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Dear Students and Parents,

Welcome to the Advanced Placement United States History program at Mt. Anthony Union High School. The program is designed for highly motivated students who are interested in pursuing an in-depth study of our nation's history. Please be aware that students who are registered for the AP US History class are expected to take the Advanced Placement exam in May 2007. The course is structured accordingly.

The decision to take this course is a serious commitment, and students are expected to spend a significant amount of time in preparation for class discussions and exams. In general, expect three to five reading and/writing assignments per week; plan on at least three hours to complete them. Students must also take responsibility for mastering much of the material on their own. Given the vast amount of content to cover we simply cannot touch on everything during class time. Critical writing, analysis, and evaluation of relevant historical issues will also be stressed.

Grading will be based on a point system. Tests will be worth one hundred points, quizzes fifty points, and homework either ten or twenty points depending on the assignment.

I look forward to working with you over the course of the year! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at kingraham@svsu.org, or through the school at 447-7511.

Thanks,

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