

## AP PSYCHOLOGY NO SUMMER ASSIGNMENT

Students will be expected to show understanding of the full range of foundational topics in the field of psychology – from research methods and early history, to the biological basis for behavior, to cognitive, developmental and abnormal psychology, to the processes of sensation/perception, and finally to specific studies in memory, intelligence, personality, language and therapy.

To be successful, AP Psychology students must be able to keep up with assigned reading, to take notes independently on the key understandings from both textbook and independent sources, and to then be able to apply the content to real-world situations, accurately using the terminology and concepts learned to support your position (in both free-response test questions and during independent research). You will be expected to read a half a chapter a night in the textbook, with quizzes on the readings each day, and every third day we will have a major test.

I have high expectations for this class and demand students who are willing to put in the required effort necessary to succeed. My goal is for every student enrolled in the class to pass the AP Exam in May and earn college credit. That requires dedication, enthusiasm, and hard work on both our parts. I will do my job and I expect you to do yours.