

May 11, 2021

Dear Students and Parents:

I hope this note finds you and yours healthy and well.

Students registered for AP U.S. History at Tampa Prep will need to **read the first four chapters of the textbook**, *An Unfinished Nation: A Concise History of the American People*, 8th edition (by Alan Brinkley) prior to the first day of classes.

Students are required to purchase an electronic or hard copy of the text, which may be found here:

https://www.amazon.com/Unfinished-Nation-Concise-History-American/dp/0073513334/ref=sr_1_1?crid=2DND0RR6GXF0Q&dchild=1&keywords=the+unfinished+nation+8th+edition+alan+brinkley&qid=1597935484&sprefix=the+unfinished%2Caps%2C186&sr=8-1

Students, please know that there will be an assessment when you get back to school, so read and study for comprehension and detail. **Students are required to take detailed notes** on the readings. Please bring these notes the first day of class. They will be checked.

Note taking at a college level is a skill that all students need to learn in order to be successful in this class. Please see the link below for recommended note taking styles:

<https://lptutoring.com/take-notes-textbook-right-way/>

Have a safe and enlightening summer! Please contact us with any questions.

Sincerely,

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