

AP Economics

Summer 2018

Congratulations!

You have decided to compete against the smartest kids in the world. You have all accepted the challenge, and I promise that I take your commitment very seriously. As the year progresses, I will be asking you for feedback on how to adjust the course so that we can maximize your learning.

This summer, you will be reading the first three chapters (pp. 3-60) in the textbook, ***Mankiw, Principles of Economics—6th edition***. You may skip the graphing appendix for Chapter 2. I strongly suggest that you read the remainder twice – the first time to take notes and the second time to focus on deeper reading. During the first month of school, you will be taking quizzes and exams based on the reading. Your notes should be good enough that you can get a 90% on your quizzes with the notes and also carry on a strong class room conversation.

A) For the summer assignment, you must take notes (pp.3-60), which may be used on your first test during the first week of school. So, you may complete this over the summer, or during the first week of school.

Your textbook can be found (new) on the textbook list at a cost of approximately \$300.

6th edition ISBN# 053-845-3052

B) I would like you to watch this video about mindset and then answer the following questions:

<http://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=carol+dweck+mindset&FORM=HDRSC3#view=detail&mid=0DB8542E849CFDBA73880DB8542E849CFDBA7388>

1. What would you rather have - a challenging class that might impact your grade negatively, or an easy-A class? Explain.
2. What is the difference between growth mindset and fixed mindset?
3. Why do you think that I had you watch this video?

Please email me the answers to the video questions by Aug. 26.

If you have any problems, please feel free to contact me at englarr@maryvale.com.

I look forward to working with you this year. In the meantime, I hope you have a “profitable” summer!

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