

## Welcome to AP EUROPEAN HISTORY!

Many familiar faces and some new ones will be entering room 204 next year, and I am thrilled that you have made the choice to do so. AP Euro will cover over six-hundred years of history and will be taught similarly to a freshman college course with the goal of not only preparing you for the national exam in the Spring, but also with the goal of preparing you for future academic endeavors at the university level. In order to hit the ground running, it is required that students complete multiple assignments over the summer break (see bottom of email for details). I look forward to meeting with you and I am excited for the 2021-22 school year.

See you soon,

Mr. Higgins

### Summer Assignments

1. Read and take notes on chapter two of the textbook (pages 59 - 95; "The Western Heritage Since 1300"). Notes on this chapter will be due on the Google Classroom on 9/6 and will be worth 25 points. Notes should detail major events, key individuals, and important terminology. A 25 question multiple choice assessment on chapter two's content will take place TBA and will be worth 75 points.
2. Read Machiavelli's "The Prince" in preparation for a class seminar on 9/13. Come to the seminar ready to defend your stance on this question: "did Machiavelli give good advice to rulers, or not?". You will earn points based on creativity, participation, and professionalism. Full participation credit will earn you 25 points.
3. Study and learn the modern map of Europe by following this link (<https://online.seterra.com/en/vgp/3007?c=CL4P6>). A timed map quiz will be given on 9/14 during which you will have to correctly identify 44 European nations in eight minutes without the assistance of a word bank - spelling will count. This quiz will be worth 45 points. It is paramount that you have an expert-level understanding of the modern map of Europe, that way you can better understand the evolution of the continent as the curriculum unfolds.