd</sup>	World War II Chapter 35
February 29 <sup>th</sup>	World War II continued Chapter 35 Taught to Kill: An American Boy's War from the Ardennes to Berlin
March 7 <sup>th</sup>	Post War World Chapters 35 - 36
March 14 <sup>th</sup>	The Beginning of the Cold War Chapter 36 Animal Farm

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March 29 <sup>th</sup>	1950's Flourish ~ Chapter 37
April 4 <sup>th</sup>	The Stormy American Sixties Chapter 38
April 11 <sup>th</sup>	The Stormy American Sixties continued Chapter 38 Silent Spring by Carson
April 18 <sup>th</sup>	The 1970's and Stagnation Chapter 39
April 25 <sup>th</sup>	The 1980's & Conservatism Chapter 40
May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Post Cold-War Years Chapter 41
May 9 <sup>th</sup>	Post Cold-War Years continued Chapter 41
May 16 <sup>th</sup>	The American People turn the corner into a new century Chapter 42
May 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Semester Exam then presentations
May 30 <sup>th</sup>	Presentations