

AP MACROECONOMICS SUMMER REQUIREMENT

Economics is a course in which you will be required to do levels of thinking that you have not done before. The summer assignment will get you in the right frame of mind for the course you are about to enter.

For your assignment, you are going to keep a record of major economic events. You are required to do **6 current events assignments** relating to economic stories that take place over the summer. The assignments may cover any measure of economic activity. This means the actions or events may take place locally, nationally or internationally. You are to use an article in any newspaper or magazine that is appropriate for this assignment. You may also use internet sources. Please remember that this is not about politics, it is about economics and so your articles must cover current events that deal with economic issues. **Do not attach the article to the assignment!**

You must cite the title, author, date and publication source at the top of each written assignment, prior to beginning your summary. Each assignment citation must clearly indicate the date the article was printed and you must have a range of dates for your articles. Doing this assignment over the course of a week or two weeks is not acceptable. Due to vacations and summer plans you may double up once or twice but this assignment **should include articles from July and August.** Please note the sample heading for each assignment below:

Name: AP Macroeconomics
Date: Mr. Paduano

Current Events Assignment #1

Citation: Title of Article. Author of Article. Publication. Date published.

For each one, you are to write a one or two paragraph summary of the article and then a two paragraph response to the issue. Your two-paragraph response should include your reaction to the article. This means your thoughts, feelings etc. Feel free to forecast about what the issue may mean in the future and write about effects it may have in other areas of the economy. The idea for this assignment is to get you to think so please make sure that your reactions are involved and engaging. **Assignments that do not have the required citation, summary and two paragraph response will receive zero credit.** These assignments are to typed, double-spaced, 12 font, and margins set at one inch on all four sides. Errors in spelling, grammar or simple rules of writing will cause your work to receive a lower grade. Any student who commits plagiarism will receive a zero and risk being removed from the course. Any questions can be sent to apaduano@mtplcsd.org and I will respond as quickly as possible. Please make sure that emails contain your full name. **This assignment is due on the 2nd day of class.**