



AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

School Calendar – WV2 Campus

October 4, 2019

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>

Saturday, October 5	Attendance School 8am

Monday, October 7	4 th -6 th Grade Field Trips 4 th Grade: Bean Museum 5 th Grade: Camp Flloyd 6 th Grade: Stem Fest/Planetarium
Monday, October 7	JH Boys Soccer @Maeser 4:30pm
Monday, October 7	JH Girls Volleyball @Providence Hall 5:30pm
Tuesday, October 8	HS Volleyball vs. LCA 4:30/5:45pm
Tuesday, October 8	HS Baseball First Round TBD
Tuesday, October 8	Fall Secondary Choir Concert 7pm (small gym)
Wednesday, October 9	K-3 Picture Day
Wednesday, October 9	8 th Grade Barn BBQ 8am-11:30am
Thursday, October 10	4 th -6 th Grade Picture Day
Thursday, October 10	Advanced Arts Fall Preview 7pm
Friday, October 11	8 th Grade W.O.R.K. Party 12:30pm-3pm
Friday, October 11	HS Baseball Championship Ken Price Field TBD
Saturday, October 12	Attendance School 8am

Mon.-Fri. Oct. 14-Oct. 18 Fall Break No School

Monday, October 21	JH Boys Basketball Tryouts 3:30pm
Tuesday, October 22	8 th -12 th Grade College Visits
Wednesday, October 23	11 th Grade Overlook Hike 12:30pm-5pm
Wednesday, October 23	College Fair 12pm-3pm
Thursday, October 25	K-3 Field Trips

Tuesday, October 29	FAFSA Parent Night 6pm
Wednesday, October 30	8 th -11 th Grade PSAT
Wednesday, October 30	Senior Sunrise 6am-10am
Wednesday, October 30	All School Early Dismissal 12PM/12:15PM (Elem PTCs)
Thursday, October 31	All School Early Dismissal 12PM/12:15PM



Friday, November 1

No School - Professional Development all staff

Hello American Prep Families,

Our Builder Theme for the month of October is “I Am A Builder When I Am Perfectly Honest.”

We have wonderful students at American Prep who are willing and eager to work toward and demonstrate perfect honesty. We are having conversations regarding honesty with our students here at school, and are teaching and learning about this vitally important virtue. We hope you also are taking the opportunity to reflect upon honesty at home. Noticing when your child is honest and commending them is a powerful way to build honesty. Students need to develop a self-concept that includes “I am an honest person” and you can help by noticing when they are honest and saying those words – “I am so glad you strive to be an honest person”. In order to get our students to this point, they need to CLEARLY understand what honesty means, and see it demonstrated. They also need to be CONVINCED of the vital importance of honesty in their life, in their relationships, and in our world. Often children learn about the importance of honesty when they fail to be honest and experience the discomfort, embarrassment, and repercussions. It is important to allow them to live the consequences of their actions so they will be motivated to make a different choice next time. Childhood is the time for these lessons to be learned, when the stakes are low and the learning potential is high. We hope you will take some time this month to discuss this in your families and find examples that your children can relate to and understand. Thank you for your support!

September Builders of the Month – “I am a builder when I Show Enthusiasm”

Congratulations to the following students who were recognized in the Wednesday assemblies:

Kindergarten	1st Grade	2nd Grade	3rd Grade	4th Grade	5th Grade	6th Grade
Amaya Martinez	Kalee Egolf	Waylon Canick	Parker Callister	Anthony Rodriguez	Jesus Padilla	William Finch
Olivia Porcaro	Gisselle Ortiz	Jaidy Prieto	Valeria Oscanoa	Myla Lopez	Betty Smith	Dereck Quintana
Ethan Carpenter	Galilea Saavedra	Gwendolyn Perry	Abraham Unutoa	Natalia Manzanares	Ariane Reedy	Tafari Mochimaru
				Perla Gonzalez	Tracie Phung	Tousuf Safi

7th Grade	8th Grade	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
Elise Christenson	Leah Hancock	Prisca Amematsro	Beria Gonzalez	Lyz Trochez Rodriguez	Abby Pulley
Joseph Williams	Hayden Ludwig	Jesus Mendoza	Brandon Magana	Raymond Werth	Tony Ortega



Substitutes Needed

We are looking for APA parents to become substitute teachers for our schools! We have found that our amazing parents make the very best substitute teachers! They know the “APA way” and love our students, which are the two most important traits of a successful substitute teacher! We provide all training, and the pay is \$80-90 per day! This is a great time of year to become a substitute teacher - save up for those holiday plans in advance! We provide in-depth, paid training so you will feel comfortable in your duties. **APA is a FUN place to work! We’d love to have you on our team!** Maybe you can only commit to one day per week - that would be fine with us! Or work every day - whatever suits your schedule! We need substitute teachers every day and we would really appreciate your help. Also, please tell your family members and friends about this opportunity!

Order Elementary School Pictures

Elementary class and individual picture days will be held on Wednesday and Thursday of this upcoming week. You still have an opportunity to go online and order pictures at www.bellphoto.com. Go to www.bellphoto.com, click on the PREPAY link, enter the online code: apaw2es2019, follow the prompts to complete your order. Contact Bell Photographers with any questions at 801-479-4624. There are many packages to choose from as well as purchasing items a la carte! You may also use the order form sent home with your student and return on picture day with cash, check, or money order in the envelope provided on the order form.

Spirit Wear Days!

We’ve got SPIRIT, yes we do
We’ve got SPIRIT, how ‘bout you?

Did you know that the first Friday of each month students may wear spirit wear items? We also choose other days during the month as designated Spirit Days! Spirit wear is a fun way to show school pride and increase spirit at American Prep.

We have hoodies, t-shirts, baseball caps and baseball tees available for purchase in the office. You may purchase your spirit wear at the school or check out all our spirit wear options online:

<http://www.americanprep.org/product-category/spirit-wear/>

Veterans Assembly – Looking Ahead

One of our favorite traditions at American Prep is our Veterans Assembly. Each year we hold a very special assembly around Veterans Day to honor those who have served our country. *We hope all our families will invite their friends and family members who are veterans (anyone who has served in any branch of the military or armed forces at any time) to come to the assembly and be honored by our school.* Each guest will receive a special gift and we will have a special program to commemorate the day. The assembly will be held on **Monday, November 11th at 1PM** with a special reception for Veterans at 11:45am. Invitations will be sent home in elementary communication envelopes in a few weeks. If you only have secondary students attending APA, please have them stop by the office to pick up an invitation to give to a veteran.



This event is primarily for our students to be taught, through example and through their own participation, how to respect and honor our nation's veterans. We also want to show our gratitude to those who have served or are currently serving. Unfortunately, space is limited. Having the entire student body and our honored guests in attendance in the gymnasium meets our fire code capacity. Veterans are invited to bring two guests and will receive nametags confirming their admission. Please RSVP regarding a veteran's attendance to Ms. Wright (kwright@apamail.org) or Mrs. Hymas (jhymas@apamail.org) at the front office via email or phone at 385-351-3090.

Thanks for helping us make this a great event for our students and community!

6th Grade Ambassador Update

This week our 6th grade students were able to get their "CAPTAIN WINGS" at our new ambassador event "Taking Flight to New Heights" event! They were pilots in training and learned that they are the pilots for their own lives. Students were able to learn skills such as trying new things, finding ways to make good conversation, how to set goals, and learn how to be genuine and make friends. Thank you to our amazing parent volunteers that came as leaders! We could not run a successful program without you! For future volunteer opportunities, please contact Ms. Jackson at jjackson@apamail.org.

Halloween Costumes? Not At School! What a Treat!

A few parents have asked if they need to provide costumes for their students for later this month. Good news! The answer is "no." Most parents are relieved to know this. If you are one who has anticipated this celebration at prior schools and are disappointed at this news, let me explain. In our quest to remain focused on our mission of academic achievement and character development for every student, we guard our time resources very closely. VERY closely. We look at every activity and every program and evaluate it carefully on how effectively it helps us achieve these goals. Because of this, we typically do not celebrate holidays in the way that other schools traditionally do. Don't panic! This does not mean we don't have fun! We celebrate our students' learning with grade level celebrations that happen regularly as fun, culminating activities that go along with our units of study in history and science—but we do not use academic time for holiday parties or costume parades. Halloween isn't celebrated at school. Neither is Christmas. There are only a few holidays that celebrated or acknowledged during the school year. For more information on these, please refer to your Parent/Student handbook.

11th Grade Mighty Steps

This past Saturday, September 28, our 11th grade students had the opportunity to participate in Mighty Steps, an amazing event organized by The Utah Down Syndrome Foundation. This group of 23 students volunteered to spend their Saturday morning playing games, cheering on, and sharing laughs with the families that were registered to participate in the event. They showed great professionalism, kindness, and a strong sense of community collaboration. We were happy to be a part of such an amazing, rewarding experience!



8th Grade Barn Dance and BBQ

On October 9th, all 8th Grade students will participate in the Barn Dance and BBQ event, where they will learn essential skills such as listening during conversation, the importance of teamwork, and how having a positive attitude makes a big difference when the going gets rough! The event will take place at Lone Peak Pavilion, 10140 700 E, Sandy, UT 84070, from 8 am to 12pm.

Parents! We are looking for volunteers who would be available to chaperone at this event. If you are available to help for any amount of time, please contact Andrea Arango at aarango@apamail.com or call the Ambassador Office at 3853513090 ext. 1234.

* Note: Signed permission slips are required and must be turned in to 4th period teachers by Friday, October the 4th for full points. There will be no permission slips accepted the day of the event.

** This is a required event and will be included in students 4th period Ambassador Hour grade.

8th Grade Pre- W.O.R.K. Party (Rescheduled)

On Friday, October 11, all 8th Grade students will have the opportunity to provide community service at various locations in the area. The event will run from 12:30pm to 3:00pm. The goal of these projects will be to allow students to do physical, not so glamorous, work to help them realize that everyone has the responsibility to help out in their community. Hence the acronym W.O.R.K. which stands for Wonderful Opportunities to Render Kindness. Here APA not only teaches our students how to work hard, but also how to find opportunities to serve in their community.

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Parents! Volunteers are needed and welcome at this event! If you are available to help for any amount of time, please contact Andrea Arango at aarango@apamail.com or call the Ambassador Office at (385) 351-3090 Ext. 1234

*For any ambassador event, permission slips will not be accepted the day of the event. The student will lose points and need to have a parent pick them up

11th Grade Overlook Hike

On Wednesday, October 23rd, 2019 - 12:30 to 5:00pm. The 11th graders will be venturing off campus to the Salt Lake Overlook Hike. This hike will be located in Millcreek Canyon Road, Salt Lake City, UT 84124. This means it will be a late parent pick up. The Juniors will learn how to overcome obstacles and challenges through this trek. We will provide hot dogs and hot chocolate for the students after we come down from the trail. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to understand how obstacles in life can be used to become better, wiser and



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more experienced person. We often see the challenges and difficulties of life as a negative influence, but it can be used to become a better individual.

*Permission Slips will be due on Friday, October 11th.

School Apparel

We are a few weeks into school and some of our wonderful parents still don't know where to find us. We have pictures and a list of all available inventory on our online store. Visit www.americanprep.org/store to look at all available spirit wear and uniform items.

DID YOU KNOW WE NOW OFFER UNIFORM PANTS? They are new to our store this year. Our parents asked and we are delivering. We have grey high school pants, blue women's pants and khakis for all sizes. Take advantage of our bulk ordering to get the best price around. If you have any additional questions, please reach out to us at apparel@apamail.org.

Fees

All fees are currently past due. Please stop by the office to pay fees for your student(s) in 7th-12th grade as soon as possible.

Attendance School Dates

We will be offering attendance school on the following dates. If your student has a No Grade (NG) in any class they should plan on participating in the Attendance School until the tardies or unexcused absences have been made up. Please see the parent-student handbook for detailed information about NGs and Attendance School procedures. <https://www.americanprep.org/parent-student-handbooks/> under the attendance section.

Sat., Oct. 5th - 8am to 11am Sat., Oct. 12th - 8am to 11am

American Preparatory Education Foundation

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4TH Annual Holiday Boutique

APA's 4th Annual Holiday Boutique will be held Friday, November 8 and Saturday, November 9 at the Draper 3 campus. We still need vendors. Please pass the word on to friends and family members who might be interested in having a booth. Details, as well as the vendor and student applications, can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/apaboutiquevendors/>. The cost for a student booth is \$10.

We are also in need of many volunteers to make this fundraiser a success. Thank you to those of you who attended our meeting this week. If you are able to help with this event, please reach out to me. We still need people to help with advertising, vendor outreach, decorating, and more.



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APA Business Directory

We are creating an APA business directory that will be available to all APA families. Thank you to those of you who have submitted your information. If you'd like to have your business included, please email me at mgoudge@americanprepfoundation.org, and I will send you the form. This is free advertising for your business and a great way for APA parents and staff to support other APA families.

Instruments Needed

Do you have an old instrument lying around collecting dust? APA is looking for band and orchestra instrument donations. We have many students in need of instruments. If you would like to donate an instrument, please contact me at the email address or phone number above. This is a great way to help some of our APA students, and it's a tax write-off for you!