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The Official American Prep Newsletter



From the Directors' Desk

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Hello Parents and Students,

Summer Time is very busy at American Prep. We are working on facility maintenance, cleaning and installing new equipment in our classrooms. In addition we are reviewing, analyzing and discussing all the information from the past year including our students academic achievement data and our parent surveys. We are also interviewing and hiring new staff for the new year along with meeting all of our new families and students. It is a very busy time and necessary to improve the quality of education at American Prep Schools

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Breaking News

BY KEVIN MCVICAR

We are excited to announce that the 2018-2019 Uniform Guide is now available. We will be sending the electronic version out with our newsletter and then posting it on our web-site. After listening to our parents and students we are making one significant change for this year. Students will now be allowed to wear nice clean looking shoes as long as they are ALL Black, shoes and soles! . Polishable black dress shoes are still welcome. This gives students and families many more options regarding their footwear. As always, all parts of the uniform should be clean and professional. Please look at the following picture to see what is and is not allowed.

ALLOWED



NOT ALLOWED



Uniform Sale-August 15-17th

Starting Wednesday August 17th, we will be hosting our new and gently used uniform sale in the Draper 2 Gym. Parents will be able to purchase all uniform items needed for the upcoming year. This sale is one of the best ways to get all your students' uniform items! We will also have our "Spirit Wear" items for sale. These American Prep logo items can be worn on our Spirit Days throughout the whole school year. Come check them out!

WE'VE GOT SPIRIT WEAR, HOW 'BOUT YOU?

ORDER UNIFORM APPAREL AND SPIRIT WEAR
ONLINE ANYTIME AT AMERICANPREP.ORG/STORE



School Land Trust

BY KEVIN MCVICAR

Prior to the time Utah became a state Congress passed an Enabling Act setting the conditions under which Utah could be admitted to statehood. Utah accepted those conditions establishing a contract between Utah and Congress that included several agreements. One important thing to the United States at that time was to ensure that Utah's citizens would be educated. The primary source of funding for schools was property tax and well over 80% of the land in the new state belonged to the federal government. Congress therefore granted land to the state in a trust for the support of public schools, in exchange the state agreed not to tax or lay claim to the federal land in the state. One-ninth of the land in the state was granted to Utah in the trust. Four one-mile square sections in each township became school trust land. The state of Utah became the trustee for the school trust lands, and the schools of Utah the beneficiaries.

The School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration opened its doors on July 1, 1994 charged with the responsibility of administering 3.4 million acres of surface land and 4.3 million acres of mineral rights as the trustee for the schools. They were also responsible for administering eleven other small land trusts for the state. At the end of the first fiscal year there was \$94.5 million in the permanent State School Fund. The permanent State School Fund has grown from \$18 million (1983) to over \$2.3 billion (2017) because of the involvement of the education community, support of the legislature, increasing revenues coming from the land and the prudent investment of the fund. The annual distribution from the permanent fund provides revenue for the School LAND Trust Program.

Our school receives monies from this fund and there is a parent committee at our school that determines how these monies are spent within certain guidelines. Thank you to these parents for their willingness to serve on this committee.

Zoie Farmer – Newly Elected
Tammy Shumway – Newly Elected
Monica Walter – Newly Elected
Huh Hubert – Returning
Shari Harris – Returning
Britney Mendel – Returning
Crystal Painter – Returning
Elizabeth Papenfuss – Returning



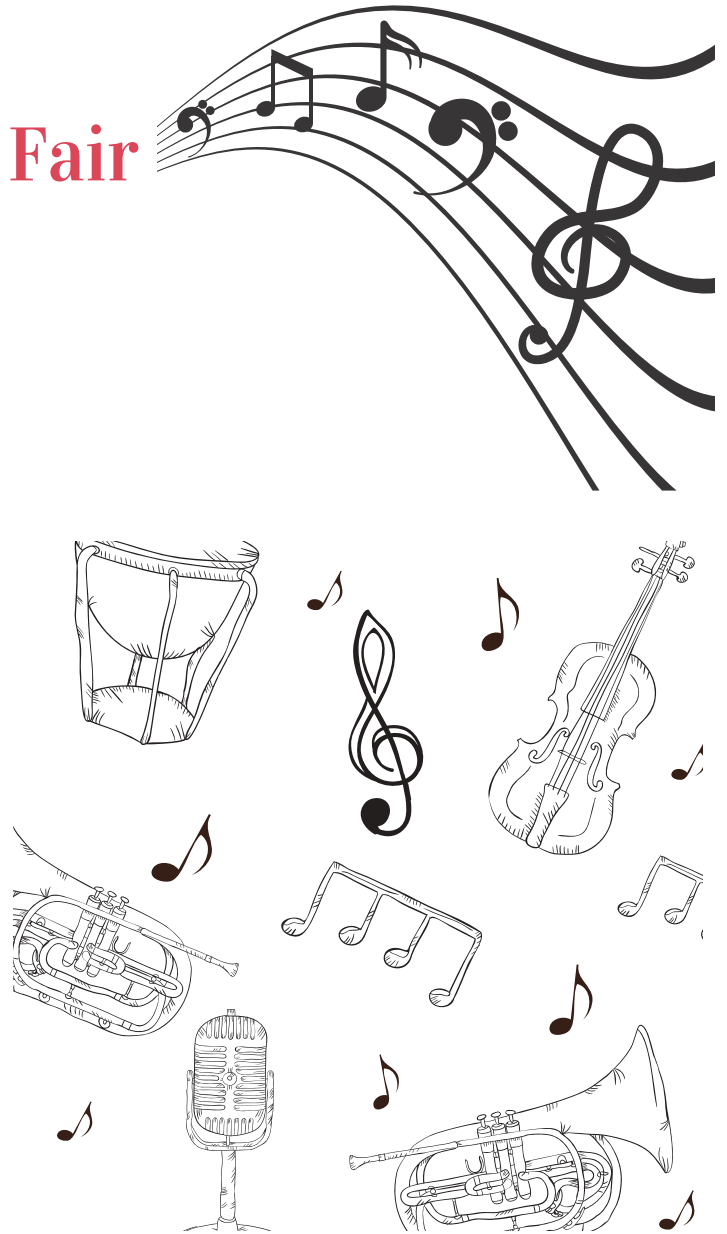
Important Dates

- July 30-Aug 2-Office Closed for Teacher Training
- August 17th-Meet Your Teacher 1-4 pm
- August 17th-6th Grade Instrument Fair 1-4 pm
- August 20th-First Day of School
- August 22nd-Parent Orientation Night 6:30-8:30 pm
- September 7th-Fall Festival

6th Grade Instrument Fair

As part of the Classical, Liberal Arts Education , all of our 6th grade students get the opportunity to learn an instrument. During the "Meet and Greet" your teacher on Friday, August 17th from 1-4 pm, we will have Summerhays Music joining our music department in an Instrument Fair from 1-4 pm in our multi-purpose room. This will be an opportunity to test out the instruments available for 6th grade students and sign up for a season rental if interested.

Deciding which instrument to play is something that you will want to discuss with your 6th grade student and come to the fair with ideas about the different options for your student. We have a band that uses brass, woodwind and percussion instruments and an orchestra that has string instruments.



Parent Orientation Night

BY CATHIE ADAMSON

Our parent Orientation night will be held Tuesday, August 21st 6:30-8:30 pm.

Parents, please plan on attending, there will NOT be room for you to bring your students with you. There will be one general session and then opportunities for parents to visit classrooms of their students. You will get to meet with the teacher for a general overview of each classroom and find out more about our incredible staff. There will also be volunteer sign-ups with our FSO- Family school Organization, including different culminating events, reading during lunch, helping with grading, chaperoning on field trips etc. In addition to volunteering, there will also be sign-ups for parents wanting to get involved with our after school activities. Come be part of our APA Draper community.



Family School Organization



Support our School

THE STRENGTH OF
AMERICAN PREP IS
OUR PARENT
COMMUNITY.
GET INVOLVED
STAY INVOLVED
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Curriculum
Staff Appreciation
After School Clubs
Volunteer Center
Assemblies
Yearbook
Golf Tournament



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