



AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

December 06, 2019

Draper 2

Upcoming Events



Mon, Dec 2 - Wed, Dec 18

Monday, December 9

Tuesday, December 10

Wednesday, December 11

Thursday, December 12

Friday, December 13

Thursday, December 19

Friday, December 20

We CAN Donation Drive

Reading University Term 2 Deadline

School Geography Bee (grades 4-6), 1:00 pm

6th Grade Band & Orchestra Concert & Science Fair

6th Grade Beach Bash Ambassador event

Term 2 Missing Work Deadline

Look on Learning plan for jeans sticker

Jeans Day for no #7's (unprepared)

For updates and additional information, please visit our campus website:

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

Report volunteer hours via email: volunteerdraper2@apamail.org



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December Builders Theme

I am a builder when I look for ways to serve others. Kigatsuku.

Kigatsuku is a Japanese word meaning “an inner spirit to act without being told what to do,” or in other words, “see a need, meet a need.” It’s simple - we don’t need to go out of our way, we don’t need to schedule it, and we don’t need to travel to other countries. We only need to look around us and see how we can help the person right in front of us.

Opportunities for kigatsuku are everywhere – at school, at home, in the grocery store, and yes, even on the roads!

There is something so deeply rewarding about this builders theme as we watch your children fall into the rhythm of kigatsuku. Imagine the energy and influence of an entire community of kigatsuku as we work toward something better than just ourselves. Imagine doing it without reward or compensation. Imagine what we could accomplish if we did the simplest thing- see a need, meet a need.

From the Academic Office

RISE Interim Testing - December 6 - 10

Students at American Prep are assessed throughout the year in both homeroom classes and achievement-leveled groups. At the end of the year, two kinds of assessments are given: assessments that are required by the state of Utah and assessments that are required by American Prep to make sure that students have reached the academic levels needed to be promoted to the next grade.

The state of Utah requires students grades 3-6 to take the RISE test. These are computer adaptive tests that are based on the common core standards that Utah has adopted. This year to give our students extra practice they will be taking Interim tests in the month of December. These tests will let our teachers know what standards the students need to focus on in order to be successful on the end of year assessments.

Each grade (3rd - 6th) has been assigned a testing day. Please make sure that during these important days your students are getting to sleep early so they are well rested and that each morning they are getting a good breakfast.

Feel free to practice and learn about these tests with your students at home. Practice tests and more information are available online at:

<https://utahrise.org/training-tests.stml>

- Monday, December 9 4th grade RISE Interim Testing
- Tuesday, December 10 3rd grade RISE Interim Testing



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Upcoming Event Details

Lego Club - November 26 to December 17

LEGO club is canceled until after the winter break. We will resume in January.

We CAN Donation Drive - December 2 - 18



We CAN Care! Did you know that 1 in 5 Utah kids are unsure where their next meal will come from? Food insecurity is a reality for 423,000 of our neighbors. We can help by donating nutritious food for children and their families.

Our donation drive is now in full swing! We accept CANS, boxes, or plastic-packaged food items. Your students can drop off donations in their elementary homerooms.

We introduced your students to the food bank during our kick-off assembly. We invite you to visit this link to watch a short video highlighting the great programs sponsored by the Utah Food Bank. Learn where your food donations will go and meet the people they will help! Thank you for your generosity!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MM5ERWgZsQ&feature=youtu.be>

School Geography Bee - Grades 4-6 - December 10

Winners of the classroom geography bees in grades 4-6 will compete in a school geography bee on December 10 at 1:00 pm.

Three parent volunteers are needed to run our Geography Bee, please use the sign up to below come in and help us out. You will get to see a wonderful program too!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050844A8AC22A7FD0-geography>



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6th Grade Band and Orchestra Concert & Science Fair - December 11

The science fair begins at 5:30 pm. Student displays will be available until the concert is over. Science fair winners will be announced at the end of the concern. ALL students should take their triboard home at the end of the event.

The concert begins at 7:00 pm. Students need to be in the gym (band) or multipurpose room (orchestra) at 6:15 pm.

Student dress for this event is the Monday through Thursday uniform.

6th Grade Beach Bash Ambassador Event - December 12

6th Grade students have a BEACH BASH event coming up next week, and we'd love to have parent volunteers!

Thursday December 12th 12:30 to 3:00 SIXTH GRADE

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0444AFAE29ABFC1-beach3>

From the Administrative Office

Sibling Enrollment

One of the first steps in our enrollment process is identifying siblings of currently enrolled students. Do you have a sibling of a student already enrolled here at APA, and you would like them to attend APA next year? Or, would you like to transfer to another APA campus? Please email Ms. Hickman lhickman@apamail.org to ask for the link. Ms. Hickman will gladly send you the link to register siblings or make a transfer.

Substitute Teachers Needed

We are looking for APA parents to become substitute teachers for our schools! We provide all training, and the pay is \$80-90 per day. This is a great time of year to become a substitute teacher - save up for those holiday plans in advance. We provide in-depth, paid training so you will feel comfortable in your duties. **APA is a FUN place to work! We'd love to have you on our team!**

Maybe you can only commit to one day per week - that would be fine with us! Or, work every day - whatever suits your schedule! We need substitute teachers every day and we would really appreciate your help. Also, please tell your family members and friends about this opportunity!

Apply online today! <https://www.americanprep.org/careers/>



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Spirit Wear

It's getting cold outside. Keep your little loved ones warm this winter season with a FREE BEANIE with any American Preparatory Apparel purchase of \$25 or more. This fleece lined, rib knit beanie is a winter must have, and fits all sizes. Visit www.americanprep.org and click on "store" to shop. Campus delivery is available. ***WHILE SUPPLIES LAST. Purchase must be made on a single transaction online. Tax and Shipping not included in qualifying total.***. Get yours today!"

Drop off/Pick up

For the increased safety and security of our building we will be asking parents to sign in starting at 7:45 am. Any parents wanting to take their students to a classroom will be required to check in and out. Parents do not need to check in to attend a morning assembly.

Thank you to all the families who are being kind, courteous, and following our drop off and pick up protocols. Recently, we have received some complaints from our neighbors regarding dangerous situations happening on Lone Peak Parkway. Please stay in ONE line only and keep all intersections clear when traffic backs up. There have been some dangerous incidents and close calls when cars try to go around and into the middle turn lane instead of waiting in ONE line until the intersection clears. And as always please do not turn left on Lone peak during our peak drop off and pick up times.

Parent Managers Needed for Clubs

Starting in January, all our clubs will have at least one Parent Manager who has had a background check and receives a small stipend to manage the club. We anticipate needing four Parent Managers to run the Chess/Math Club and the Lego Club. If you are available and interested in helping, please contact Mr. McVicar (kmcvicar@apamail.org).

Carpool Connection

A family with 2 kids needs carpool for the pick up in the afternoons. We live on 3800 W and 10600 S in South Jordan(this is not the exact address). I can offer carpool for the morning drop off.

Phone # 603-233-3519 and my email address is Vaishalibhagat@gmail.com



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Character Development Corner - Mandy Brown

Yesterday our 5th grade students were able to visit the “beach” at our Beach Bash event! Students were able to master skills such as proper cutting techniques, finding ways to be positive, and the art of creating good conversation. Students also took a “Dive for Success” and learned how important it is to dress right, speak right, and act right in all situations throughout their lives. Thank you to our amazing parent volunteers that came and helped us. We could not run a successful program without you!

Do you have any inspiring stories to share of your kids doing service at school or in the community? We'd love to feature them on our Builder Bulletin Boards! Please email Mandy Brown with pictures and stories to share of our giving students! mandy.brown@apamail.org

From our Family School Organization (FSO) - Nicole Harman

Preparation for this year's staff appreciation week is underway. We are looking for three people to be on our committee to help plan and execute staff appreciation week. This week is so much fun to be a part of! Whether you're creative, super organized, like to be involved or a great planner we need you! If this is something you are interested in being a part of, please send an email to Draper2FSO@apamail.org or nharman@apamail.org.



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American Preparatory Education Foundation



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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

As a small token of our thanks, Friends of APA is sponsoring a hot chocolate bar for the staff at each of our campuses. It will be held at the Draper 2 campus on Thursday, December 12. We would appreciate the assistance of parent volunteers to help with set up, greeting the staff, replenishing the supplies, and clean up. Please go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050548a5ab2ea7f49-d2hotchocolate> to sign up to help. Thank you!

HOLIDAY GIVING CAMPAIGN

Let APA shop for you! This year our Holiday Giving Campaign gives you the opportunity to purchase points that teachers and staff members can exchange for gifts. They will be able to pool their points to “purchase” gifts of their choosing, selected from a catalog of items that include household goods like Instant Pots and kitchen gadgets, movie theater gift packages, jewelry, and spirit wear, among many others.

The Holiday Gift Campaign is similar to Chuck E. Cheese or Dave & Busters. You buy the tickets (points) for the teachers, and they get to choose from one of the prizes in that category. The best part is that teachers can bank their smaller vouchers to buy bigger gifts. So if a teacher gets four 25 point vouchers, they can pick a 100 point prize! Go to <https://www.americanprepfoundation.org/draper-2> to purchase your points.

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