

September 14, 2018

Draper 2



UPCOMING EVENTS

New Family Parent Orientation	Thur. Sept 20th	8:30 am
	Thur. Sept. 20th	6:30 pm
K - 6th grade students	Fri. Sept. 21st -	School in session
6th Grade Ambassador Event	Fri. Sept. 21st,	1-3:15 pm
AST (Room Parent) Training - Gym	Tues. Sept. 25th	8:15-9:15 am
Picture Re-Take Day	Tues. Oct 9th	
Grades 1-3 Field Trips	Wed. Oct. 10th	
Grades 4-6 Field Trips	Thur. Oct. 11th	

For updates, additional event information, and athletic events, please visit our campus website at:
<https://draper2.americanprep.org/>

From the Directors' Desks

by Cathie Adamson and Kevin McVicar

September Builder Theme: Building with Enthusiasm!

September 11th (Tuesday of this week) was Patriot Day. This day presents an important opportunity to show our *enthusiasm* for our wonderful country. Patriot Day is the day we remember the 2,993 people who lost their lives in the September 11, 2001 attacks on the United States. On that day, two hijacked airplanes crashed into the twin towers of the World Trade Center in NYC. A third hijacked aircraft crashed into the Pentagon near Washington, DC. It is believed that a fourth airplane was to crash into the White House, however, passengers aboard that plane tried to take control over the



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hijackers to prevent the attack. The plane ended up crashing in Pennsylvania. Innocent people lost their lives during this tragedy - many of them through heroic efforts trying to help others.

In the days, weeks and months following 9/11, the U.S. was awash with American flags as citizens mourned the incredible losses and stood shoulder-to-shoulder against terrorism. Our patriotism has pulled our country and communities through tough times and it is important that we enthusiastically keep it alive.

On December 18, 2001, President George W. Bush designated September 11th a day of remembrance and directed that our flag should be flown at half-staff at home and at all U.S. government buildings. Maybe you noticed that our school flags flew at half mast on Tuesday. Here are some things that you can do as a family to foster enthusiasm for our flag and our country as you honor Patriot Day:

- Educate your family about what happened on September 11th. You can read about it online or watch video footage.
 - Fly your flag at half staff on September 11th.
- Observe a moment of silence for citizens who lost their lives in this tragedy.
- Volunteer in your community as a way to celebrate unity and service.
- Visit the Healing Field on the esplanade of Sandy City Hall where there is a flag displayed for each person who lost their lives in the 9/11 attack. It is a very moving experience and takes place for about 5 days every September. <https://www.healingfield.org/utah/>.

New Family Parent Orientation

Are you new to American Prep? At the beginning of every year, we host a New Parent Orientation and we invite all of our new families to come learn more about their school! We have scheduled two orientations - one during the day and one in the evening. You need only attend one of the sessions!

New families - please come and learn more about APA and get all of your questions answered on **Thursday, Sept. 20th at either 8:30 am or 6:30 pm** in the Draper 2 Multi-purpose room!! We are excited to see you there!!



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ALMA-Online grading Program

The online grading program used in our Elementary school, ALMA, is now up and running. Thank you for your patience as our staff has been working hard to enter all the information needed to get it started. You should have already received an email directly from ALMA with your username and password. Please remember to check your junk mail if you didn't receive an email. If it is not there, please contact your student's homeroom teacher so we can fix any problems.

Field Trip Donations

FIELD TRIPS!!! Our elementary students in grades 1-6 take two field trips per year. Kindergarten students will go to the zoo for their end-of-year field trip. Field trips are important learning experiences for our students!!

The transportation to the field trips is quite expensive. In past years we have had parent volunteer drivers because the cost of buses is about \$11.00 per student per trip. This year, we are hoping to use buses for all our field trips and we are asking parents to help us to provide this great opportunity to your child. We need your kind donation of \$11.00 per field trip (\$22.00 total for grades 1-6).

The school's foundation - American Preparatory Education Foundation - is graciously heading up the field trip donation effort this year. Please go to <https://www.americanprepfoundation.org/programs> to make your online donation. When you hit the page, scroll down to "Program Enhancement" and from the drop-down menu choose "Draper 2 Field Trips".

You may also send a check made out to APEF if you prefer.

Although we hope to receive donations of \$22.00 from every parent, we welcome donations of a greater amount to help cover where we may fall short. THANK YOU!!

From the Front Office

Hello Families! We are grateful to the VOLUNTEERS who have helped us in our front office! So far, we have about 4 out of the 20 weekly volunteer slots filled. WE NEED VOLUNTEERS IN THE FRONT OFFICE TO SERVE YOUR WONDERFUL STUDENTS! Please sign up and come help us! Here is the link to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0544adac2ba1f58-american>

Parking

If you need to come into the school during the school day, please park in the VISITOR parking spots. They are painted with white paint. Please do not park in any of the numbered spots, as those are reserved for staff parking. Thank you!

Pledge of Allegiance and National Anthem

If you are entering our building, or in the building somewhere, and we are underway with either the Pledge of Allegiance or National Anthem, please stop and respectfully participate! The front office



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takes this very seriously and we will stop what we are doing to participate in both. We think this is a FANTASTIC way to start the day.

Parent Messages to Students

Although we would love to be able to get personal messages from parents to students during the school day, it is not possible for us to consistently do this. As you know, our students are on the move all day long! Students are going from the classroom to groups classes to specials (music, art, PE) and recess. Did you know our students have at least 10-15 transitions every day? Finding a student to pass along a message is quite a feat! So with only 2 secretaries in the office to serve our parents and guests and students who are ill, we really are not in a position to leave the office to run messages to students. ***Please communicate any message that needs to get to your student with the homeroom teacher via email the night before (preferably) or first thing in the morning.***

Attendance

OOPS!!! It was brought to our attention that the attendance email address we shared in last week's newsletter was incorrect. ***The correct email for absent students is d2attendance@apamail.org.*** Reporting your student absent is a TWO step process:

1. Email d2attendance@apamail.org and include your child's name, grade and teacher's name, **OR** call the front office at 801-810-3590, select the attendance option and leave a message with the same information (student name, grade and teacher's name) by 9:30 am each day your child is absent, **AND**
2. Email your student's homeroom teacher.

Thank you so much for your patience as we get things going here at APA! We are learning so much and our processes are improving each day. We hope to see lots of volunteers helping us in the office very soon! We look forward to meeting you.

Afternoon Pick-Up

THANK YOU to all the families who switched their curb assignment to help balance the traffic flow! As traffic is flowing well now, we don't plan any further curb adjustments for our purposes. If you need or want a pickup change, please contact us at the school office.

If an adjustment needs to be made to your regular pick-up time, please communicate that **DIRECTLY** to your child's teacher. (For example, if your sister is picking up your kids just this once, and needs them to go to curb B instead of D, email your student's teacher by 9:00 am).

****Spirit Wear**

We will eventually have a full spirit wear store at our campus, but right now we have just a handful of sizes and styles of Spirit Wear to purchase at the office. If you would like to purchase Spirit Wear, your best bet is to purchase it directly from our website: <https://www.americanprep.org/store/>

****Health Updates**



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We've had lots (and lots and LOTS) of Kiddos come to the office with some type of sickness or another. If your student visits us here, we'll start by taking their temperature. If the temperature reads 99 or higher, we'll call you so you can decide how you'd like to proceed. If the temperature is in a normal range, we'll let your Kiddo rest here for a spell, to see if that helps. If there is no vomiting, fever, or other telling symptoms, we'll encourage your student to go back to class.

****LOST + FOUND**

So, so, so many lost things have been found! Water bottles, lunchboxes, glasses, hoodies, and even an umbrella are waiting to be claimed by their owners. Please make time to come look through these treasures before we donate them to charity!

McKinley Carman
Draper 2 Secretary
801-810-3590 ext.5

Family Support Organization

Dear Parents,

As your D2 and D3 Family-School Organization (FSO) Directors, we would like to thank everyone who helped to make this year's Fall Festival a success! We truly appreciate each and every volunteer and all of those who donated to the student government bake sale. The bake sale was a huge success this year! We also appreciate all of the staff at APA who helped us leading up to the festival and all those who helped us that night. We couldn't have done it without you.

Last but not least, thank you to everyone who came out to the Festival and supported the FSO and different groups from D2 and D3. We hope that everyone who came enjoyed the night's festivities. The administration would like to put some pictures up on the website, so if you took pictures that you are willing to share, please email Nicole Harman at nharman@apamail.org.

Thank you,

Nicole Harman & Kelly Bible

As you know, every family is asked to contribute 20 volunteer hours each school year. Have you considered where you would like to spend those hours? We appreciate those that have signed up to help in their child's classroom! But did you know that there are many needs in the school besides in the classroom? The FSO will have quite a few opportunities in the next few months to serve our staff and students. Opportunities include:

- Front Office Volunteers
- Sorting Box Tops
- Book Fair
- Reading University Store
- Parent-Teacher Conference Dinner



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The process for volunteering is simple!! Just watch for sign-ups for the different events in the newsletter or via email. Then follow the link to sign up! It is EASY!!

We also TRACK parent volunteer hours. There are 2 ways you can track your hours:

1. Write them with a permanent marker or pen on your weekly communication envelope OR
2. Email them to volunteerdraper2@apamail.org

When you reach 20 hours of volunteer service, you will receive a Volunteer Pin!

If you have volunteer hours, please record them or email your hours to volunteerdraper2@apamail.org

If you have any questions regarding the FSO and how you can help, please send an email to nharman@apamail.org.

Thanks again!
Nicole Harman

****School Lunch**

We hope you and your students are enjoying our school lunch program! This is a reminder to order meals for September. If you have not already ordered meals, please follow this link and place your order. <https://apalunch.h1.hotlunchonline.net/>

All orders must be placed 48 hours in advance (example: lunches for Tuesday must be ordered by Sunday). If you need help ordering lunch, our school lunch workers are available at Draper 2 from 9:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m., and then from 12 Noon to 1 p.m. every day. You can also email lunch@apamail.org.

[To view the August/September lunch menu, please click here.](#)

****Uniforms**

Most of our students are doing an AMAZING job coming in the proper uniform each and every day! However, we do have a few students who continue to wear their uniform incorrectly. Please watch the following infractions –

- Skirts too short – Girls' skirts should come to the TOP of their knees when standing or sitting. If it doesn't, the skirt is too short.
- Shirts not tucked into pants/no ties – Boys should have their shirts tucked into their pants, not just rolled up under their vests. Ties should be worn Monday through Thursday for boys 4-6.
- Shoes for our K-3 students should be white, black, or brown ONLY with NO other colors on the shoes or shoelaces. If we can see your shoes walking down the hall before we see your cute face, your shoes are distracting and unacceptable.
- Bracelets – Only one bracelet on a student's wrist at a time.



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- Hair pieces – Non distracting pieces may be worn.
- Blue over white – If your student is wearing a white shirt, they must ALWAYS wear a blue vest or cardigan over it. This goes for Friday dress as well if your student chooses to wear a white shirt instead of a polo shirt. Cardigans MUST stay buttoned even if you are wearing a white shirt under it.
- Tights/leggings - Leggings or pants may be worn under skirts, but they must be black or navy-blue and full-length. Stockings must come to the bottom of the leggings.
- Undergarments (t-shirts etc.) - May be long or short sleeve and must be plain white (no lace or patterns). Undershirts may be navy-blue if worn under navy-blue polo shirts.

***Substitutes needed!**

Need for Substitute Teachers!

We are in need of substitute teachers! Please consider becoming a substitute for us! Or, if you have friends, relatives or neighbors who are looking for a WONDERFUL part-time job, this may just be it! Here is more information about our substitutes and their duties:

Elementary Substitutes: Don't worry, you won't be put in charge of a classroom! Our staffing model allows us to have our Instructors step in and substitute for the teachers when they are absent, so our substitutes are really "assistant" teachers, helping out the Instructor as they teach the class. This is a really great opportunity for parents and others to be in the school and to make a BIG difference! Being an elementary substitute is VERY FUN! Please email Cathie Adamson cadamson@apamail.org or call 801-810-3590 and we will answer any questions you may have!

Secondary Substitutes: For grades 7-12, you will be in a classroom with students, following a substitute plan left by the classroom teacher. Our students are respectful and fun to be around! You will love it!! Please email Carole Hollinger carole.hollinger@apamail.org or call 385-434-2000 ext.1008 and we will answer all of your questions!!

Our substitute teacher pay is very competitive!

HS Diploma/GED

\$80 per day

Associates Degree

\$85 per day

Bachelors Degree

\$90 per day

Please email or call Cathie Adamson cadamson@apamail.org if you are interested, or go directly to our website at <https://www.americanprep.org/careers/> and apply!!

Assembly Etiquette

At American Prep, we have many different assemblies for various events and weekly student "Show What You Know" assemblies. At these assemblies we ask everyone to observe the following protocols:



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- Please always find a seat. We do not want any guests standing during an assembly.
- Please stay for the entire program. It is not good manners to get up and leave in the middle of an assembly. Please just plan on spending the extra time in the assembly if coming to see your student.
- When the Pledge and National Anthem start, please stop and pause where you are and participate by being respectful, reciting the Pledge and singing along with the National Anthem. Please do not try and enter the room during this time, just stay in the lobby or outside the door.

Character Development

by Mandy Brown

Our 5th Grade "Welcome Aboard the APA FriendSHIP" was a great success! Students were able to practice and master very important skills about being a true friend. Some of the lessons taught in this event included how to write a thank-you note, the way to meet and greet others, how to navigate a reception line and the keys to asking intelligent questions. A big "thanks" to all of our amazing parent volunteers! These events would not be possible without you! Please ask your 5th grader to share what they learned with you!

REMINDER! We want to collect more stories of service! Please let us know about YOUR CHILD serving an elderly neighbor, volunteering with their sports team to clean up a park, going as a family to walk dogs at the Humane Society, etc. Send your stories and photos to mandy.brown@apamail.org to be featured all month long on our Builder Bulletin Board (located in the kindergarten/first grade hall).





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School-to-Parent Communication

A weekly newsletter from the Administrative Director will be emailed to American Prep families. Additionally, there will be a weekly communication envelope sent home with the youngest student of each family which will contain a paper copy of our newsletter, additional flyers and other paper materials. This envelope will go home with students on Thursdays or Fridays. The newsletter will contain notification of important dates and events, as well as pertinent school news and information.

Please return the Communication Envelope with your student the following Monday, signing that you have received it.

***After-School Activities**

Learning Through Robotics Grades 1-2 Wed., 2:30-3:30 pm, 2nd Floor Art Room #233
Grades 3-6 Thur., 2:30-3:30 pm, 2nd Floor Art Room #233

<http://www.roboticstem.com/sign-up/>

Art Haven Classes start Sept. 19th-Wed., 2:30-3:45 pm

<https://campscui.active.com/orgs/ArtHaven#/selectSessions/2494903/filter/session=40003702>

Excel Music-Thursdays Beginning Choir, 2:30-3:20/Audition Choir, 2:30-4:00, Choir Room
excelmusicacademy1@gmail.com

Cyndi Bowen 801-637-2748

Chess Club Parent Volunteer Meeting, Monday, Sept 17th, 3:45-4:30 pm, 1st Floor Art Room #103

LEGO Club needs more parent volunteers before they can get started. Thanks to Tammy Shumway and Jenny Hernandez who have already signed up. If you would like to assist with these clubs so they can get started, please go to the following links!

LEGO Club:<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a45aea828aafc1-lego>

Picture Day

Thanks to Bell Photo for all their work this week getting pictures of our students. It will take them a few weeks to color balance and spruce up each individual student picture.

- **If you pre-ordered a package it will be delivered to the school.**



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- **If you did not pre-order, a proof sheet will be delivered to your student with an individualized code for parents to review online and order prints.**

Additional prints ordered online will then be delivered to your home. **Picture make-up day will be October 9th.** If you are not satisfied with your photo, or if a student was absent and missed picture day, you can have their picture taken on October 9th.

Email your child's teacher if you would like your child to have a re-take.

***Carpool Corner**

Wanting to carpool with other families? On our website, we have loaded all the addresses of our families. Under the "Resources" section, click on the Carpool section and then scroll down to the bottom where you can find families in your neighborhood to contact about setting up a carpool. The more families who carpool together, the fewer cars in our system and the smoother and faster drop-off and pick-up will be.

<https://www.zeemaps.com/view?group=3139616&x=-111.850077&y=40.500553&z=6>

Thank you to all the parents that have adjusted their arrival times for pick-up in the afternoon. Your cooperation has made a huge difference and our carpool system is flowing much better. As you exit the property, please form a double line in our driveway and then zipper back together before exiting. Forming two lines with a zipper at the end is the best way to exit the property when we have peak traffic volume. Please check out this you-tube video about the benefits of forming two lines on our exit.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cX0I80dK7Tk>