## AP Euro: Tom Richey & Chris Freiler "Hangout" Notes on Exam Prep

AP Achiever is a recommended review guide... it follows the CONCEPT OUTLINE (which is in the front of textbook and tells one WHAT to study)

When studying know the core facts but FOCUS ON THE THEMES

When writing a DBQ or LEQ the THESIS IS YOUR MOST IMPORTANT ASPECT AS IT "SETS THE TABLE" FOR EVERYTHING YOU WILL SAY / PROVE...

THE THESIS MUST MAKE A VALID, RELEVANT AND PROVABLE **CLAIM <u>AND</u> INCLUDE THE REASONING**BEHIND IT... (DO THE TASK AND SAY **WHY / HOW... USE "BY" AND "BECAUSE"**)... IT MUST BE
INFORMATIVE BY LETTING THE READER KNOW WHAT YOU INTEND TO PROVE... A GREAT ONE WILL ALSO
MENTION POTENTIAL COUNTER-CLAIMS... AVOID "VALUE" WORDS SUCH AS "greatly", "some", etc.

EVIDENCE must be presented to **PROVE YOUR ARGUMENT**... **ADDRESS THE COUNTERCLAIM** AND DISPROVE IT OR RELEGATE IT TO A "LESS THAN" POSITION...

DOCUMENT EVIDENCE USING "HIPPO" OR ANOTHER TECHNIQUE TO COVER THE DISCUSSION POINTS (author, purpose, context, POV), LINK DOCUMENTS TOGETHER, RECOGNIZE AND MENTION HOW A DOCUMENT COULD "CUT BOTH WAYS"... NO "DRIVE BY" OR "SHOPPING LIST" USE OF EVIDENCE, DISCUSS IT IN DEPTH

LED EVIDENCE HAS 2 POINTS AVAILABLE: "PROVIDE" = ONE WELL THOUGHT OUT SENTENCE = 1 POINT; TO GET POINT 2 YOU MUST HAVE 3 MORE SENTENCES CONNECTING YOUR EVIDENCE TO YOUR THESIS REASONING...

EXAM NOTES: **THE DBQ WILL NOT BE ON ANY TOPIC THAT OCCURRED BEFORE 1600**; 1 OF THE 3 LEQ CHOICES WILL BE PRE-1600, **BULK OF EXAM IS PERIODS 2 & 3 (ESPECIALLY THE WRITING)!!!** 

THEREFORE, RENAISSANCE ART / LITERATURE, REFORMATION & COUNTER-REFORMATION, EARLY DISCOVERY & CONQUEST, TUDOR ENGLAND, FRENCH WARS OF RELIGION WILL ONLY BE ON MULTIPLE CHOICE PART, CYCLING THROUGH OR BE AN OPTION OF THE LEQ (NEVER ON A DBQ)