



**Builder Theme: I am a builder when I express gratitude in words and deeds.**

"Feeling gratitude and not expressing it is like wrapping a present and not giving it."

- William Arthur Ward

### Upcoming WV2 & WV3 Events ★

- **November 22nd - 24th - Thanksgiving Break/NO SCHOOL**
- Friday, December 1st - Elementary Science Fair 8am - 3:30pm
- Friday, December 1st - Staff vs. Student Basketball Game 3pm - 6pm in Large Gym

### School Contact Information

- 385-351-3090
- Administrative Director 385-351-3090 x1131
- Press 1 for Elementary Office
- Press 2 for Junior High Office & Secondary attendance
- Press 3 for High School Office

### WV2 & WV3 ★

Winter Clothing Reminder - We are starting to see temperatures drop and as winter weather is fast upon us we want to remind all families to please send your students to school with clothing that will keep them warm while they are outside (Jacket/coat, hat, gloves/mittens, etc.).

Carpool: We have received feedback from our community regarding morning carpool issues along 3600 West in front of the Granger-Hunter water district. We are seeing an increase of parents dropping their students off along 3600 West. This is causing congestion to regular traffic flow into our parking lot due to stopped cars and an increased number of pedestrian traffic. More importantly, we do not have personnel available to serve as a crossing guard across the driveway. This puts your students at risk. We ask that you do not drop off along 3600 West and use our carpool system as it has been implemented. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Cell Phones, Tablets & Smart Watches:** Devices with cellular capabilities are NOT authorized for student use from the time they enter the building in the morning, until they exit the building for dismissal/pickup. During carpool, while waiting at the curb, students are authorized to text and call ONLY. Cell phones and watches with cellular capabilities must be stored in backpacks at all times and will only be authorized to be taken out once the students exit the building at dismissal. Additionally, smart devices are NOT authorized for student use at any time while inside the building after hours. Students always have access to our school phones if they need to contact their parent or guardian and families can always call the school if they need to relay a message to their student.

**We have launched a new initiative to help protect our students from the harms of social media (Instagram, TikTok, Snapchat, etc.) and smart devices. Please visit the link below to learn more.**

[https://www.americanprep.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/Minimize-Tech\\_Maximize-Happiness.pdf?utm\\_campaign=Campus%20Updates&utm\\_medium=email&hsmi=267316862&hsenc=p2ANqtz-9uHtj64PTJEUyHpOqLrooAHM4U-FhzbIvns1dWfOIRp76cMzR19\\_mA6w1sd\\_h6sLmTSTiigZPzpczmtU20M29Xtrfs\\_A&utm\\_content=267316862&utm\\_source=hs\\_email](https://www.americanprep.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/Minimize-Tech_Maximize-Happiness.pdf?utm_campaign=Campus%20Updates&utm_medium=email&hsmi=267316862&hsenc=p2ANqtz-9uHtj64PTJEUyHpOqLrooAHM4U-FhzbIvns1dWfOIRp76cMzR19_mA6w1sd_h6sLmTSTiigZPzpczmtU20M29Xtrfs_A&utm_content=267316862&utm_source=hs_email)

Then, please join our Facebook Group - [Minimize Tech-Maximize Happiness](#), where we will share ideas with each other on how to navigate the world without smart devices for our children!

### **Elementary ★**

Please check the lost & found for any items your students may have misplaced. All unclaimed items will be donated over Thanksgiving Break.

### **Secondary ★**

#### **Saturday/Attendance School**

Dates: 12/2/23, 12/9/2023 and 12/16/2023

Expectations:

- Students must be in full Monday-Thursday uniform
- Students must bring in work to do for the entirety of their stay
- Students register at 7:50am
- Students will be asked to leave if they don't follow the expected behavior

### **Compliance ★**

#### **Teacher and Student Success Act (TSSA) Plans**

The 2023-24 Teacher and Student Success Act (TSSA) Plans are available on [americanprep.org](#) under Parent Resources, Plans and Reports titled "Teacher and Student Success Act Plan (TSSA)" Or you may find our campus TSSA Plans by going directly to this link:

<https://www.americanprep.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/WV23-TSSA-FY24.pdf>

**Utah School Accountability Report Cards** The 2023 School Report Cards are available on [americanprep.org](https://americanprep.org) under Parent Resources, Plans and Reports, "Utah School Accountability Report Card" Or you may find our campus Report Card by going directly to these links.

Elementary:

<https://reportcard.schools.utah.gov/School/OverallPerformance?StateID=&SchoolID=186243&DistrictID=110573&SchoolNbr=110&SchoolLevel=K8&IsSplitSchool=1&schoolyearendyear=2023>

Secondary:

<https://reportcard.schools.utah.gov/School/OverallPerformance?StateID=&SchoolID=186243&DistrictID=110573&SchoolNbr=110&SchoolLevel=HS&IsSplitSchool=1&schoolyearendyear=2023>

### **School Improvement Plan (SIP) and Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) Plan**

The 2023-24 School Improvement Plan is available on [americanprep.org](https://americanprep.org) under Parent Resources, Plans and Reports, "School Improvement Plan." The TSI goals are included in this plan and marked in the far left column. Or you may find our campus SIP by going directly to these links.

Elementary:

<https://www.americanprep.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/SY24-WV2-Stakeholder-SIP.pdf>

Secondary:

<https://www.americanprep.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/SY24-WV3-Stakeholder-SIP.pdf>

### **Title IA Schoolwide Improvement**

The 2023-24 Title IA Schoolwide Improvement Plan is available on [americanprep.org](https://americanprep.org) under Parent Resources, Plans and Reports, "Title IA Schoolwide Plan" Or you may find our campus Plan by going directly to these links:

#### **Title IA Schoolwide Improvement Plan:**

[https://www.americanprep.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/WV2\\_WV3-Title-IA-Schoolwide-Plan-FY24-English.pdf](https://www.americanprep.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/WV2_WV3-Title-IA-Schoolwide-Plan-FY24-English.pdf)

#### **Counselor's office ★**

### **Virtual Parent Empowerment: Mental Health and Wellness**

Among the many lessons learned during the last few years has been just how important it is to pay attention to our mental health and wellness as well as our physical health. In reality, our physical and mental health are intertwined. Most symptoms of mental illness emerge in the teenage-young adult years. Join us in our Virtual Parent Empowerment on Tuesday, November 14th at 7 pm as we explore what is mental health, how to identify symptoms of mental illness and how to get help, and the protective factors to help avoid serious issues. Students in the secondary grades will receive 2 tardy credits for each adult who attends this as well as for themselves. This topic is appropriate for students and parents so invite

your students to participate with you. See you on zoom! Join Zoom Meeting.  
<https://uetn-org.zoom.us/j/83457687165>

## Enrollment ★

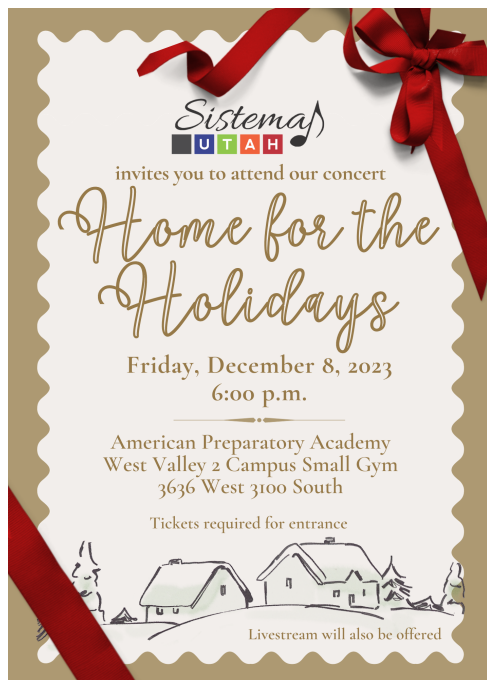
Mark your calendars and tell your friends and family! The application process for the 2024-2025 school year opens on 11/24! Visit [www.americanprep.org](http://www.americanprep.org) the morning of 11/24 to start the application process for next year! \*This does not apply for current APA students. If you are a current student, you will do your re-enrollment on Skyward, as usual, at a later date.\*

For questions regarding Kindergarten - 6th grade enrollment, contact Ms. Guastella at [hguastella@apamail.org](mailto:hguastella@apamail.org)

For questions regarding 7th grade - 12th grade enrollment, contact Mrs. Patterson at [mpatterson@apamail.org](mailto:mpatterson@apamail.org)

## Sistema Notes ♪

We hope you are excited about the upcoming Thanksgiving Break this week. Our students have been practicing so hard for our winter concert that will just be in a couple of weeks! It is time to reserve tickets for the concert by completing the form [here](#). **ANYONE WANTING TO ATTEND THE CONCERT WILL NEED TO RESERVE A TICKET FOR GENERAL ADMISSION SEATING.** With that being said, please make sure that your child attends Sistema every day so that they can learn the music and perform in our concert. Concerts are a BIG DEAL in our Sistema Utah program as we only have two concerts annually. **Our concert will be held Friday, December 8, 2023 at 6 p.m. in the Small Gym on campus.**



With the cooler weather comes sickness. As a reminder, if your child has to miss Sistema because they are sick or if they have a previously scheduled appointment, you need to call the Sistema office to let us know they

will be missing that day. Our phone number is 385-351-3090, ext. 1139 where you will leave a message if we do not answer. You may also email Mrs. Christensen at [tchristensen@apamail.org](mailto:tchristensen@apamail.org).

For students that have a walking pass, it is officially time to start coming to pick them up at the conclusion of our Sistema day. Now that it is dark when we dismiss and/or inclement weather beginning, we will not be able to let them walk home. Thank you for helping us to keep our students safe.

Our Sistema Strings students will be performing the National Anthem on Tuesday, December 5th for the University of Utah Men's Basketball game that will be held at the Huntsman Center. They have developed a ticket discount for anyone who would like to attend to support us. Tickets are \$3 each and can be ordered [here](#).

We have a few events taking place this term. Please make a note of the following on your family calendar:

- **Wednesday, November 22 through Friday, November 24th - No School/No Sistema for Thanksgiving Break**
- **Tuesday, December 5th - Sistema Strings National Anthem Performance at UofU**
- **Friday, December 8th - Sistema Winter Concert 6 p.m. "Home for the Holidays"**
- **Wednesday, December 13th - No Sistema - Staff Holiday Party:** All elementary students will need to be picked up by 2:35 p.m.
- **Monday, December 18th - Sistema Store (will take place of the Bach Buck store)**
- **Tuesday, December 19th - Sistema Term 2 No Missing Homework Incentive**

## **Character Development ★**

### **Heroes of Hygiene: APA's Annual Holiday Donation Drive**

There's a frosty nip in the air and that means that APA's annual multi-campus donation drive is just around the corner! We are excited to announce that we will be partnering with Globus Relief this year by collecting hygiene items that will be distributed to refugee camps, charitable clinics, orphanages, and areas affected by natural disasters.

Items To Be Collected: Any size of shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, soap (either body wash or solid bar soap), lotion, Kleenex packages, deodorant and dental floss, and standard sized toothbrushes and packaged combs/brushes.

More details to come, but get ready to show we can be Heroes of Hygiene!

- For Volunteering opportunities please email us at [wv2ambassadors@apamail.org](mailto:wv2ambassadors@apamail.org)