



# AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

## School Calendar – WV2 Campus

January 31, 2021

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, February 1	JH Girls Basketball vs Excelsior Academy 4:30pm
Monday February 1	HS Boys Basketball @Hunter 6pm
Tuesday, February 2	HS Girls Basketball @Hillfield 5:30pm
Wednesday, February 3	4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Spelling Bee
Wednesday, February 3	JH Girls Basketball vs Summit Ind. 4:30pm
Wednesday, February 3	HS Boys Basketball vs Hillfield 5:30pm
Thursday, February 4	HS Girls Basketball @Rockwell 5:30pm
Friday, February 5	Spirit Wear Day
Friday, February 5	Elementary Only Early Dismissal 12pm/12:15pm
Friday, February 5	HS Boys Basketball vs Rockwell 4pm/5:30pm/7pm

### Looking Ahead.....

Mon. - Fri. Feb. 8 - 12	FCCLA Week: Beyond Measure
Mon. – Fri. Feb. 15 – 19	No School Mid-Winter Break
Thursday, February 11	K-3 Spelling Bee
Wednesday, February 24	Senior Class Picture
Wednesday, February 24	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Explosive Extravaganza 12:50pm-3pm
Thursday, February 25	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Western Round-Up
Mon. – Fri. March 8-12	Staff Appreciation Week

## Hello American Prep Families,

### Our Builder Theme for the month of January is “I Am A Builder when I think positive thoughts about myself and others.”

I am a builder when I think positive thoughts about myself and others. Buddha once said, “The mind is everything. What you think, you become.” This month we are helping the students understand the power behind thinking positive. At APA we want our students to become smart, strong, and service orientated. All of these require a positive way of thinking that will turn into an action. These actions are the good that we are going to see in the world.

We’re the school called APA  
 Making a difference in the world today  
 We give our positive thoughts a voice  
 Yes! Builders always make that choice!



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## **Hands for Hope**

Join us for our FIRST EVER hope challenge! February 1st-5th we are partnering with “Hands for Hope” by “Flag for Hope” to join thousands of other Hope Warriors to flood America with kindness. On THURSDAY the 4th your student will bring home a “hope coin” stapled to their learning plans. There are instructions on how to use it on the coin itself. The hope coin represents an act of kindness. As the coin moves from person to person a ripple effect is created that will have a long-lasting, positive impact on our home, school, community and country.

How it works: Your child should do a kind. act for a family member, neighbor or friend. They should include the coin and pass it on with the kind act (then the neighbor, family member or friend should then do a kind deed and pass the coin forward). Your child can record their kind act on the website [www.flagforhope.com](http://www.flagforhope.com) OR they may do so at school. The instructions on how to record online are found on the coin.

Let’s spread kindness one small act at a time! Are you ready for the challenge?

## **ACT February 6**

11<sup>th</sup> grade students should take the ACT 3-5 times in the 11-grade year. If your student is NOT signed up for an ACT test, please have them see a counselor. The next test is February 6<sup>th</sup>.

## **Sign UP Now for NACAC Virtual College Fairs**

Find the college that fits you at an upcoming NACAC Virtual College Fair. It’s easy! Just drop in on Zoom sessions offered by hundreds of colleges. It’s one day to explore your options and get started on your college dreams. Hear about student life, majors and programs, financial aid, scholarships, and more, plus ask questions and text chat.

Sign up now for free at [virtualcollegefairs.org](http://virtualcollegefairs.org). Families invited, too. Fair dates are: Jan. 31, Feb. 28, Mar. 7 (STEM), Mar. 16 (Performing & Visual Arts), Mar. 21. Apr. 10 (Western US), Apr. 20 (Southeastern US) & May 2.

## **From the Lunchroom**

We hope you and your students are enjoying our school lunch program! This is a reminder to order meals for your elementary students next month February 2021.

<https://apalunch.h1.hotlunchonline.net/>

All orders must be placed 48 hours in advance - if you want your student to have lunch on Monday, February 1st, you MUST order by Saturday, January 30th (midnight).

If you need help ordering lunch please [email\\_lunch@apamail.org](mailto:email_lunch@apamail.org) for assistance.

**WV2 SECONDARY (7th - 12th)** - You NO LONGER NEED TO ORDER for your Secondary Student(s). Please have them come to the window and they will be served a lunch.



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As a reminder we are excited to offer free meals to all students due to a NSLP waiver. All meals must be ordered 48 hours in advance. There is a limit to how many meals we can serve at each campus:

WV2 Elementary – 500

WV2 Secondary - 250

Once meals have reached the cap you will not be able to place an order for lunch. Please order ASAP.

You will notice when you log on to order you NO LONGER see the specific item to be ordered. Because of COVID, our menu is subject to change. Whenever possible we try to serve the specific lunch as listed on the menu, but there are occasions when your student will be presented with an alternative lunch that meets the nutritional requirements and your child's specific dietary restrictions. If your student cannot eat the lunch presented, they should go to the lunch staff who will provide an adequate meal.

We will continue to serve Regular (with meat) or Vegetarian (without meat), Gluten Free, or Dairy Free. We CANNOT guarantee the specific item will match the menu.

Feb 2021 Menu - <https://www.americanprep.org/school-lunch-program/menu/>

Click here to ORDER. <https://apalunch.h1.hotlunchonline.net/>

## **Congratulations, Kelly Beltran!**

Congratulations to Kelly Beltran for her artwork being accepted into the Springville Museum of Art High School Art Show. This is a very prestigious art show that has competition from students all over the state of Utah. Kelly's work first had to be admitted to the show by a panel of judges. It will be on display in March for the final round of judging. We are so proud of her. Way to go Kelly!

## **APA WV2 Swag**

We are continuing the campus tradition to offer a senior hoodie and joggers available to purchase for a limited time for our Class of 2021! We are also excited to have masks & hoodies available for the 9th-11th grades to purchase and have students, families and staff show their APA pride! Elementary students may join the fun by purchasing an APA hoodie to wear on Fridays and spirit wear days! Go online to [www.apaonlinestore.com](http://www.apaonlinestore.com) to check out the hoodie (which may also be worn on any Friday), the senior class of 2021 hoodie and joggers, as well as a senior mask or other masks for 9th-11th grade students. **These items are available for purchase now through February 9<sup>th</sup>.** Items will be delivered to the elementary and high school offices after Tuesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>. Gift your student with a hoodie or purchase a mask to show support for your school today! All items will be available for purchase until February 9<sup>th</sup> at [www.apaonlinestore.com](http://www.apaonlinestore.com).

## **Water Bottles**

We strongly encourage students to bring a water bottle to school each day. We have filling stations however we have turned off the actual water fountains to help reduce the spread. Please remind your student the importance of staying hydrated and bringing a water bottle to school. Thanks!



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## Elementary Yearbook

If you have pictures of your elementary students at school or learning from home, please email them to [npatterson@apamail.org](mailto:npatterson@apamail.org).

## Secondary Yearbook – see attached flyer

The Secondary (7-12) Yearbook is on sale. We have new Pandemic Pricing, so the yearbook will be \$45 all year. Yearbooks MUST be pre-ordered. We will not have extra to buy on the last day of school. All orders need to be placed online at <http://bit.ly/APA-WV2>. The last day to order is Wednesday, March 31st.

## Character Development

The theme for December was I am a builder when I look for ways to serve others (Kigatsuku).

Congratulations to our December Builders of the month.

7th Grade: Ethan Martindale and Madiha Khan

8th Grade: Josh Workman and Annay Flores

9th Grade: Mathew Alania Quispe and Maggie Nguyen

10th Grade: Jyvann Orozco and Nyakuoth Kulch

11th Grade: Rodrigo Betancourth and Anna Aguilar

12th Grade: Sorka Monday and Ariet Ocwor

## Compliance Items

### Accreditation

Every 5 years, we are required to undergo an Accreditation Review. Cognia is the approved Accrediting agency for public schools across multiple states. The Review Team from Cognia that conducted American Prep's recent review represented decades of education experience in public schools districts and charters across multiple states. As part of their extensive review, Cognia conducted observations in multiple APA classrooms, examined over 400 documents, and interviewed 117 stakeholders, including board members, admin, teachers, parents, community members, students, and support staff.

We are excited to announce that American Prep received an **exceptional** recommendation of Accreditation from its recent review. The Index of Education Quality (IEQ) is the numeric score given an institution at the conclusion of the Accreditation Review process. The 5-year average COGNIA IEQ score for institutions is 280. American Prep received an IEQ rating of 350 out of 400—**far above** average and indicating that APA “Demonstrates noteworthy practices producing clear results that positively impact the institution.”

Cognia specifically noted these powerful practices at APA:

1. The American Preparatory Academy (APA), directed by the chief executive officer (CEO) and the leadership team, tirelessly commit to the institution's purpose and direction.



2. APA's governing board established a comprehensive set of policies and procedures, including a strong code of ethics, allowing them to fulfill their roles and responsibilities for the institution and schools' direction.
3. APA schools provide a structured and positive culture that exemplifies the system's mission statement "...to ensure that each student achieves maximum academic proficiency and develops virtuous character and motivation for a productive citizenry."
4. APA exemplifies a data-driven system where teachers record, collect, analyze, and use both formative and summative assessments to update the curriculum and assess student learning.
5. APA provides staff members with professional learning activities based on data-driven needs assessments with a focus on collaboration and collegiality.
6. The system provides access to information resources and materials to support the curriculum and allocates human, material, and fiscal resources in alignment with the organizational purpose and improvement of student performance.

We are grateful to the staff, parents, students, and community members who contribute in meaningful ways to the culture and mission of excellence at American Prep!

#### **Test Data and School Report Cards Available**

The 2019-2020 School Report Cards are available on the American Prep website's Parent Library under "Plans and Reports" (<http://www.americanprep.org/plans-and-reports/>). School Improvement Plans for our Title I Campuses will also be located at this site. If you have any questions regarding this data, feel free to contact your school administrators.

#### **Datos de Prueba y Boletines Escolares Disponibles**

Los Boletines de Calificaciones de la Escuela 2019-2020 están disponibles en la Biblioteca de Padres de American Prep en "Planes e Informes" (<http://www.americanprep.org/plans-and-reports/>). Los Planes de Mejora Escolar para nuestros Campus Título I también estarán ubicados en este sitio. Si tiene alguna pregunta con respecto a estos datos, no dude en comunicarse con los administradores de su escuela.