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RESEARCH PAPER GUIDELINES

AP UNITED STATES
HISTORY

GENERAL GUIDELINES

TOPIC: To be chosen by posting to the AP United States History group on Edmodo

DUE DATE: Your research papers are due by *8:18 a.m. on Wednesday, November 30, 2011* (to your history teacher – hard copy and via Edmodo).

LENGTH: 5-7 pages of text (typed, double-spaced using Times New Roman, 12-point font)

COURSE REQUIREMENT: The research paper is a requirement for both AP United States History and English 303/302. *Failure to complete this requirement will result in a failing grade for both courses.*

SOURCES: Your paper should cite at least six sources, and each of those should be listed on the Works Cited page. Only two of the six sources can be websites; however, you may use as many articles from databases as you desire. *One primary source is required if you are in AP United States History.*

GRADING: Your research paper will be graded by both instructors. You will receive one score for the content and one score for grammar, format, style, and documentation. These scores will be averaged together, and you will receive the same grade for both classes. The research paper counts approximately one-quarter of your second quarter grade in AP United States History.

LATE PENALTY: The grade on your final paper will be lowered by one-letter grade for *each research element* that is not submitted on time. Your final paper will also be lowered by *one-letter grade* for each day it is late. Any paper submitted *after 8:18 a.m. on the due dates* will be considered late. No paper will be accepted for credit after *Friday, December 2, 2011*. *Absence from school is not an excuse for missing any deadlines! If you are absent, send your paper or assignment to school through a parent or friend!*

DUE DATES

- Topic (to your history teacher via Edmodo) Friday, September 23
- Thesis Statement (to your history teacher via Edmodo) Thursday, October 6
- Working Bibliography (to your English teacher) Friday, October 14
- 20 note cards (to your English teacher) Wednesday, October 26
- 20 note cards (to your English teacher) Wednesday, November 2
- Preliminary outline (to your history teacher via Edmodo)..... Wednesday, November 9
- Introduction (to your English teacher) Tuesday, November 22
- Final Paper (to your history teacher – hard copy and via Edmodo)..... Wednesday, November 30