



# AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

## School Calendar – WV2 Campus

September 14, 2018

*Check the website calendar for all practices, rehearsals, and clubs @ <http://westvalley2.americanprep.org/>*

*Check the Facebook page for fun information @ <https://www.facebook.com/americanprepWV2>*

Monday, September 17	JH Volleyball vs. Dual Immersion 4:30/5:30pm
Monday, September 17	JH Soccer @Spectrum 4:30pm
<b>Tuesday, September 18</b>	<b>Spirit Wear Day</b>
Tuesday, September 18	HS Baseball vs. Wasatch Academy 4pm
Tuesday, September 18	HS Volleyball vs. Wasatch Academy 5:45pm/7pm
Tuesday, September 18	JH Cross Country vs. DIA/ICS/Mont. 4:30pm
Wednesday, September 19	JH Soccer vs. Monticello 4:30pm
Wednesday, September 19	JH Volleyball vs Spectrum 4:30pm/5:30pm
Wednesday, September 19	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Leaders for Life 1pm-3:45pm
Thursday, September 20	SGL Tailgate 2:10pm-3:30pm
Thursday, September 20	JH Cross Country ICS/DIA 4:30pm
Thursday, September 20	HS Volleyball vs. Merit 5:45pm/7pm
Friday, September 21	HS Baseball @Merit 2pm/4pm
Friday, September 21	HS Cross Country vs. Salt Lake 2:30pm
<b>Friday, September 21</b>	<b>No School for Secondary Students –</b> Intervention PTCs Parent Teacher Conference by invitation or pre-scheduled

### ***Looking Ahead.....***

Monday, September 24	JH Volleyball @Maeser Prep 4:30pm/5:30pm
Monday, September 24	JH Soccer vs. Dual Immersion 3:45pm
Tuesday, September 25	K-3 Picture Day
Tuesday, September 25	HS Volleyball @Rowland Hall 5:45pm/7pm
Tuesday, September 25	HS Baseball vs. APA Draper 4pm
Wednesday, September 26	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Barn Event 10am-2:30pm
Wednesday, September 26	Sistema Carnival 2:30pm-4:30pm
Thursday, September 27	4-6 Picture Day
Thursday, September 27	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade FRIENDship Event 12:40pm-3:10pm
Thurs.-Sat. Sept. 27-29	Shakespeare Competition

Monday, October 1	4-6 Grade Field Trips
Tuesday, October 2	Parent Night (Preventing Substance Abuse) 6pm



Thursday, October 4	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade FRIENDship Event 12:40pm-3:10pm
Friday, October 5	Spirit Wear Day (4-12 grades)
Friday, October 5	1-3 Field Trips
Tuesday, October 9	FAFSA Completion Open House 5:30pm-7:30pm

## **Hello American Prep Families,**

### **Our Builder Theme for the month is “I Am A Builder When I Show Enthusiasm!”**

It’s been a great week at American Prep! Our students and teachers are the embodiment of our Builders Theme – Building with enthusiasm. Thank you to our great parents who are also enthusiastically supporting your children, assisting them to complete their homework, ensuring they are prepared for school each day!

You may wonder why enthusiasm is so important to us at American Prep – well, in our Parent Student Handbook you will find the following is one of our Foundations:

“Enthusiasm: Enthusiasm propels one on to greater effort. Enthusiasm makes work enjoyable and provides encouragement for others to put forth increased effort. It is the responsibility of every member of the American Prep community to bring enthusiasm to their work and to their associations at school.”

So you can see, we understand that enthusiasm is a key component to our success as a school, and more importantly the success of your student! We commit as staff members to bring enthusiasm to our work each day with your students, because we know it will result in higher effort being put forth by your child, and greater success! We appreciate so much our parents who also bring enthusiasm to us in our interactions and help us put forth our best efforts!

### **School Phone Number**

**385-351-3090** Press 1 for elementary office Press 2 for Junior High office Press 3 for High School office

### **\*Carpool Reminder\***

We appreciate everyone driving safely through the parking lot and neighborhoods as you bring your children to and from school. The carpool reminder of the week:

**When exiting the parking lot onto 3600 West you must turn RIGHT each time you leave the campus.**

One of our staff members witnessed many cars attempted to turn left this week and watched as an accident almost occurred, because people were not following this safety rule. Please turn RIGHT each time you exit the parking lot onto 3600 West. Thank you!

### **Electronic Free School Nights**

American Prep recommends that families adopt a “no TV, no Video games” policy Monday through Thursday.



There has been lots of research showing that it is not good for students to watch television and play video games on a daily basis. Lack of physical exercise is resulting in obesity in epidemic proportions in our country, even in our children. We encourage our families to provide opportunities for their students to exercise through play and study during the weekday evenings.

### **Substitutes Needed**

Want to learn more about American Prep, our curriculum and methods? Want to be involved at the school and get paid at the same time? Come be a substitute for us! If you are serious about becoming a Substitute, please email Cathie Adamson <[cadamson@apamail.org](mailto:cadamson@apamail.org)>.

### **Healthy Home, Healthy Students, Healthy School**

The cold and flu season is upon us. Usually colds and flu, however uncomfortable they make us, are minor illnesses. But sometimes, serious complications can occur that may result in hospitalization.

The good news is that many of these common illnesses can be prevented with the right precautions. Please help us keep your students healthy by encouraging them to wash their hands frequently, not touch their face, and to not share drinks or food from their dishes with anyone. Here at the school, we are doing our best to keep surfaces disinfected and encourage you to do the same.

If students have a fever, throw up, or are constantly coughing we ask that you keep them home. We ask that a student be fever free for at least 24 hours before coming to school.

### **School Lunch News**

School lunch is being served! Our amazing school lunch team is working hard to make improvements and adjustments, thank you for your patience! If you have feedback, questions, or concerns, you can email [lunch@apamail.org](mailto:lunch@apamail.org).

If you have not had a chance to complete the Free/Reduced lunch application, we invite ALL families to do so! It helps as our school seeks funding for the many programs that we provide here at APA. You can find the link here: <https://www.americanprep.org/school-lunch-program/>. You can also request a paper application from a lunch worker at the school.

Online ordering for October will be available on September 20th.

### **Deliveries for Students**

Please do not order Uber Eats, Jimmy Johns or from any other delivery place for your student. We are unable to sign for student deliveries, and we will not call your student out of class for the delivery. This interrupts the academic day and oftentimes these deliveries are not arriving during student lunch hours. We will refuse all food delivery orders for all elementary and secondary students going forward.



## **Elementary News**

### **K-6 Grading System**

ALMA is the online grading system that is used for Elementary. [www.apa-wv2.getalama.com](http://www.apa-wv2.getalama.com)  
Each parent who has provided an email account to the school, will have access to their students grades. This online grading system allows the parents to check their student's grades, missing assignments, and see academic progress. The student's grades need to be checked at least once a week with all questions and concerns can be addressed with the homeroom teacher. Returning families can use their same log in and password from last year. Transfer students will also be sent an invite as our website. New families to APA, will be sent an invite through their personal email account. The invite will show the username and will take you through the steps to reset your password. If there are any questions or concerns, please come into the front elementary office, and a staff member will help you.

### **Fresh Fruits & Vegetables Program K-6**

Grab your passports and come join us on an exciting journey this year to Fresh Fruit & Veggie Land. Discover with us a variety of free fresh fruits and veggies that will be served to students each week at school. Students will be introduced to new and different fruits and veggies along with nutrition education. We hope that this journey of discovery will show students that fresh fruits and veggies are healthy and tasty alternatives to snacks that are high in fat, sugar, or salt.

Encourage your children to be "food explorers" this year at APA by tasting the fruits and veggies that they may never have heard about before. Talk with your children about what they learned about the fruit and what it tasted like. We hope to make a difference in all our students' diets to impact their present and future health.

### **Elementary Drop Off Table**

What do you do when your student forgets lunch or an assignment and needs you to drop something off for them? We now have a "Drop Off" table in the Elementary lobby at the main entrance. We do everything we can to avoid interrupting classes. Just let your student know that you will drop the item off at the table with their name on it and they can stop by between classes or during lunch to pick it up. We do not deliver to classrooms and will not interrupt academic minutes to allow you to deliver to the classroom either. This table is also used for dropping off lunches. We prefer you order school lunch for your student or implement a system which ensures the lunch is in the backpack each morning, however we understand there may be rare occasions when a lunch is forgotten. The table may be utilized for these rare occasions. Thank you for your understanding. Please let us know if you need assistance in ordering school lunches. We are happy to assist!

### **5th Grade FriendSHIP Ambassador Event**

Welcome Aboard the APA FriendSHIP 5<sup>th</sup> grade students! Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup> we will have our first Ambassador Event of the year. During this event, students will travel from station to station learning important skills about being a true friend. Activities will include a challenging obstacle course, food, friends, and so much



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more! This event will go from 12:40 p.m. – 3:10 p.m. on Thursday September 27<sup>th</sup> so mark your calendar because you don't want to miss this! **We are always looking for parent volunteers! If you are willing, please contact Ms. Nash at [mnash@apamail.org](mailto:mnash@apamail.org) or 385.351.3090 ext. 1234.**

## **Sistema Notes**

We have had a busy last week! Our older Sistema Strings students from the Advanced Orchestra at WV2 performed side-by-side with the Utah Philharmonic Orchestra and Mike Stickland on Friday. It was an amazing night of music and fun! Sistema Strings did a WONDERFUL job performing last Saturday for the Utah Live workshop along with some of our WV2 violin friends as well. That evening the older students performed with the Utah Philharmonic Orchestra West Jordan Orchestra as they performed movie music with Dr. Temme who made it fun by changing into different costumes for each song. There was much laughter and fun at that concert!

This Friday, September 14th, Sistema Strings will be performing the National Anthem for the University of Utah Women's Volleyball Game at the Jon M. Huntsman Center at 7 p.m. We have free tickets available - please contact Mrs. Christensen for more information.

We have our Annual Sistema Carnival Fundraiser coming up on Wednesday, September 26th from 2:30-4:30 p.m. We will not have regular Sistema that day as it is the carnival. Everyone who would like to attend will need to purchase a \$10 wristband that is an all- inclusive activity pass. We will also be selling concessions at the fundraiser - please send the students with extra money that day. This event is open to the entire school as well as other members of your family. Anyone who is not enrolled in Sistema and would like to attend the event will need to be accompanied by an adult. We also need some volunteers to help make this event successful. Stop by the Sistema front desk to sign up or email Mrs. Christensen [tchristensen@apamail.org](mailto:tchristensen@apamail.org) We will have bounce houses, carnival games, face painting, balloon animals, carnival games and lots of fun!! Thank you for your support!

## **Secondary News**

### **Drop Off Table**

What do you do when your student forgets lunch or an assignment and needs you to drop something off for them? We have a "Drop Off" table in the Secondary Office at the secondary entrance. We do everything we can to avoid interrupting classes. Just let your student know that you will drop the item off in the office and they can stop by between classes or during lunch to pick it up. We do not deliver to classrooms. This table also includes dropping off lunches.

### **8th Grade WORK Party**

8th grade students and staff had a wonderful opportunity to provide service to our community this past Wednesday. We visited the Utah Cultural Celebration Center, the Taylorsville Cemetery and the Millcreek Confluence where we pulled weeds, planted trees and bushes, picked up garbage and made our community a little cleaner. Everyone did a great job working hard, even in the hot sun. Thank you to our amazing APA students and teachers for helping make a difference in our community!



### **12th Grade United Way Day**

Our seniors did an extraordinary job volunteering and showed us they know how to work hard on Thursday, September 13<sup>th</sup>. The diligent students traveled to Head Start schools around the valley and participate in the state-wide United Way Day of Caring. Students and staff worked side by side cleaning up playgrounds, washing windows, putting down bark chips, and assembled coloring packets. We were honored to be part of such a special volunteer experience!

### **7th Grade Leaders for Life**

On Wednesday September 19, our 7th grade students have their FIRST Ambassador event of the year. It's called Leaders for Life and it is from 12:47pm-3:00pm. Students will be learning about how to be a leader, how to make friends, how to escort a lady and other important life skills. If you'd like to volunteer for this event, please contact Ms. Nash at [MNash@apamail.org](mailto:MNash@apamail.org).

### **SGL Tailgate for 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Students**

Our Student Government Leaders have been hard at work planning their first Tailgate. This event will be on Thursday September 20 from 2:10-3:30 at the school. We will have food, dancing, performances, games and more. You can also buy an SGL Spirit Shirt for \$10. This event is for all 9th-12th grade students to raise school spirit and raise money for future SGL events.

### **Collegium Hall**

We would like to welcome all secondary students to come to Collegium Hall. Collegium Hall is a study hall that provides tutoring, supplies, snacks and activities for your students. Math teachers are available to tutor students in Collegium Hall.

Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays - 3:10-6:30 pm

Wednesdays & Thursdays - 2:10-5:30 pm