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Thanks for signing up for AP European History for the 2018-19 school year. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of your textbook and summer assignment.

**Textbook:**

Donald Kagan, et. al. The Western Heritage. 11<sup>th</sup> Edition, Revised (2016).

☐ ISBN-10: 0134050223

☐ ISBN-13: 9780134050225

The easiest way to purchase the textbook and other materials stated below is through former AP European History students. A list of students willing to sell their textbook and other materials for a reasonable price (everything around \$100 or less) is posted in S105. Students may stop by any time to get the list.

Books may also be purchased online. The textbook is currently available for anywhere between \$40 to \$85 in used shape on Amazon (as of May 15).

If you are on free and reduced lunch and cannot afford a textbook, please see Mr. Hudson in s105 ASAP.

**Please also purchase:**

Richard M. Wunderli. Peasant Fires: The Drummer of Niklashausen.

☐ ISBN-10: 0253367255, 0253207517

Used copies of this book are available for as cheap as 5 dollars shipped on Amazon as of May 15.

Dennis Sherman. Western Civilization: Sources, Images, Interpretations from the Renaissance to the Present. 7<sup>th</sup> Edition (2006)

☐ ISBN-10: 0073513245

☐ ISBN-13: 978-0073513249

- Used copies available for around 15-20 dollars shipped. I would strongly suggest purchasing used, as the Sherman book is an older edition chosen to save money on the purchase. The Sherman book also comes as 2 volumes (ISBN-13: 978-0073284750, ISBN-13: 978-0073284743). Please purchase the 1 volume copy though (if available). Used copies are available for around 10 dollars shipped per book. I would suggest shopping around for the cheapest available copy on Amazon if you can't purchase from a student.

I strongly suggest purchasing your textbook before the semester ends. Buying a textbook, whether online or in person, is always cheaper at the beginning of summer rather than the end, when supplies are low.

**Your summer assignment is on the next page.**

## **SUMMER ASSIGNMENT (DUE THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL):**

### **Assignment #1:**

Skim the introduction to the textbook. Read the opening chapter of the Kagan textbook and take notes using a normal outline format that you have been taught in previous classes at BCHS or in middle school. Outline should be handwritten.

### **Assignment #2.**

Read the Wunderli book (as well as use your textbook and any other resource) and answer the following question in a typed, properly formatted (Times New Roman 12 pt font, double spaced) **2-3 page essay**.

**- What was daily life like for the average person in 15<sup>th</sup> century Germany? Consider aspects of life such as marriage, gender relations, children, travel, work, culture, education, diet, etc. Also consider what dreams or goals the average person had and the challenges faced by those people. Use specific examples (quotes, paraphrasing) from both your textbook and the Wunderli book.**

- You should construct your answer as you would for a normal essay written for a social studies or English class (i.e., include a thesis, organize properly, citations, formal academic writing, etc.)

- Use specific information from both the textbook and Wunderli book.

- Please use parenthetical notation to cite any quotes or paraphrase from the book or our textbook.

If you have any questions over the summer please e-mail me at [theodore.hudson@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:theodore.hudson@jeffco.k12.co.us).

Thanks!

Mr. Hudson