



# AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

## School Calendar

November 22, 2016

Friday, November 18 <sup>th</sup>	Sock Hop Grades 10-12 4:30-6:30 pm
Friday, November 18 <sup>th</sup>	Holiday Boutique 5-8 pm
Saturday, November 19 <sup>th</sup>	Holiday Boutique 9 am -1pm
Tuesday, November 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Show What You Know Grades 1-3, 8 am
Wednesday, November 23-27 <sup>th</sup>	Thanksgiving Break-No School
Monday-Thursday Nov. 28-Dec. 1 <sup>st</sup>	Leonardo on Wheels Science Grades 7-12
Tuesday, November 29 <sup>th</sup>	Show What You Know Grades 1-3, 8 am
Wednesday, November 30 <sup>th</sup>	Show What You Know Grades 4-6, 8 am
Friday, December 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Grades 7-12, Early Dismissal
	Secondary Parent Teacher Conferences
December 1-16 <sup>th</sup>	Food Drive-Utah Food Bank

You will find all events and updates for our campus at <http://www.draper2.americanprep.org>.

We encourage you to visit (and like!) our Facebook page for the latest school happenings.  
Check it out at <https://www.facebook.com/americanprepD2/>.

### **November Builder Theme: I am a builder when I express gratitude in word and deed.**

Thanksgiving, an American tradition was born out of our early history and involved different cultural traditions and beliefs. This cooperation between different peoples and cultures is part of the foundational beliefs and principles of our country. Please enjoy your families as we celebrate this uniquely American holiday time.

### **Holiday Gift Tradition for Staff**

As is tradition, American Preparatory Education Foundation is offering an opportunity to give your teachers a holiday gift AND make a donation to the bonus/compensation fund.

From Nov 28<sup>th</sup>–Dec 14<sup>th</sup>, for a \$5 minimum donation you can send a personalized holiday card and yummy treat to the teacher or staff member of your choice! Your student will be able to hand deliver the special gift and card directly to the recipient on Dec 19<sup>th</sup>.

All proceeds go directly to the APEF Staff Appreciation Fund for bonuses/compensation. More details are coming soon.

Gratefully,

APEF Board of Directors

### **Substitute Training**

Have you ever been interested in becoming part of our team? We are looking for enthusiastic people to substitute in our schools. We will have an initial substitute training meeting on Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, at the Draper 2 campus from 8:15-10:00 a.m.



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## We CAN Care: APA's Annual Donation Drive

We CAN Care! Get ready for APA's multi-campus annual donation drive. Every campus, every grade, and every classroom will be working together to fight hunger!

This year we'll be gathering food items to benefit the **Utah Food Bank**. The food bank provides **31.3 million meals** a year to help feed those in need right here in our own state! Let's show we care by making sure no one goes hungry this holiday season!

The donation drive kicks off Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> and continues through Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>. We accept CANS, boxes, or plastic-packaged food items. Please no glass, expired food, or perishable items.



## Health Update:

We have had a few cases of head lice reported to us. Please check your student for lice and if you need more information, here is a good link:

<http://kidshealth.org/en/parents/head-lice.html#>

## Sixth Grade Reading University- Reader's Choice Challenge

Our sixth grade students will be reading to determine the 2016-2017 Sixth Grade Reader's Choice Award! At the end of the reading period, **Dec. 14**, students who have read at least two books from the list and turn in the reading log will be invited to a pizza party and will be able to campaign for their favorite. They will vote and a winner will be declared! Remember, all books read count toward RU reading.

## Carpool Corner

To all of our families that endured months of road construction and congestion, THANK YOU! We know how challenging it was and will occasionally be when arterial roads get clogged, or there is a \$2 day at The Aquarium again. Thank you for your continued commitment to our school and enjoy safe travels wherever your holiday break takes your family.



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## **From the Family Support Organization**

A huge thanks to Liz Papenfuss for taking the lead on the upcoming Geography Bee. She'll need some helpers the day of the bee (Dec 7th) to help judge. Please sign up to help with this event!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090a45abac23a1ff2-geography>

Thank you for all of those who visited our Holiday Boutique! Your support of our school and vendors will help convince them to return! A very special thanks goes to Michelle Goudge who organized and coordinated the event.

Thanks to all of those reading the newsletter. Click here to enter a drawing for a gift card.

<http://bit.ly/apanewscontest>

## **Parents Night Out**

Did you ever want to just drop off your kids and have an “adult” night out? We will be hosting two Parents Night Outs the first two Saturdays in December. Our Advanced Band and National Honor Society will be hosting the events on December 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. There will be pizza, snacks, games and movies for your children. All children that are potty-trained are welcome. Information has been attached to the elementary students learning plans.

## **Athletics and Activities**

### **Coaches needed!!**

APA is excited to be offering Girls on the Run (3rd-5th grade) and Heart and Soul (6th-8th grade) programs again this year. We are looking for volunteers to help coach. The session begins on February 20th and ends May 20th with a 5k at Sugar House Park. It be held Thursdays from 2:45pm-4:45pm at Draper 1 campus.

If you have ever wanted to part of something amazing that empowers girls with tools to be successful in life all while having fun!! This is the place for you.

Please contact Ashleigh Macomber (Head Coach) [ashleighmacomber@gmail.com](mailto:ashleighmacomber@gmail.com)  
801-502-9899

For more information and team schedules check out the Athletics and Clubs web-site:

<http://www.draperathleticsapa.org/>

## **Character Development**

**Attention 7th Graders: PERFORMERS NEEDED!** Do you sing, dance, play an instrument, recite poetry, tell jokes? Then we need you! We have a wonderful opportunity to share your amazing talents during our Elderly Care Center Visits on Dec. 7th and 14th. Performances are the #1 request from our elderly friends, so let's make their day a little brighter. If you are interested in helping out please sign up at the Ambassador office.



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## Secondary News

### Winterim Handbooks

Winterim Handbooks for 2017 should have arrived in your **students'** email inboxes. Please ensure that you read through the informational section as well as the catalog itself before your student registers. The deadline for registration is **Monday, November 28th**. Winterim registrations will be held and not processed until all fees and fines have been paid. Please contact the secondary office if you have any questions!

### Winterim Stamp Collecting Class

This upcoming Winterim, Mr. McLaughlin will once again be teaching Stamp Collecting. He is asking for donations of stamps that otherwise would be disposed of. This includes many multiple copies of the current Christmas, Eid, or Hanukkah stamps. Any postage stamp, US or foreign, computer valued or country issued, will be gladly accepted. Just place in an envelope addressed to Mr. McLaughlin and drop off to Mrs. Ellis, Mrs. Hammond, or Mrs. Phillips in either office. Thank you!

### The APA Department of Fine Arts presents:

'BELIEVE': a Holiday Celebration  
Wednesday, December 14th, 7:00pm  
American Preparatory Academy, Draper 2

Call time for performers, 6:00pm

CONCERT BLACK Dress/ Uniform  
Ladies: Black dress, skirt, top, sweater, etc.  
Black tights, Black dress shoes (no heels)  
Gentleman: Black pants, socks, and dress shoes  
White shirt (long sleeve), Red, Green, or Holiday tie.  
Thank you for your support of the APA Choral program.  
Hope to see you there!

### ASPIRE Feature Notice

ASPIRE is the system that you can utilize to help track your secondary student's academic progress and attendance. If you are not currently using Aspire and need a username and password, first go to this link: <https://amerprep.usoe-dcs.org/Login.aspx>. Once on the home page, click where it says, "Request a Username" below the login box. You will need your student's four-digit ID number and their birthdate. With this you can setup your own login tied to all of your students. You can also setup ASPIRE alerts to send you notifications on your phone or email if your student has missing work. If you have questions, please contact Mr. Baker [dbaker@apamail.org](mailto:dbaker@apamail.org).