



AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

February 28, 2020

Draper 2

Upcoming Events



Thursday, March 5	12:15/13:30/12:45 dismissal - Parent Teacher Conferences
Thursday, March 5	PM-Kindergarten students attend 8:05 - 12:15 pm
Thursday, March 5	Look for jeans sticker on Learning Plan
Friday, March 6	12:15/13:30/12:45 dismissal - Parent Teacher Conferences
Friday, March 6	AM-Kindergarten students attend 8:05 - 12:15 pm
Friday, March 6	Jeans Day for no #2's (Uniform) & #7's (unprepared)
Friday, March 6	Mid-term missing work deadline
Friday, March 6	Spirit Wear Day

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

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

Report volunteer hours via email: volunteerdraper2@apamail.org

Check out the lost and found items posted here:

<https://draper2.americanprep.org/lost-and-found/>



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February Builders Theme - I am a builder when I befriend others.

Have you ever read the book “Wonder” by R.J. Palacio? If not, you might consider doing so - it is wonderful! :-) In it, the main character, Auggie, was born with a very rare birth defect that left his face looking different from other people. As a result, all his life, he was either ignored or worse, teased. It wasn’t surprising, then, when this also happened to him at his new school. One day, while Auggie was feeling particularly lonely, a kind girl decided to take a stand and become a true friend to him. Her name was Summer Dawson. By caring more about the kind of person Auggie was, instead of the way he looked, Summer showed kindness, and also gained a best friend. I hope we can all be like Summer and find someone to befriend, regardless of our differences!

Academic Update - Lindsay Campbell

School Olympics

During Term 4 our elementary students participate in the APA Olympics. The students are judged in their homerooms in these categories: Choral Responding, Class Lines, Lunch Behavior, Participation, Learning Positions, Attendance, and Cleanliness. Each category is judged out of 10 points and the students are given scores weekly. At our weekly assemblies the top 3 winners in each category will be displayed. This is a fun event to motivate our students as we are getting close to the end of the school year!

Encourage your students to GO FOR THE GOLD!

Important Announcement - End of Year Testing

End of year assessments are upon us! 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 for promotion to the next grade.

State Required Tests - 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. Students will be tested in Math, Language Arts, and Science; 5th grade students will also take a writing test. These tests are given to students in grades 3-6 from **April 13th- May 15th**. Please make sure your students are in attendance these days.



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School Required Tests - All American Preparatory Academy students grades 1-6 will also take the Core Knowledge Tests. These are paper based tests on curriculum that students learned throughout the year. Students will be tested in History, Science, Language Arts, and Math. To study for these tests, have your students review their “What Every ___ Grader Needs to Know” book. These tests will be taken from **May 4th - May 22nd**. The Core Knowledge Test results are NOT reported to any outside source and are only used to ensure our teachers taught their required curriculum to mastery.

If time off from school must be taken after April 13 please talk to your students’ teachers about exact times and dates that the tests will be administered and what the plan will be to get these tests made up. **No absences during this time will be approved by administration.**

Please make sure your students get enough sleep each night and that they get a good breakfast each morning during these important weeks. These are a few things you can do at home to help your students be successful.

Upcoming Event Details

Early Dismissal days - March 5th and 6th

School will dismiss at 12:15 pm - Yellow and APA Bus ; 12:30 pm - Blue; and 12:45 pm - Red and Daycare Buses. Please make arrangements for your students to be picked up early on these days.

Kindergarten students will attend for the entire time listed above.

- PM Kindergarten attends Thursday, March 5th - follow the schedule listed above
- AM Kindergarten attends Friday, March 6th - Students with no siblings will be released at 11:50; all others follow the schedule above. Please confirm with your teacher if your student will ride an APA or Daycare bus.

Parent Teacher Conferences - March 5th and 6th

Please watch for a sign-up genius link in your email inbox to sign up for your Parent Teacher Conference with your student’s teacher(s). These conferences are mandatory and part of our goal to work as a team for your student(s). The teachers really enjoy talking to you about your student and their accomplishments, as well as their goals!



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From the Administrative Office

No More Boots!!

Boots are NO longer allowed for girls. Boots can be worn to school but will need to be changed for regular school shoes once Students arrive.

Re-enrollment Meetings for K-5th Grade Students

It's time to register your students to attend American Prep next year! We invite all our families to reconnect, recommit, and re-enroll!

Please mark your calendars for one of the following dates. All meetings are held at Draper 2 in the Multipurpose room, unless noted below.

- **Saturday, March 14 - 10:00 am**
 - Draper 3 campus Choir Rm
 - D3 has a meeting at 9 am
 - This meeting is convenient for those with students at both campuses
- **Monday, March 16 - 2:15 pm**
- **Tuesday, March 17 - 2:15 pm**
- **Tuesday, March 17 - 6:00 pm**
 - There is a D3 meeting at the same time, this is for D2-only families
- **Wednesday, March 18 - 12:15pm**
 - D2 Multipurpose Room
 - D3 has a meeting at 1:00 pm
 - This meeting is convenient for those with students at both campuses
- **Thursday, March 19 - 8:30 am**
- **Monday, March 23 - 2:15 pm**
- **Monday, March 23 - 6:30 pm**
- **Tuesday, March 24 - 6:30 pm**
- **Thursday, March 26 - 8:30 am**

Re-enrollment Meetings - 6th Grade

It's time for 6th grade students to enroll for 7th grade next year! Draper 3 is hosting their re-enrollment meetings on the following dates and times:

- Monday, March 9, 2020 at 7 PM in the D3 Multipurpose room
- Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at 8 AM in the D3 Multipurpose room
- Saturday, March 14, 2020 at 9 AM in the D3 Multipurpose room
- Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 6 PM in the D3 Multipurpose room
- Wednesday, March 18, 2020 at 8 AM in the D3 Multipurpose room
- Wednesday, March 18, 2020 at 1 PM in the D3 Multipurpose room

At least one parent must attend a meeting and complete the registration form to ensure a seat at Draper 3 next year.



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School Lunch Update

You can now order lunch until the end of the year! Please contact your school lunch workers if you need assistance - Mrs. Kim ekim@apamail.org and Mrs. Marcotte lmarcotte@apamail.org. Link to order - <https://apalunch.h1.hotlunchonline.net/>

All About Activities

Chess Team

Congratulations to the following students who are members of our chess team. They took part in a chess tournament over the break and placed 5th! The beautiful trophy is in our lobby. Srinath Ramakrishnan (4th), Arka Pramanik (4th), Rajat Badiger (3rd), and Vyasraj Singeetham (2nd).

MathCounts Team

Our Draper MathCounts team will be going to State on March 7th!
Wilson St. Martin, 6th grade - Mrs. Burkholder's class, is a member of our team!
Congratulations MathCounts team and Wilson!!

Ballroom Dance

5th and 6th Grade Students - Come explore Ballroom Dance! We'll jive to the swing, we'll sway to the waltz, and we'll show off your hard work with an exciting routine as guest performers in the Ballroom Dance Company's end-of-year concert! (All boys who sign up will receive a king-size candy bar the first day of class!)

Parents - help your student develop coordination and rhythm, while also learning respect for others, focus, teamwork, and social confidence.

The clinic will run for 8 weeks: **Mondays from 3:30-4:15 pm in the D2 cafeteria**, beginning **Mar. 9th to May 4th** (no class Apr. 6th), with performances on **May 8th and 9th**. The \$70 fee includes 8 lessons and the costume rental for the shows. Pick up a flyer from the front office for more registration details.

Club Registrations

We have created a website page for all our club registrations.
<https://draper2.americanprep.org/activities/>



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Yoga Club

We still have some interest in hosting a Yoga Club on Wednesday afternoons. We need a parent volunteer who is experienced in yoga. If you are available and interested, please email Mrs. Peery (epeery@apamail.org)

FUN RUN 2020: Friday, May 15th - Jill Welch

Mark your calendars!

Friday, May 15th will be another epic and exciting Fun Run event!

We need a few more volunteers to complete our Fun Run Corporate Team. These volunteers will help with:

Sponsorships - Oversee sponsor activity (*solicit old and new sponsors, coordinate sponsorship recognition*)

Hero Week - Work with our hero week team a few hours a day (*4/27/2020 - 5/1/2020*) to help recognize and reward students.

Many hands make light(er) work. Can you lend a hand?

If so, email jwelch@apamail.org



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Character Development Corner - Mandy Brown

Befriending Others is an important life skill! Ask your child about our hero of the month, "Summer Dawson" from the book "Wonder" by R.J. Palacio and how she chose to be a true friend.

Upcoming Events

White Ribbon Week will be held March 23rd-27th

(SIGN UP for this event will be in next week's newsletter)

5th Grade Galaxy Quest will be WEDNESDAY April 1st

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0444afae29abfc1-beach2>

6th Grade Galaxy Quest will be THURSDAY April 2nd

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0444afae29abfc1-beach3>

Family School Organization (FSO) - Nicole Harman

Staff Appreciation week was a huge success and we could not have done it without the support of so many of you. Thank you to **Kathy Larabee** and **Whitney Kinder** for helping in the planning and execution of the many activities that went on during the week. Thank you to the many parents who spent hours decorating doors for the staff. The school looked amazing! Thank you, also, to all those who donated food and other items throughout the week. Your generosity was felt and truly appreciated!

Thank you to **Zoie Farmer** and **Gurleen Kaur** for your work on the spelling bee and CONGRATULATIONS to the winners!

Parent Teacher Conferences are coming up next week and we need your help to provide lunch for the staff Thursday, the 5th and Friday, the 6th. Please follow the links below to see how you can help. Thank you so much, the staff greatly appreciate these meals and we appreciate your support and generosity!

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

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050844A8AC22A7FD0-march1>



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Foundation Parent Committee

Thank you to those of you who have reached out to me about the Foundation's Parent Committee. I will be in touch with you soon. This committee will be involved in networking, planning, social, and fundraising activities. I am looking for members of the committee to be willing to share ideas and brainstorm with other committee members to come up with new ways to improve those already in place. If you have any questions or would like to be considered for this committee, please call or email me.

"Friends of APA" Note Card Art Contest Winner

Thank you to every student who submitted artwork for the Friends of APA Note Card Art Contest! I am so impressed with the talent that we have at our schools, and it was difficult to choose just one! I will be doing similar contests in the future, so please be sure to watch for more opportunities for your students to show off their artistic ability. Congratulations to the winning artist, Brookelyn Binks! Brookelyn is a 3rd grader in Mrs. Swaner's class at the Draper 1 campus. She will receive a \$25 gift certificate for the APA Apparel Store. You can see Brookelyn's winning artwork and all of the submissions at www.americanprepfoundation.org. Again, thank you to all the students who submitted their artwork - you should all be very proud!

APEF Board of Directors

We are wrapping up interviews for the remaining APEF Board of Directors positions in the next couple of weeks. If you have questions about the Board or would like to apply, please contact me. In the past we asked for Board members to be willing to fundraise. Please don't let that deter you from applying. Fundraising is not a requirement. We are looking for Board members who have a vested interest in APA, its values, and its mission.