



Summer 2012

This is just a quick note to offer an early welcome to the AP United States history course that will be held at Woodward Academy from July 16-19. I am looking forward to working with you, and I hope that the week will provide a good start for your AP course in the fall.

There are a few things that you will need to bring with you so that the work you do will be tailored to the course you will be teaching. Please try to bring with you to Woodward copies of the textbook and supplementary materials you plan to use in the fall. If you still have to choose a text, don't worry as we will have lots of sample books available for you to examine during the week. The other item you will need is a copy of your school calendar for next year. All school systems should have calendars in place by the end of this school year, and they are usually available for teachers who are attending this sort of seminar. If they weren't distributed at the close of school, it would be worth a call to your principal or supervisor to see if you can get a copy before coming to Woodward. We are going to try to use the week to work out a specific syllabus for each participant, and you will need to know when your system has scheduled holidays and workdays.

I will be at the AP US History Reading in Louisville from May 26 until June 7 so I will have all the copies of the grading standards for this year's test to go over during our workshop. We'll spend part of our week together going over how these papers are graded and talking about test-taking strategies. I'll be available after June 7 for any last minute concerns. Please feel free to call me at home or send me an email if you have any questions about what we will be doing or what you will need. We will get underway at about 8:00 a.m. on Monday, July 16, as we will allow a little time for people to check in. See you at Woodward!

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