



I am a builder when I am utterly reliable (changing the world for the better)

Reliability teaches our children the importance of being dependent for others, it helps reinforce accountability and being counted on.

Good read - *The Brothers' Promise*, written by Frances Harber, illustrated by Thor Wickstrom, The book is about two brothers who make a promise to their father that they will always look out for each other. A drought soon hits their farm, making the worried bachelor brother Yankel, sneak extra food to his brother Joseph for he and his family to survive. Here they tell their story of unselfishness and love through dependability and being reliable on each other.

Upcoming events

- May 16 - 4th Grade "Show what you know" Performance 5-6pm (Small Gym)
- May 16 - 5th Grade "Show what you know" Performance 6:30-7:30pm (Small Gym)
- May 17 - 6th Grade "Show what you know" Performance 6pm-7pm (Small Gym)
- May 18 - 2nd Grade "Show what you know" Performance 5pm-6pm (Small Gym)
- May 19 - Sistema Spring Concert Dress Rehearsal 3-5 p.m. ALL STUDENTS NEED TO ATTEND
- May 20 - Sistema Spring Concert Day 6 p.m. - RESERVED SEATS-TICKETS REQUIRED
- May 21 - Spring Formal (11th and 12th grade)
- May 24 - 3rd Grade "Show What You Know" 5pm-6pm (Small Gym)
- May 26 - Kindergarten "Show What You Know" 10am-11am (Small Gym)
- May 27 - Lights Off Community Event 3:30-5:30 - ENTIRE FAMILY INVITED!
- May 27- Last Day of Afterschool Programs

School Contact Information

- 385-351-3090
- Press 1 for Elementary Office
- Press 2 for Junior High Office & Secondary attendance
- Press 3 for High School Office

APA Dance Department

"Join us for our Spring Dance Concert titled "Stories Come Alive." This show will feature performances from all of the dance companies and classes at WV2, including pieces taken to competition, choreographed by students, and more! Tickets are available now at [our.show/wv2springdance](https://www.americanprep.org/show/wv2springdance). The shows are Friday, May 27th at 7pm, Saturday, May 28th at 2pm, and Saturday, May 28th at 7pm. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$5 for youth if purchased online. Get your tickets now before we sell out!"

West Valley 2 PAC Election

We have 3 vacancies to fill for our 2023 Parent Advisory Council and one candidate has volunteered, making this an uncontested election. APA's policy states: "If there are no contested seats at the end of the 21-day notice period, an election need not take place. Uncontested seats will instead be filled by majority election of the remaining PAC members."

Our current Parent Advisory Committee will vote on the following candidate during their August meeting.

Albanie Stoddard

I am very interested in joining the board and being able to learn more about APA and how we as parents can help support the growth of students attending APA. I am fairly new to the district as I currently have a Kindergartener attending, however next year I will have a First Grader and another Kindergartener and we are so excited to continue our journey at APA. I can't say enough good things about our experience thus far.

I currently serve as a member on my community HOA Board so I would say I have experience being a part of a Board and the level of expectations required with it. I also consider myself a very involved parent and jump at any opportunity to be at the school with my child, volunteering, or helping with celebrating our staff.

Our returning council includes the following parents:

Monica Barreto
Valter Barreto
Jeff Maroney

Amie Jacobson
Irene Christenson
Christopher Nash

Information on our current Parent Advisory Committee and Land Trust duties can be found on our website at <https://www.americanprep.org/land-trust/>

We look forward to serving you for another year!

Geography Fair

Parents! We are in need of some volunteers to help judge for our upcoming 9th grade Geography Fair. On the day of the fair, parents will be given a judging sheet and asked to walk around and hear the students' presentations. It is a fun atmosphere and all the students are eager to show off their hard work. The Geography Fair is on May 18th at 2:15 in the large gym. If you are able to join us, please contact Mrs. Taylor or Mrs. Nunez etaylor@apamail.org lnunez@apamail.org

USBE Special Needs Scholarship Opportunity

School districts and Charter schools are required by Utah Law, 53A1a-704(10), to inform parents of students with IEPs enrolled in public schools, of the availability of a scholarship to attend a private school through the Carson Smith Scholarship Program. The Carson Smith Special Needs Scholarship Program (CSS) provides tuition assistance for those who would qualify for special education and related services in public schools, preschool eligible special needs students enrolled in ineligible private schools. The scholarship is for students through 12th grade (3-21 year of age), whose parents choose an eligible private school. For more information on the scholarship, deadline schedule and funding schedule, please visit <https://www.schools.utah.gov/specialeducation/programs/carsonsmithscholarship>

Buddy Poppy

In preparation for our Memorial Day Assembly. Buddy Poppy donation envelopes are being ordered to go home with your students.

These are the opening words of Colonel John McCrea's Immortal poem dedicated to the memory of the men and women who served, fought and died in France during World War 1. The poppies of which he wrote have become the true symbol of all those who have given their lives in our nation's Wars.

The poppy has become recognized as the memorial flower in countries around the world. It is distributed by veteran's organizations in Europe, North America, and in most of the countries of the British Commonwealth.

Since 1922, the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States has conducted an annual distribution of "Buddy" poppies to raise funds for its charitable programs on behalf of the needy and disabled veterans, and the surviving family members of deceased veterans.

POPPIES EVERYWHERE

Today, buddy poppies are distributed by posts and auxiliary of the VFW in every state of the union and in dozens of other countries. Some 14 million are distributed annually; most of them during the period preceding Memorial Day and Veterans Day, but many of them at other times of the year.

More than 11 million dollars is raised each year through the distribution of the Buddy poppies - - all of it strictly accounted for and dedicated entirely to Veterans welfare. Under the unique VFW distribution system, the proceeds of the distribution are divided between the national, state, and local charitable purposes.

When you make a donation ...

you have contributed to the Veterans of Foreign Wars National Home for Children of deceased or disabled veterans at Eaton Rapids, Michigan... to the National VFW rehabilitation services in Washington, DC... to the VFW rehabilitation service in your own State... and to direct assistance programs for needy and disabled veterans and active service members and their families in your own community.

The services made possible through your donation are available to ALL needy veterans, active service members and their families - - not just those who are Veterans of Foreign Wars. Hundreds of thousands of non-members are assisted with disability claims and served in hospitals each year by Veterans of Foreign Wars.

How can so little do so much?

The person from whom you received your poppy is a volunteer. Their supervisor is a volunteer and the people who helped organize the distribution are volunteers. Their only pay is the satisfaction which comes from devoting time and effort to a worthy cause. However, there is someone who does get paid.

The disabled veterans who assembled the poppy from the original parts receives a nominal sum for their work. The amount is small, but it does help them buy the little luxuries which make hospital life tolerable and it does permit them to purchase a gift now and then for their loved ones at home.

When you are handed a "Buddy Poppy", give generously.

And when you wear your Poppy, do it proudly.

And when you see VFW and auxiliary volunteers working in veteran's hospitals, visiting the sick and helping them with their problems, give them a word of greeting.

You are Partners in a great work.

APA Reading and Math Lesson Video Bank

Did you know that there are videos for our math lessons on the APA website? This way, if your student is sick for a few days or if they just need another repetition of the teacher teaching it, to get their homework done, they can get the help they need. Just click on the math level your student is and click on the lesson, located on the left-hand side. <https://www.americanprep.org/math-and-reading-lessons/>

Elementary Yearbooks

Elementary Yearbooks are still available! We have a limited number, which will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis. Please stop by the elementary office to purchase your yearbook, they are no longer available for purchase online. They are \$16 for a soft cover, full color yearbook.

After School Programs

Welcome to another fun-filled week of music-making at Sistema Utah! It's hard to believe that there are only **two weeks left** to work with our Sistema students before school ends. The good news is that we have A LOT going on to help build up our students musically and to inspire them over the summer.

As our Sistema Utah "Take Flight" Spring Concert is THIS WEEK! Our students sound AMAZING! You are all in for a treat for our concert. It is also crucial that EACH Sistema Utah student - elementary and secondary - come each day of class so that they are ready to perform. Again, our special guest will be Alex Boye and your child will NOT want to miss this! We have an action packed concert week, so please make sure that your students come DAILY. Note the following dates so that you can plan accordingly.

- **THIS Thursday, May 19th - Dress Rehearsal Day - ALL students will need to stay until 5 p.m.** Mr. Boye will be coming to practice with us this day.
- **THIS Friday, May 20th - Rehearsal and Concert Day - ALL students will need to stay until after the concert finishes.** Concert begins at 6 p.m. with doors opening at 5:30 p.m. All tickets have been distributed and we are SOLD OUT. If you were on a waiting list, we invite you to attend via livestream which is <https://vimeo.com/event/2059059>. *Tickets are reserved seating which means that you MUST bring your ticket with you so that you know which seats have been assigned to you.*
 - **Elementary students** need to be in Monday-Thursday uniform for the concert.
 - **Secondary students** need to be in concert black for the concert.
- Friday, May 27th 3:30-5:30 p.m. - Lights Off Community Event - ENTIRE FAMILY IS INVITED and Last day of afterschool programs.

Please be sure that your child brings their instrument to school daily if they bring it home to practice. We have the same expectation as the daytime that each student is prepared with their materials daily. That means that every student needs to have their instrument and any music with them for their instrument class.

As a reminder, we have Sistema Google classrooms for your child's instrument and singing classes. Each student has been invited to join their respective classrooms. There is a video that they need to push play on and practice along with. This will help them to be prepared for our upcoming concert.

We have sent Sign Up Genius volunteer opportunities as well. We would appreciate your help to have our events be successful. Below are the volunteer opportunities:

- **Concert Day - Friday, May 20th - We have many needs for ushering, clean up, passing out programs, etc. Sign up [here!](#)**
- **Lights Off - Friday, May 27th - We will need parent volunteers to help with booths, set up, clean up, etc. Are you passionate about a craft or super amazing at face painting? Want to help with a booth? Sign up [here!](#)**

Thank you so much for your support!