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Dear Student,

Welcome to 2019-2020 Advanced Placement United States History!

Our study this year will encompass the foundations of American political philosophy from Colonial America to present day history through the examination of key people and events. A sense of humor and strong work ethic are required tools in my classroom.

In order to be prepared to start our course in August, I recommend students to read Chapters 2 through 5 of their textbook, *The American Pageant 15th Edition*, and complete the chapter study guides. Because textbooks are not available until after school begins, I have made available a revised edition of those chapters on the CHS website. To get to the .pdf copies of these chapters you will need to go to the CHS homepage, then click on the “Summer Assignments” button located on the drop down menu of the “Academics” tab. You are also welcome to look up the information on the internet to find the answers to the questions, but I would warn you that using the textbook provides important context for understanding the material.

If you have any questions and need to reach me over the summer, my email address is bcheney@conroeisd.net.

My goal every year is to create an environment where students can build the skills necessary to be successful in college courses while also preparing students to be successful on their AP exams. My challenge to each of you is to make that commitment to yourself and to this class. Maybe you want to improve or maintain your GPA, to score well on the AP Test and earn college credit, or to pursue an emotional link to some aspect of history. Whatever it is, let it be your focus and motivation to do your best.

I look forward to a great school year!

Mr. Ben Cheney
Chapter 2 Study Guide

1. What two developments in England in the 1500’s caused English people to be willing to join new colonies in America?

2. What is a joint-stock company? How were they used to colonize the new world?

3. What were some early problems for the Jamestown colony?

4. What was the background of Lord De La Warr and how did this affect his leadership of Jamestown? What were the results of this?

5. What were some ways in which Indian life in the New World was changed or disrupted by European colonization?

6. Describe the purpose(s), economics, and the colonists of the Virginia colony. What was their government called and why is it important?
7. Describe the purpose(s), economics, and the colonists of the Maryland colony. What did the Act of Toleration do and what were its results?

8. Describe the purpose(s), economics, and the colonists of the West Indies. What was the nature of the Barbados Slave Code?

9. Describe the purpose(s), economics, and the colonists of the Carolina colonies. Why did African slavery take hold there early on?

10. What led to the split between North and South Carolina? How were the two colonies different from one another? What did North Carolina have in common with Rhode Island?

11. Describe the purpose(s), economics, and the colonists of the Georgia colony. What was it like in the beginning? How did it change and why?

Chapter 3 Study Guide

1. What was Calvinism and what were its characteristics?
2. Who were the Puritans? Why were they increasingly unhappy with England? What did they believe? Who were the separatists?

3. Describe the purpose(s), economics, and the colonists of the Plymouth colony. What did they lack that other colonies had? What was the Mayflower Compact? What is its significance?

4. Describe the purpose(s), economics, and the colonists of the Massachusetts Bay Colony. What was the Great Migration? How did they differ from the Plymouth colony?

5. What was the government of the Massachusetts Bay Colony like? In what ways was it democratic and what ways was it not? What was the role of religion in the government?

6. What did Anne Hutchinson claim that got her into trouble? What is antinomianism? What happened with Anne Hutchinson?

7. What did Roger Williams claim that got him into trouble? What happened to him? What colony did he found? What was it like?
8. Describe the founding and characteristics of the Hartford and New Haven colonies that eventually became Connecticut. What were the Fundamental Orders (of Connecticut) and what is their significance?

9. What bad fortune for the local Indians made life easier for the Pilgrims? How did the Pilgrims and the Indians interact with each other? What was the end result of their interaction?

10. What was the New England Confederation? What events in England allowed for its creation? What happened to it in the end?

11. What was the Dominion of New England? What were its two purposes?

12. What were the Navigation Laws? What was their purpose? How did the American colonists feel about them?

13. What was the Glorious Revolution? What was it also known as? How did it affect the colonies? Define "salutary neglect."
14. Describe the New Amsterdam colony. Define "patroonships." What eventually happened to colony?

15. Describe the Quakers. Describe the Pennsylvania colony. How was it different from the other colonies you've learned about?

16. What were the characteristics of the middle colonies? What colonies were included in this region?

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**Chapter 4 Study Guide**

1. What were the characteristics of the Chesapeake colonies? What sort of people mostly lived there? Why?

2. Define "indentured servants." Define "headright system."

3. What were the causes of Bacon's Rebellion? What happened? What was a very big, long-term effect of the rebellion?
4. What factors led to the adoption of African slavery in the English colonies?

5. Define each of the following: "Royal African Company," "middle passage," and "slave codes."

6. What were the different characteristics of slave life in the different colonial regions? What happened in the New York slave revolt and the South Carolina slave revolt?

7. Describe southern society during this time.

8. Describe family life in New England during this time.

9. How and why was life different for women in the South than in New England?

10. Describe life in New England towns. How did the nature of the Congregational Church affect politics in New England?
11. What were the "jeremiad" and the "Half-Way Covenant?" What was their purpose?

12. What were the causes of the Salem Witch Trials? What actually happened?

13. In what ways did physical geography and climate affect New England?

Chapter 5 Study Guide

1. What were the different ethnic groups in the colonies in the 18th century and what were their characteristics?

2. Define each: "Paxton Boys" and "Regulator movement."

3. Describe the "triangular trade."
4. Describe each of the religious denominations in the colonies at this time.

5. What was "Arminianism" and how was it a threat to Calvinism? What were the causes and effects of the Great Awakening? Who were the "old lights" and the "new lights?"

6. What happened in the Zenger trial? What was its significance?

7. How were the colonial legislatures/assemblies chosen in the different types of colonies? Who chose the governors? How did the assemblies exert their authority and independence?