

# AP UNITED STATES HISTORY

## 2026-2027 Textbook & Resources

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### 2026–2027 AP United States History Students,

Welcome to APUSH! This year, both **Mr. Doug Liscio** and **Mrs. Melissa Jones** will be teaching the **AP United States History course!** We are both excited for the year ahead and look forward to working with Harrison APUSH students find success in both the APUSH course and the APUSH Exam in May 2027.

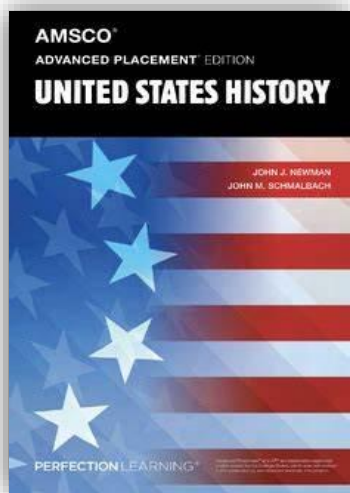
Students enrolled in the **Fall 2026 semester** should sign up for **Mr. Liscio's Remind messaging** (see information below). This will allow you to contact Mr. Liscio over the summer and/or the start of the school year with any questions about the APUSH course. Remind messaging will also serve as a key communication tool throughout the **Fall 2026 semester** for Mr. Liscio's classes. Mrs. Jones' students will be able to sign up for Remind messaging at the beginning of the **Fall 2026 semester**.

**There are no assigned pre-course reading nor pre-course assignments for either the Fall 2026 or Spring 2027 classes.** However, students are expected to obtain the **Amsco AP United States History textbook** and ***Presidential Courage*** book by the first day of school, as reading assignments will begin immediately (see details below).

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### APUSH Course Textbook

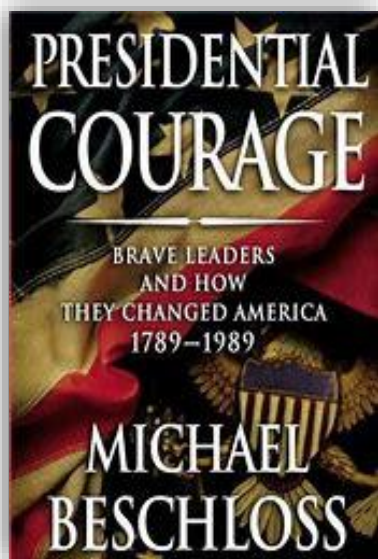
*United States History: Preparing for the Advanced Placement Examination* (**FOURTH edition, 2022-2025**) by John M. Schmalbach and John J. Newman.



Acquire a paperback copy of *United States History: Preparing for the Advanced Placement Examination* by Amsco Publishing (new or used) by the first day of FALL Semester. The textbook can be purchased on various websites and should be from versions dated 2022-2024. The Amsco book will be used by students as the primary textbook for the APUSH class. Expect assigned readings throughout the semester as well as individual quizzes (and group) assessments from the readings to make sure students are mastering the historic content.

## APUSH “Outside Reading” Book

*Presidential Courage* (2007) by Michael Beschloss.



Acquire a paperback copy of *Presidential Courage* (new or used) by the beginning of the **2026 FALL Semester**. We will refer to this book as the “Outside” reading text as students will be reading assigned chapters throughout the semester. Students will complete individual (and group) assessments throughout the semester.

## Student Organization & Supplies

Students are encouraged to maintain an **AP United States History Notebook** to stay organized throughout the semester (an organized student Notebook should be brought to class daily). Students are responsible for purchasing and bringing their own supplies to class.

Here are the supplies (including the Notebook) that you will need to acquire this semester:

1. We strongly suggest acquiring a **2-inch notebook** to help organize material.
2. In addition, students should acquire a **monthly calendar** to better manage assignments, assessment dates (quizzes and tests), collaborative projects, etc.
3. **Supplies** should include notebook paper, **navy blue, black, red, and green** ink pens which will be used to complete discussion notes and in-class assessments. Students should also acquire **No. 2 pencils** for completing the multiple-choice portion of the tests.
4. The **Amsco textbook** should be brought daily for reading, researching terms, and completing individual and/or collaborative assignments.
5. *Presidential Courage* should be brought to class (on assigned days).

### Remind Messaging (FALL 2026 – Sign Up Code – Mr. Liscio’s Classes)

On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web browser and go to the following link: [rmd.at/ a3eh9cg](https://rmd.at/a3eh9cg). Follow the instructions to sign up for Mr. Liscio’s Remind. You will be prompted to download the mobile app. If you do not have a smartphone, you can still get text notifications. Text the message @ a3eh9cg to the number 81010. If you are having trouble with 81010, try texting @ a3eh9cg to (415) 799-2512.

Thank you and I look forward to a great **2026-2027 school year!** Again, please feel free to reach out to Mr. Liscio via email (or Remind messaging) over the summer with any questions that you have about the APUSH course and/or the resources needed for the class!

Sincerely,

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