



# AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

August 23rd, 2019

Draper 2



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, August 27th	Zupas Night - First FSO community fundraiser event 75 E. 12300 So. Draper UT 84020, 5:00-9:00 pm
Thursday, August 29th	5th grade FriendSHIP Ambassador event, 12:30-3:00 pm All 5th grade students are required to attend.
<b>Monday, September 2nd</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL!! LABOR DAY</b>
Thursday, September 5th	AST Training, 8:30 am, D-2 Multi-purpose room
Thursday, September 5th	Parent Empowerment Meeting 6:30-7:30 pm and 8:00-9:00 pm, D-3 Dance Room
Friday, September 6th	Spirit Wear Day
Thursday, September 12th	6th grade Take Flight Ambassador Event, 12:30 - 3:00 pm All 6th grade students are required to attend.
Friday, September 13th	Mid-term missing work deadline
Friday, September 13th	Fall Festival, 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Mon., Sept. 23rd - Fri., Sept. 27th	College Week
Wednesday, September 25th	Picture Day -Classes will be assigned later
Thursday, September 26th	Picture Day - Classes will be assigned later
Friday, September 27th	College Fair, 10:45 am - 3:15 pm

*For updates, additional event information, and athletic events, please visit our campus website below:*

<https://draper2.americanprep.org/>

**Do you have volunteer hours to report? Go to [volunteerdraper2@apamail.org](mailto:volunteerdraper2@apamail.org) and report them. Thank you for ALL of your help.**



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## **Be a Builder**

The father of our founding family had his children memorize poetry. Memorizing poetry is good for the brain as well as the heart. We have adopted a poem that defines the culture of our school. This poem clarifies what we strive to be in our families, schools and community.

### **Builders**

by Anonymous and Howard Headlee

I saw them tearing a building down,  
A gang of men in a busy town.

With a 'yo heave ho' and a lusty yell,  
They swung a beam and the sidewall fell.

I asked the foreman if these men were as skilled  
As those he would hire if he were to build.

He laughed and said, "Oh, no indeed,  
Common labor is all I need,

For they can wreck in a day or two,  
What builders have taken years to do."

So I asked myself, as I went my way,  
Which of these roles am I to play?

Am I the builder, who works with care,  
Measuring life by the rule and square;

Or am I the wrecker who walks the town,  
Content in the role of tearing down?

I've made my decision; I'll start today,  
I'll be a builder in every way!

## **From the Academic Office**

### **School Start Time**

Beginning Monday, August 26th, your student(s) MUST be in their seats, ready to learn by 8:05 am or they will be marked tardy.

### **Academic Update: Classroom Management**

Adapted from: <http://www.dailyteachingtools.com/champs-classroom-management.html>

#### **Q: What are the classroom management procedures in my student's classroom?**

A: CHAMPS is the proactive and positive approach to classroom management implemented in each and every classroom at APA.

#### **Q: How does CHAMPS work?**

A: The students are taught to meet expectations by detailing each classroom activity and transition using the CHAMPS acronym. Here is the CHAMPS acronym along with questions explaining the purpose of each letter in the acronym.



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**Conversation:** Can students converse during this activity? About what? With whom? For how long?

**Help:** How do students get your attention for help? How do students get questions answered? What should they do while they wait for the teacher?

**Activity:** What is the expected end product of this activity? What is the task or objective?

**Movement:** For what reasons can students get out of their seats during this activity? Do they need permission to do so?

**Participation:** What behavior shows that students are participating or not participating?

**Success:** When CHAMPS expectations are met, students will be successful.

**For example: Here are the CHAMPS expectations for Teacher Directed Instruction:**

C – none

H – no questions during direct instruction

A – listening and learning

M – none

P – look at the teacher or book; verbal and written responses when prompted; track when requested; follow directions immediately

**Q: What are the benefits of CHAMPS?**

A: Teachers establish clear expectations with logical and fair responses to misbehavior, thus reducing student anxiety about expectations.

Teachers have tools to motivate students to do their best.

Students are taught how to behave responsibly and establish respectful and civil interactions.

Each classroom is safe and welcoming.

Student on-task behavior increases and results in higher rates of student achievement.

## **From the Administrative Office**

### **Drop-Off**

Due to the volume of traffic on Lone Peak Parkway, we do not allow left turns on Lone Peak Parkway from 7:30-8:00 am. If traveling from the south during these times, please use the light at the car dealerships or Wal-Mart to turn around. DO NOT use the neighborhood or the other businesses on the east side of Lone Peak Parkway. We have received numerous complaints this past week. Traffic is much better the earlier one can arrive at our campus. Adjusting your morning routine to arrive earlier in the drop-off will help you avoid the traffic congestion on Lone Peak Parkway.

### **Pick-Up**

Please come at your designated pick-up time and not one second earlier. To make our pick up process work, requires that everyone arrives at their designated times. Please do not use the neighborhood or Fire Lane to wait. A best practice is to wait at the Wal-Mart parking lot until your designated time and then pull out onto Lone peak Parkway. Predicting traffic is not easy, so to be the safest, please wait until your designated pick-up time before pulling onto Lone Peak Parkway. Thank you for your cooperation.



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## **From our Family School Organization (FSO)**

We would like to welcome everyone back to school! We are excited for the upcoming school year. Here is what's coming up in the next month:

Fall Festival is on September 13th from 6-8. If you haven't gotten your wristbands yet, you can purchase them online at the link below or an envelope will come home next Friday with your children for you to send in cash or checks. We will also be sending out volunteer opportunities in the near future.

<https://www.americanprepfoundation.org/donate/>

Right now we have 16 teachers who have had an awesome parent sign up to be their AST. If your teacher is still looking for an AST ( Academic Support Team ) please consider signing up. AST's are a crucial part of the volunteer system at APA. We are all grateful to the parents willing to help in this capacity.

Last but not least, next Tuesday, August 27, from 5:00-9:00 pm, we are doing a Zupas's fundraiser night to help raise money for our classroom libraries. This will be held at the Zupa's in Draper. If you don't want to wait in line, please see the attached flyer to order online. This is a great option that they just added this year.

<https://draper2.americanprep.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2019/08/APA-.pdf>

Have questions? We'd love to hear from you! [Draper2FSO@apamail.org](mailto:Draper2FSO@apamail.org) or [nharman@apamail.org](mailto:nharman@apamail.org)

## **Birthday Treats**

One of the policies developed after receiving feedback from our parents is to not have any food items distributed to classmates for a student's birthday. There are many reasons this policy was developed: different allergies, individual health choices and the pressure of accepting and eating a treat that wouldn't be allowed in that student's household. We know that this policy is different than many other schools and requires one to think differently about the traditional treats brought into a classroom for a student's birthday. Please find other non-food items to share with classmates on birthdays and then coordinate with your child's classroom teacher.

## **School Lunch**

As a reminder, we do have a school lunch program that allows you to order a lunch for your student. All lunches are prepared by an outside vendor and delivered and served cold. Lunches must be pre-ordered at least 48 hours in advance.

You may order lunch, apply for free or reduced price lunch, and find all nutritional information here:

<https://www.americanprep.org/school-lunch-program/>

If students arrive without a lunch, we will have them call home. If we are not able to reach you, we will serve them an emergency lunch and you are responsible to make the payment (\$3.00 grades K-5, \$3.30 grade 6). If your student has eating restrictions and you would not want us to serve them an emergency lunch, please contact [ekim@apamail.org](mailto:ekim@apamail.org) or [lmarcotte@apamail.org](mailto:lmarcotte@apamail.org).

If you have questions or concerns, please email [lunch@apamail.org](mailto:lunch@apamail.org) or see Mrs. Kim or Mrs. Marcotte in the Multipurpose room kitchen from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm.



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Please **DO NOT** send any lunch items with **RED** dye in them with your students. Red dye stains the carpets.

## **Character Development Corner**

by Mandy Brown

Welcome back! We are so excited for the year ahead. Here are 4 items to be aware of:

1. Ask your student about the Lunch Time Chat video that they should have seen during "chew time" at lunch. (\*\*all students will have seen the video by AUGUST 30th)  
Our theme is "One Brick at a Time". What are we talking about? See what your students can tell you! I will give you more info on that next week.

2. **Our COLLEGE FAIR is coming up on September 27th** and we would LOVE parent volunteers to come give us an hour (or more) of their time! Contact me with any questions. Mandy Brown  
mandy.brown@apamail.org Our sign-up link will be out in our next newsletter.

3. **Sixth Grade parents... save the date... September 12th** is our first Character Development event for the year. It goes from 12:30 until 3:00. If you want to volunteer, here is the link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0444AFAE29ABFC1-take>

4. **Fifth Grade parents.... OUR FIRST EVENT IS NEXT WEEK!** August 29th, 12:30-3:00. Be aware that you'll need to pick up your students at the very end of our carpool window that day. And if you would like to volunteer, we'd LOVE to have you!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0444afae29abfc1-first2>

## **After School Activities**

We are still working on finalizing our after-school activity schedule. This is the current schedule of activities:

**Monday**-Chess/Math Club alternating every week, Grades 1-6

Beginning Robotics, Grades K-3

**Tuesday**-Lego Club-Grades K-6

Debate Club-Grades 5-6

**Wednesday**-Art Class-Grades 1-6

Robotics Advanced, Grades 3-6

**Thursday**- Robotics Beginning, Grades 2-4

Drama Club-Grades 3-6

Please fill out the Google Form to indicate your interest in the above listed clubs and to volunteer.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScpU\\_eO6gkYROC8QgGASAU5NF-hOcgFI\\_lchz6nvSljuNw-ow/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScpU_eO6gkYROC8QgGASAU5NF-hOcgFI_lchz6nvSljuNw-ow/viewform?usp=sf_link)

## **Draper Clean Air Initiative**

Draper City has an initiative to help keep our air cleaner by reducing idling of cars. Please go "Idle Free" whenever parked. Please click on the link for more information and become "idle free".



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<https://draper2.americanprep.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2019/08/Clear-Air-Initiative.pdf>

## **Vehicle Registration**

If you haven't already registered your vehicle, please click on the following link:

<https://draper2.americanprep.org/transportation/>

## **American Preparatory Education Foundation**

By Michelle Goudge, Executive Director

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It was so great to talk with so many of you at the Meet & Greet last week and at Parent Orientation on Tuesday night. I am really excited to be in this role and I'm looking forward to sharing more with you about the Foundation this year.

If you're not familiar with APEF and what we do, you can learn about it by going to [www.americanprepfoundation.org](http://www.americanprepfoundation.org). While you are there, please check out the information about our Builder's Club and how you can become a member. WE have so many amazing teachers at APA, and becoming a Builder's Club member helps us to remain competitive with compensation and retain those teachers.

Corporate matching gifts are a type of philanthropy in which companies financially match donations that their employees make to nonprofit organizations. 78% of match-eligible donors have no idea whether their company offers a matching gift program. Do you know if your company offers one? As a nonprofit, APEF can benefit greatly from these matching programs. Please consider speaking with your employer about this. Your donations to APEF can potentially be doubled, tripled or even quadrupled with a matching gift from your company.

Plans are underway for our 4th annual Holiday Boutique fundraiser which will be held November 8th and 9th. We need many volunteers to make this event a success. If you are interested in joining the Holiday Boutique committee, please join us on Wednesday, August 28th at 1:30 pm for our first meeting in the Draper 2 conference room. We need volunteers who can help with advertising, vendor solicitation, decorations, activities and so much more. There are volunteer opportunities for the days of the event as well as the planning of it, and many that can be done from home.

If you have fundraising ideas, please feel free to reach out to me. I would love to hear your ideas.

## **"Pornography is Changing" Event**

For our first Parent Empowerment night of the school year, APA will be hosting a "Pornography is Changing" event on Thursday, September 5th. In order to accommodate more parents, there will be two sessions offered, one from 6:30-7:30 P.M. and another from 8:00-9:00 P.M. The event will take place in the Draper 3 Multipurpose Room, on the 3rd floor of the building. This presentation will help us all to understand what our children are being exposed to, how they are being affected, and how to best protect them! Additionally, a five-week course, regarding talking to your kids about sex at every stage of their



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life, will be offered for any interested parents. Come join us for an enlightening and hope-giving event. Please see the attached flyer for additional information.

## **Extra Curricular Events!!**

### **Cross Country**

6th grade runners are invited to join the junior high cross country team. Practices take place after school every day that we do not have a meet. On Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays practices will be held immediately after school at Wheadon Farms Park in Draper. Parents will need to drop off students there and may pick up between 4:30 and 4:45 Mondays (3:30 and 3:45 Wednesdays and Thursdays). Tuesday and Friday practices will take place at Draper 3 and finish between 4 and 4:15. Races are 2 miles long. Cost is \$30 paid to Mrs. Hammond at the junior high office of Draper 3. Contact Coach Stewart [jstewart@apamail.org](mailto:jstewart@apamail.org) with any questions.

### **Drama Club**

Meeting on Thursdays, the Drama Club is for students that are interested in acting and drama performance. Please see the attached flyer for details.

<https://draper2.americanprep.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2019/08/Want-to-ACT-1.pdf>

### **Disclosure Statements**

Please review the disclosure statements for Art, Music, and Physical Education, then complete the form to acknowledge you understand them. Thank you!

<https://draper2.americanprep.org/disclosure-statements/>

### **Bus Program Update**

All of our bus routes are currently full. However, we are accepting registrations for those who wish to be on the waiting list. Follow the link below for more information and to register.

<https://www.americanprep.org/bus-program/>