



# AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

November 2, 2018

Draper 2



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Veterans Day Assembly  
Seussical The Musical  
Holiday Boutique  
**Thanksgiving Break**

Thur., Nov. 8th, 9:00 am/12 noon  
Nov. 15th, 16th, 17th  
Nov. 16th and 17th  
**Wed., Nov. 21 - Fri., Nov. 23**

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

#### **November Builder Theme: I am a Builder When I Show Gratitude in Word and Deed**

This month we find ourselves reflecting on what we are grateful for in our lives. As an introduction to our builders theme this month, We would like to offer this challenge: Can you think of 100 things you are thankful for? Try this exercise with your family. Close your eyes and focus on a blessing in your life. It's easy to begin by visualizing your family members and friends. Envision an image of each one in your mind. Offer a silent "thank you" to the person or object of your appreciation. How many things are on your list so far? 20? 35? 50?



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Next start to think about things that you may take for granted like the sunshine, a warm bed, food in your home, your teacher's help on that assignment. Good is everywhere! Relax into the feelings of gratitude...take a deep breath...feel more gratitude as you recognize your 100 blessings.

William Faulkner said, "Gratitude is a quality similar to electricity: it must be produced and discharged and used up in order to exist at all." The latest brain research shows that feeling gratitude for 30 seconds six times a day (a mere three minutes!) enables our neurons to fire and wire together around gratitude and we can then more easily and frequently access this gratitude.

Gratitude has a positive impact in our lives by improving physical and emotional health as well as boosting self-esteem. Simply put, doing good *feels good*.

## **From the Academic Office**

By Lindsay Campbell

Thank you for coming to Parent Teacher Conferences and meeting with your students' teachers! If you were unable to come to conferences, please find a time to meet/talk with your student's teacher to learn about their levels and how things are going in their classes.

A lot of parents request that their student move groups in either reading or math. Thank you for following up and discussing that concern with your student's homeroom teacher.

Just as a reminder the first 30 lessons of most of our programs are review. The programs we use are built to have students review at the beginning of the year (especially in Saxon). After the request is made by you to the homeroom teacher, it will take a few days to get the change made. The homeroom teacher will talk to the group teachers to find out how the student is doing in the class. Some things they look for: Is the homework done every night? Are they participating well in class? Are they doing well on their tests?

After talking with the group teacher, if the student is above and beyond, or below and struggling, the homeroom teacher will take the group change to admin, who will then re-test the student to find a new group placement.

Thank you again for bringing this concern to the teachers so we can get all of our students in the correct placement!

## **Flu Season Reminder**

Just a reminder about expectations regarding sick students. If your student has a fever or is vomiting, they are not to attend school. The CDC recommends that children be free of fever for at least 24 hours before returning to school. Flu season is especially bad this year. Keeping sick children home from school helps slow the spread of disease. Some symptoms of the flu include fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headaches, chills, fatigue, and sometimes diarrhea and vomiting. Hand hygiene is the number one way of preventing the transmission of disease. Please do your part to keep all our students healthy. Thank you.



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## School Lunch

The menu for October, November, and December is now available! You can now order online - the link for online ordering can be found here: <https://www.americanprep.org/school-lunch-program/>

## Coats and Jackets

As the weather turns colder, please make sure that your students are dressed appropriately to go outside and enjoy recess. Our teachers and instructors will use their best judgement and may not let your student go out to recess if they do not have the proper coat/jacket.

Thank you in advance for your help in keeping our students warm and dry.

## Veterans Day

We are excited to announce that our Veterans Day Assembly will be broadcast live on KSL. This live streaming event will allow anyone with the following link to access the live stream.

<https://live.ksl.com>

The screenshot shows the KSL.com website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'KSL.com' on the left and 'MARKETPLACE' with sub-links 'Classifieds', 'Cars', 'Homes', 'Jobs', 'Services' on the right. Below the navigation bar, the main content area features a 'LIVE Jay Mac News Show' player. The player includes a video thumbnail of a man in a blue shirt, a play button, and a logo for 'The ALL NEW JayMac News Show' with 'KSL NEWSRADIO 102.7 FM HD-R2' below it. To the right of the player is a green 'LISTEN NOW' button. Below the button, there is a section titled '3 Easy Steps:' with the following instructions: '1) Click 'Listen Now'', '2) Download on our website!', and '3) Get Free Live Radio'. At the bottom of this section, it says 'Free Live Radio'.

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Live and Upcoming

10/29	<b>LIVE</b>	Jeff Caplan's Afternoon News	KSL News Radio
10/29	5:00pm	KSL 5 News at 5	KSL - News
10/29	5:59pm	KSL 5 News at 6	KSL - News
10/29	6:30pm	KSL 5 News Primetime	KSL - News
10/29	9:59pm	KSL 5 News at 10	KSL - News



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## **YEARBOOK 2018/2019!!**

**Come one, come all, get your Draper 2 Elementary yearbook!! Yearbooks are now on sale.**

**Cost: Pre-sales today through March 3, 2019**

\$15.00 - soft cover

\$20.00 - hard cover

**March 4, 2019 through April 12, 2019**

\$20.00 - soft cover

\$25.00 - hard cover

**ONLINE ORDERS ONLY, starting Monday, Nov. 5th!!**

**PAYMENT FOR YEARBOOKS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AT THE SCHOOL.**

Go to [bellphoto.com](http://bellphoto.com)

Click on Prepay

Enter school code: apadraper2yb2018

Click on start and the gallery will open

## **Carpool Corner**

**A GREAT BIG SHOUT OUT TO OUR CARPOOL VOLUNTEERS!**

We have a few parents that have stepped up to help us during carpool and it is already making a huge difference for our staff. If you have one morning or afternoon, we could still use your help. Please sign up now!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a45aea828aafc1-carpool1>

## **Parking for Assemblies**

When coming to the school for an assembly, please use visitor parking or the parking spaces along the east of the school next to the sheep field. Many of the numbered stalls are assigned to our staff. Thank you.

## **From the Front Office**

A *HUGE* THANK YOU to the volunteers who have come to help us in the office!! It has made such a difference!

### **ATTENDANCE:**

Please do the following when your student is absent:

1. EMAIL THE FRONT OFFICE ([d2attendance@apamail.org](mailto:d2attendance@apamail.org))
2. Email your student's teacher.

Email addresses can be found on your student's learning plan and our website in the "About" section -- click on "Leadership and Staff".

-- Remember to include your student's first and last name.

### **PICK-UP DEADLINE:**

Thank you to those parents who have made an extra effort to pick up your kids before 4pm/3pm! To everyone else, please remember that we have our own children that we need to take care of and we



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can't stay here with your children past 4:00 pm on Mon./Tues./Fri. or past 3:00 pm on Wed/Thurs. We appreciate your understanding and your help with this!

## **COATS:**

It is that time of year where students need a coat to go out to recess. If your student does not have a coat, he/she will spend their recess in their classroom. With that said, coats may only be worn while outside and should be hung up with their backpack upon returning to class. Should your student need to keep warm in the classroom, they do need to be in a navy blue cardigan.

## **Volunteer Opportunities!!**

YOU are needed in lots of many ways to keep YOUR school up and running in the way it should be. We ALWAYS do what's best for kids and your kids love seeing you here helping out. Below you will find lots of different opportunities to volunteer. Please consider coming in and helping out.

## **Seussical, the Musical**

### **DONORS AND BUSINESS SPONSORS ARE WANTED FOR SEUSSICAL, THE MUSICAL!**

Would your business/company like an ad in our program? (Or would your neighbor's/uncle's/favorite restaurant like one?)

Would you (or your favorite grandmother) like to be listed in our program as a private APA Theatre Department Donor?

Please read all about your options and instructions at this link:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1TSvjRLuZqFzIsuGTdKcouGid-mRiwBmq2N8iOMhSx5Y/edit?usp=sharing>

### **EARN YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS BY HELPING WITH SEUSSICAL, THE MUSICAL!**

The Production Team needs LOTS of help! We have a smaller cast this year (including elementary students!), so we have fewer parents to handle the many tasks that are needed from amazing volunteers. Sign-up to help using the following link and help us have a great show! Tasks include food for meals, hair & makeup, ticket & concession sales, and more!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0445adae28a5fb6-seussical>

### **\*Carpool Volunteer link**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0A45AEA828AAFC1-carpool1>

### **Veteran's Day**

The Veteran's Day Assembly is coming up on Thursday, November 8th and we need your help! This assembly is a great way to serve our school, our community and to show thanks to those who have served and who are currently serving our great country.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0D4EA8AB2FA4FE3-veterans>



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## **\*Front Office Volunteers Needed**

Hello, Families! Thank you so much to those who have come in to help! It's a fun volunteer assignment and we really appreciate your help. **The busiest time where help is needed the most is from 9:30-11:30 am . Please sign up now!**

Here is the link to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0544adac2ba1f58-american>

## **Family Support Organization - Volunteer Opportunities**

Dear Parents,

The school year is moving at a rapid pace! We have a few things coming up and we would love your help!

### **1- Staff Meals for Parent Teacher Conferences!**

Thank you so much to the many volunteers who took the time to prepare and bring meals for our Staff members during Parent Teacher Conference times. Your show of kindness was greatly appreciated by all. It was a super boost to long hours. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

**2- Veterans Day Assembly** - On Thursday, November 8th at 9:00 a.m. and again at 12:00 pm, we will be having our WONDERFUL Veterans Day assemblies! We need parents to help on the Veterans Day Committee! If you would like to help plan this event and be there that day to welcome our guests and help the event run smoothly, please contact Mr. McVicar and Mrs. Adamson by emailing them! [kmcvicar@apamail.org](mailto:kmcvicar@apamail.org) and [cadamson@apamail.org](mailto:cadamson@apamail.org).

As always we appreciate all of our volunteers and the time and energy they put into our school. Don't forget to turn in all of your volunteers hours!

**\*If you have volunteer hours, please record them on your weekly communication envelope or email your hours to [volunteerdraper2@apamail.org](mailto:volunteerdraper2@apamail.org)**

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## **\*Holiday Boutique**

**HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** APA's 3rd annual Holiday Boutique is scheduled for Friday, November 16 and Saturday, November 17, and we are in need of many volunteers. Are you a photographer? Professional photographers aren't necessary, but if you have experience and can take family photos or photos with Santa, we need you! We have backdrops that are being donated, but we still need chairs and decorations for Santa and Mrs. Claus. If this is something that you can do, we would love your help! Your time will go towards your required 20 volunteer hours. Additionally, we need many more volunteers to make this a successful event. Please go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d49abae2fa5fd0-2018> to sign up.

**ARTISTS WANTED!** November 6 is the deadline for your young artists' artwork submissions to our Holiday Boutique Art Gallery. The theme is "Deck the Halls," and we will display their artwork that centers around this theme, in addition to any other artwork they would like to submit. As a reminder, this is something that they will do on their own, outside of art class. We look forward to seeing the talents and creativity of our APA students! Please direct any questions to [apadraper2events@gmail.com](mailto:apadraper2events@gmail.com).

**HOLIDAY GIFT WORKSHOP:** Our weekly Holiday Gift Workshop begins Tuesday, November 13. The cost is \$10 per week for the 1st child and just \$5 per additional child. Register your child(ren) for all 4 weeks and receive a 20% discount. We will meet from 3:30 to 4:30 each Tuesday, making holiday gifts for parents and loved ones. Registration and payment must be received no later than the day before each workshop (Monday). Please email [apadraper2events@gmail.com](mailto:apadraper2events@gmail.com) with questions. A registration form was attached to your child's Learning Plan this week.

## **Character Development**

by Mandy Brown

It has been an AWESOME week on campus during our annual college week! We have learned about starting good habits now in elementary school to help us look forward to a bright future, including college! We've talked to your students about what they can do NOW... ask questions, be curious, try new things, make mistakes, work hard, play and grow, figure out what they are good at and what makes them happy. LATER, they can determine what their "dreams" in life are and they can match the right to college (or other option) to help them turn those "dreams" into REALITIES!

We also held our FIRST EVER COLLEGE FAIR at Draper 2, and it was a roaring success! THANK YOU to our volunteer **parents, spouses** of our staff members, and even a **grandparent** who came in to share their enthusiasm for their careers and college days. PLEASE ask your students what they learned at our college fair!

A **\*\*HUGE\*\*** thank you to our incredible teachers, administration and staff for their support.



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## **Sports**

### **High School Fall Sports Wrap up!**

Since we are a K-12 campus, we would like to give you an update on some of the success of our H.S. Fall sports teams. Our High School teams have wrapped up the Fall seasons and we are getting ready for the Winter season! **Our girls soccer team** finished 5th in the State and we were so close to finishing higher. We lost to Millard in the State tournament 1-2 and felt we really could have won. We have one Senior that we will miss next year, Abigail Hansen. The rest of the team should be back and we should be even better next year.

**Our Girls Volleyball team** went to State for the 2nd consecutive year. We keep making progress and have everyone coming back (no Seniors) for next year. With some off-season work we feel this team will be able to compete both for a Region title and then make some noise in State!