



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

I suspect that the happiest people you know are the ones who work at being kind, helpful and reliable - and happiness sneaks into their lives while they are busy doing those things. It is a by-product, never a primary goal. - *Harold S. Kushner*

Upcoming events

- May 24 - 3rd Grade "Show What You Know" 5pm-6pm (Small Gym)
- May 24 - Memorial Day Assembly 1pm-3pm
- May 25 - Senior Commitment Assembly 1pm-2pm (Main Gym)
- May 26 - Kindergarten "Show What You Know" 10am-11am (Small Gym)
- May 26 - Kindergarten Last Day of School
- May 27 - Lights Off Community Event 3:30-5:30 - ENTIRE FAMILY INVITED!
- May 27- Last Day of Afterschool Programs
- May 27 - Seniors Last Day of School

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. 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!"

Re-enrollment

Parents, please make sure that you have re-enrolled your student for the upcoming 2022-23 School year. If you have forgotten your login information or have any questions, please contact the Registrar Mrs. Lautaimi at 385-351-3090 or email llautaimi@apamail.org The deadline for this will be shortly after the end of this school year. Skyward link to re enroll:

<https://skyward.iscorp.com/scripts/wsisa.dll/WService=wseduamerprepacaut/fwemnu01.w>

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!

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>

West Valley 2 Campus <https://westvalley2.americanprep.org/> <https://www.facebook.com/americanprepWV2> page 2/5

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.

Memorial Day Assembly

Each year, American Prep holds a commemoration assembly near Memorial Day to help us turn our thoughts and hearts to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice while defending our nation. To observe this important day, our students and staff will honor those who died and those who lost family members in service, through song, speech, and other performances at each campus. The assembly lasts about one hour.

Each of our events will be live-streamed and recordings will be available to re-watch after each event. We encourage you to share these links with loved ones, friends, and anyone in your community who would like to share in honoring our fallen heroes.

Thank you for helping us honor those who died while serving our nation and protecting our freedom.

May 24th - 9 am - West Valley 1 - Grades K-6th

May 24th - 1 pm - West Valley 2 - Grades K-12

May 25th - 1 pm - Salem - Grades K-9th

May 26th - 10 am - Draper 1 - Grades K-6th

May 27th - 9 a.m. or 11:30 am - Draper 2/3 campuses - Grades K-12

Visit <https://bit.ly/3lcPgyj> to join live stream.

Federal Government Ends USDA Free Meals for All Students in 2022-2023 School Year

What does this mean for families that attend American Preparatory Academy?

After the end of this school year, all students will no longer receive free lunch.

Beginning July 1, 2022, families will be able to apply for free or reduced-price lunch if they meet the federal income eligibility guidelines or participate in a qualifying program (SNAP, TANF, FDPIR).

2022-23 Lunch Prices

Reduced: \$0.40

Elementary: \$3.05

Secondary: \$3.35

Applications will be available July 1, 2022.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

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.

- 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:

- 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!