Pre-AP World History and Geography Summer Assignment

Dear Pre-AP World History and Geography student and parent(s):

First, we would like to welcome you to MCHS and to the honors social studies track. Your exciting journey will begin with Pre-AP World History and Geography, which will lead you to courses your sophomore year such as AP World History: Modern and Human Geography.

In this course we will be covering 12 chapters from our textbook, Ways of the World by Robert W. Strayer. It will be divided into three main parts: 1. Antiquity to 500 BCE Paleolithic Eras, Agricultural Revolution and the First Civilizations. 2. 500 BCE to 500 CE explores the major civilizations of Eurasia, China, India, Persia, Mediterranean, Sub-Saharan Africa, and the Americas. 3. 500-1500 CE commercial networks, Chinese, Islamic, Christian worlds and the Mongols. This course will also contain a unit introducing AP level geography skills preparing students for their future AP courses.

The purpose of this course is to introduce you to historical content, develop inquiry and analysis skill, as well as, teach you how to respond to various historical prompts using specific historical thinking skills. The work we do this year is designed to prepare you for AP World History or AP Human Geography next.

This challenging and rewarding journey will begin with the 2019 summer assignment. This will serve as an introduction to the course by taking a close look at the textbooks introduction, prologue, and chapter 1. You will be introduced to many of the historical thinking skills that are necessary for success in the Social Studies honors program as well as critical reading skills to help you as you complete required readings for the course.

If you have any questions or need assistance with the assignment please email Mrs. Szwed, Mrs. Richardson, or Mr. Williamson: kszwed@mchs.net, srichardson@mchs.net, cwilliamson@mchs.net

We look forward to meeting you in the fall,

Mrs. Szwed Mrs. Richardson Mr. Williamson

How do I get my assignment?

Using your assigned MCHS email account (you@mchs.net) you will join the Pre-AP World History and Geography summer assignment Google Classroom page. Instructions for how to sign up for Google Classroom are on the back side of this page.

How to Sign Up for Google Classroom

1. Login to your mchs.net email account and password at "mail.google.com"

If this is your first time logging in to your MCHS email account, your email address is your first initial, your last name, followed by the year you will be graduating.

Example John Doe is in the class of 2023. His email would be <u>jdoe23@mchs.net</u>. Your password for your first login is you MCHS student ID number. Your student ID number is located on your schedule

You will be asked to change your email when you first login. Make sure it is a secure password that you will remember.

IF YOU ARE HAVING AN ISSUE WITH YOUR MCHS.NET EMAIL AND PASSWORD, please contact the MCHS Tech Office for any help with that matter.

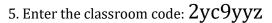
Please email **JIM KELLY** at **IKELLY@MCHS.NET** for any help in regards to your MCHS email.

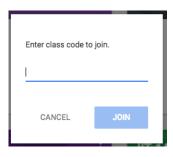
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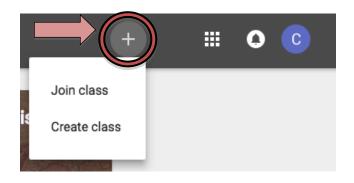




- 3. Scroll until you see the Google Classroom icon and click to enter.
- 4. Click on the "+" symbol to join the class







6. You should now be signed up for your Pre-AP World History and Geography summer assignment!

Remember, any issues relating to your MCHS email account should be discussed with Jim Kelly (<u>jkelly@mchs.net</u>)