

Advanced Placement United States History 2008-2009 Student Application

Applicant's Name: _____ I. D. # _____

Instructions:

Print out and complete ALL parts of this application and return it to Mr. Schaefer in room 508 by Friday, April 4.

Academic Prerequisites: You may not have received a grade lower than a B- in any high school Social Studies OR English class and must be in good academic standing. However, spots are limited and competitively filled. Please list the instructor and the grade that you earned for each course below. (*List current grade for courses not yet complete. *Admission is contingent upon maintaining a minimum grade of B- in each course even after initial acceptance.*) Grades will be verified in the counseling center.

<u>Course</u>	<u>Honors/AP?</u>	<u>Instructor</u>	<u>Grade Earned</u>
World History A			
World History B			*
English 9 Fall			
English 9 Spring			
English 10 Fall			
English 10 Spring			*

*current grade

Teacher Recommendations: The teachers listed above will be given evaluation forms by Mr. Schaefer. **DO NOT** print recommendation forms for them. OHS AP policy gives you the right to decide whether these evaluations are confidential or non-confidential. Please indicate below whether or not you want to be able to have future access to your teacher recommendations. By selecting "confidential," teachers will complete the form with the understanding that you and/or your legal guardians will not have access to them. There may or may not be a benefit to either a confidential or non-confidential recommendation.

Please check one and sign below

Confidential Teacher Recommendations

Non-confidential Teacher Recommendations

Applicant's Signature

Legal Guardian's Signature

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PART B: Written Free-Response:

Instructions: Read the following perspective on the study of history. In your own handwriting and own words, interpret and analyze the meaning and objectives of the historian/author's message. To what extent do you agree or disagree with this viewpoint?

Source: Howard Zinn's *A People's History of the United States 1492 – Present* (1999)

My viewpoint in telling the history of the United States is different: that we must not accept the memory of states as our own. Nations are not communities and never have been. The history of any country, presented as the history of a family, conceals fierce conflicts of interest (sometimes exploding, most often repressed) between conquerors and conquered, masters and slaves, capitalists and workers, dominators and dominated in race and sex. And in such a world of conflict, a world of victims and executioners, it is the job of thinking people, as Albert Camus suggested, not to be on the side of the executioners. p. 10

Please support your answer and limit your response to the space provided on the following two pages.

Free-Response:

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