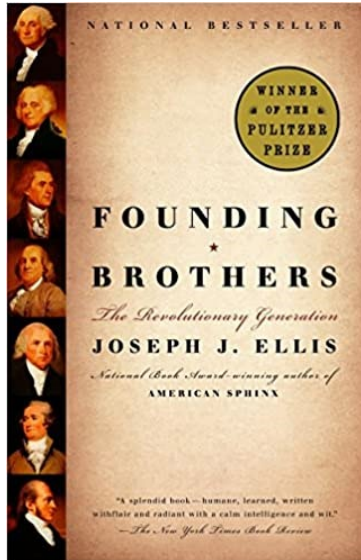


Honors United States History I

Summer, 2022 Reading Assignment

Founding Brothers: The Revolutionary Generation by Joseph J. Ellis



In order to prepare incoming sophomores for Honors United States History I, all students are required to read *Founding Brothers: The Revolutionary Generation* by Joseph J. Ellis over the summer. This book examines how the lives and relationships of eight individuals (George Washington, John Adams, Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin, James Madison, Alexander Hamilton and Aaron Burr) impacted the formation and trajectory of the young United States. Many copies of this book are available through the Bergen County Cooperative Library System (BCCLS).

Early in the school year, students will complete an in-class writing assignment relating to a major theme of the book. To prepare for this assignment, students are encouraged to take notes on the key ideas presented in the text. Students will be allowed to use these notes when completing the writing assignment in the fall.