



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

In the book about a young girl, Maya who finds herself alone at school, a teacher helps her fellow students learn the importance of being a friend, through the example of dropping a stone into a bowl of water to demonstrate how powerful the ripples from a single act of kindness can be.

“This is what kindness does, ” Ms. Albert said. Each little thing we do goes out, like a ripple, into the world.”- Woodson & Lewis, *Each kindness*

Upcoming events

- May 9 - 1st Grade “Show What you Know” 5pm-6pm
- May 10 - Sistema Recording 4-6 p.m.
- May 10 - End of Year Choir Concert 6pm-7pm
- May 12 End of Year Orchestra Concert 5pm-7pm
- May 12 - End of Year Band Concert 7pm-9pm
- May 13 - Sistema Spring Concert Ticket Ordering Deadline
- 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.
- 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

Land Trust Election Notice

Our annual Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) elections are coming up and we are looking for volunteers to serve for the 2022-2023 school year. The PAC participates with school administration in developing the Annual School Plan, in deciding how the Land Trust monies will be spent, and other matters important to our students at American Preparatory Academy. The PAC generally meets 4 times per year. Members of the PAC will be expected to participate in all of these meetings so that a quorum may be present to conduct business. There are no term limits; as long as the volunteer has students enrolled in the school and is actively participating, they are welcome to continue serving on the committee. If you are interested, please contact Rebecca Dailey Land Trust Grant Manager at landtrust@apamail.org no later than Monday, May 9, 2022 at 4pm.

Please include:

- Your name
- The campus you are running for
- Your students name and grade
- Your phone number and email address
- A short (70 words or less) paragraph on why you are interested in being on the committee.

The ballot link will go home as the last page of the May 13 newsletter and elections will run through Wednesday, May 18. The candidate who receives the most votes will be posted in your campus' May 20 newsletter. Thank you!

Re-enrollment

The re-enrollment deadline is vastly approaching. Please make sure to re-enroll your student(s) for the upcoming 2022-23 school year. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mrs. Lautaimi Registrar at llautaimi@apamail.org Skyward link to re-enroll: <https://skyward.iscorp.com/scripts/wsisa.dll/WService=wseduamerprepacaut/seplog01.w>

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 at etaylor@apamail.org or lnunez@apamail.org

Instructors Needed

Our Campus is in need of Instructors. We gladly welcome our APA families or friends that would like to come and be a part of our elementary team. If you are interested, click the link to fill out an application. <https://bit.ly/3t67NBj>

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 **four 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 **2 ½ weeks away**, our rehearsals are in full swing. 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! **Next Tuesday, May 10th we have our Grand Finale Recording and need ALL students present. This includes elementary Sistema students and secondary club ensembles.**

Reserved tickets will be required for entrance to this amazing concert. We will have RESERVED seats which means that your seat numbers will be assigned and you will need to have a ticket to attend in person. As space is limited, each SISTEMA FAMILY will receive up to three tickets. The deadline to reserve tickets is Friday, May 13th. You may reserve your tickets [here](#). We do anticipate this concert selling out, so please do not delay in requesting tickets. For those unable to attend in-person, we will have a livestream available.

Please place the following dates on your calendars. Those that have an amended schedule will be required to be in attendance to each rehearsal to ensure that they are ready to perform our grand finale. Thank you for helping your child to be successful for this once-in-a-lifetime concert.

- THIS Tuesday, May 10th 4-6 p.m. - Grand Finale Recording - EACH student needs to be present so that we have all necessary voices for our recording that we will be sending to Mr. Boye.
- 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.

- 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. Tickets will be available to order on May 1st. Each student will receive a limited number of tickets and everyone else will be able to watch the livestream.
- 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 will be sending out three Sign Up Genius volunteer opportunities this week 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!