



Upcoming Events

Monday, Sept. 28	Reading University Deadline	
Tuesday, Sept. 29	Land Trust Meeting	2:00 pm
Wednesday, Sept. 30	Spirit Wear Pop Up Sale	Outside during carpool
Friday, Oct. 2	Spirit Wear Friday	
Friday, Oct. 2	*Early* Dismissal	12:15/12:30/12:45 pm
Friday, Oct. 2	PM Kindergarten attending	
Saturday, Oct. 3	APEF Fall Boutique	10 am-6 pm/Soccer Field
Wed. Oct. 7	*Early* Dismissal	12:15/12:30/12:45 pm
Wed. Oct. 7	AM Kindergarten attending	
Fri. Oct. 9	1st - 3rd grade Field Trips	
Friday, October 9	Report cards come home	
Mon. Oct. 12 - Fri. Oct. 16	NO SCHOOL - FALL BREAK	
Thurs. Oct. 22	Picture Retake day	
Thurs. Oct. 29	Early Dismissal - PM Kindergarten	12:15/12:30/12:45 pm
Fri. Oct. 30	NO SCHOOL - Parent Teacher Conferences	

2020-2021 School Land Trust Program - September 29

“The School LAND Trust program brings tens of millions of dollars annually to academic programs in public schools across Utah. The funds are generated from school trust lands. Each public school in Utah elects a school community council consisting of parents, teachers, and the principal. Charter Schools have Trust Lands Councils. Each council carefully reviews student assessments and progress to decide which academic areas they want to focus on. Plans are developed to improve student academic performance in the identified academic areas with the annual School LAND Trust funds. The plans are approved by the council, submitted on this website, and approved by the local school board or chartering entity.” www.schoollandtrust.org.

Your Land Trust Committee Members for the 2020-21 SY are:

- Zoie Farmer
- Verdun Hartin
- Laquisha Shelton
- Gwendolyn Hortin
- Nichole Hanna
- Alisha Staggs
- Santhosh Naidu
- Shari Harris
- Kevin McVicar/Emily Peery - D2 Director
- Angie Lawrence - D2 Director

Our next Draper 2 Land Trust Committee Member Meeting will be held at Draper 2 & virtually on September 29, 2020, at 2:00 PM. Parents and the public are welcome to attend.

Spirit Wear Pop Up Sale - September 30

Spirit Wear Friday is the first Friday of every month! Our Spirit Wear Store will be outside during drop off and pick up so you can conveniently purchase clothing for your students! Park in visitor parking (A/B curbs - use the row in front of the school, C/D curbs - park along the sheep field). Any items not in stock will be delivered to your student on Thursday, October 1st.

Early Dismissal - October 2 (Grading Day)

- PM Kindergarten students attend
- Yellow 12:15 pm
- Blue 12:30 pm
- Red 12:45 pm
- Buses will leave at 12:25 pm and arrive 3 hours earlier than usual. Bus schedules are posted here - <https://www.americanprep.org/bus-program/>
- Day Care Buses - please contact your provider to confirm arrangements

APEF Fall Boutique - October 3

Our 5th Annual boutique fundraiser is this Saturday, October 3 from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm on the soccer field between the Draper 2 and Draper 3 campuses. This year we are raising funds for APA's Builders Club, our teacher and staff appreciation fund. We still have room for vendors and student entrepreneurs. We will have a children's costume parade at 1:00 pm, fall backdrops for you to take photos, food trucks, local vendors and artisans, and kids can decorate a pumpkin for free.

We need volunteers to help the day of the event and we're looking for donations of pumpkins. If you are able to sign up for either of these please go to this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050548A5AB2EA7F49-apa5th>

For more information and to fill out an application for you or your student entrepreneur, please go to www.apaboutique.org. We hope that you can join us!

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Early Dismissal - October 7 (Off Campus Preparation Day)

- AM Kindergarten students attend
- Purple 11:50 am - AM Kindergarten students without siblings
- Yellow 12:15 pm
- Blue 12:30 pm
- Red 12:45 pm
- Buses will leave at 12:25 pm and arrive 3 hours earlier than usual. Bus schedules are posted here - <https://www.americanprep.org/bus-program/>
- Day Care Buses - please contact your provider to confirm arrangements

1st - 3rd Grade Field Trips - October 9

We do not serve school lunch during off campus field trips. However, some field trips will be held at school due to COVID restrictions. Those not leaving campus can pre-order school lunches.

September Builders Theme - I am a Builder when I build with Enthusiasm

September has been a great month at American Prep! Our students and teachers are the embodiment of our Builders Theme – Building with enthusiasm. Thank you to our great parents who are

also enthusiastically supporting your children, assisting them to complete their homework, ensuring they are prepared for school each day!

You may wonder why enthusiasm is so important to us at American Prep – well, in our Parent Student Handbook you will find the following is one of our Foundations:

“Enthusiasm: Enthusiasm propels one on to greater effort. Enthusiasm makes work enjoyable and provides encouragement for others to put forth increased effort. It is the responsibility of every member of the American Prep community to bring enthusiasm to their work and to their associations at school.”

So you can see, we understand that enthusiasm is a key component to our success as a school, and more importantly the success of your student! We commit as staff members to bring enthusiasm to our work each day with your students, because we know it will result in higher effort being put forth by your child, and greater success! We appreciate our parents so much who also bring enthusiasm to us in our interactions and help us put forth our best efforts!

From the Academic Office

Geography Bee

National Geographic just announced that they have cancelled the National Geography Bee for the 20/21 school year. They will take this time to talk to students, educators, and community members, and determine how to adapt and innovate in ways that engage even more young people about the power of geography. They will announce in the fall of 2021 what this geography opportunity will look like for 2022.

For more information please go to the following link:

<https://www.nationalgeographic.org/education/student-experiences/geobee/>

From the Administrative Office

Field Trip Photos Needed

CALLING ALL PARENTS! Did you accompany your 4th - 6th grader on their INCREDIBLE field trip last week? If so, I'd love to include your pictures of the event in our yearbook! Please email them to me at mcarman@apamail.org

School Lunch Information

This is a reminder to order meals for next month. <https://apalunch.h1.hotlunchonline.net/>

All orders must be placed 48 hours in advance - if you want your student to have lunch on Thursday, October 1st **please order by Tuesday, September 30th.**

Thanks to a USDA free meal waiver, American Preparatory Academy will begin offering lunch at no cost to all enrolled students every campus. Free meals must be pre-ordered, and are available from Tuesday, September 15th until December 31st, or until funding runs out. All students are eligible, whether they are learning in the classroom, online or at home.

If you need help ordering lunch please email lunch@apamail.org for assistance. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Box Tops App

Join us in earning cash for our school by using the Box Tops app.

Use this referral code YYD12JVB when you sign up and you'll get 50 Bonus Box Tops when you scan your first receipt! Download the Box Tops for Education app here:

https://btfе.smart.link/c2jdfkw?referral_code=YYD12JVB

Character Development

Save the Dates - October 23 (5th grade parents), November 13 (6th grade parents)

Our next ambassador events will be held on FRIDAYS and will be completely within the school day so that your child will be dismissed just like every other day, at regular carpool times!

- 5th grade's event will be Friday October 23rd.
- 6th grade's event will be Friday November 13th.

Sign up genius links to volunteer will be forthcoming in our newsletters. Thank you!

GIANT THANK YOU to our Volunteers!

We had our third annual college fair, and for the first time (to help with COVID safety) we had the event on TWO separate days. This was a huge success and the students loved participating. Thank you to our AMAZING parents who came and shared so much with us about their college experiences and careers. You are all ROCK STARS!!!

Tori Andersen, Andre Bennin, Joy Blakenship, Craig Brown (grandparent!), Marcus Brown, Michelle Goudge, Christian Harris, Jared Jorgensen, Puru Kamath, Aarti Nakra, Tanya Parke, and Lynette Toomalatai (and daughters!). You are AMAZING!

Professional Qualifications

Our parent surveys consistently express confidence and overwhelming satisfaction with our teachers at American Prep. Parents are welcome at any time to request information regarding the professional qualifications of the student's classroom teachers including: 1) whether the teacher has met State qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction or whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived; 2) the baccalaureate degree major of the teacher and any other graduate certification or degree held by the teacher, and the field of discipline of the certification or degree; and 3) whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.

District Parent Involvement Policy

At the conclusion of each school year, end-of-year assessment data is reported and organized into a Comprehensive Needs Assessment (CNA). The CNA includes demographic, attendance, and assessment data. Also included in the CNA are the results of the annual Parent Survey. This Survey evaluates, among other things, the satisfaction of parents with the quality of the academic program and their opportunities to participate in the schools. American Preparatory administrators annually invite select staff and parents from each school to participate in a District/School Planning Meeting. This Committee reviews the Comprehensive Needs Assessment and analyzes areas for potential improvement. District/School Plans are developed with goals, action steps, and budget relationships. District and School Parent Involvement Policies are evaluated for effectiveness. School, Parent, and Student Compacts are also examined by this Committee for recommended changes.

School Parent Involvement Policies

School Parent Involvement Policies vary slightly by campus and are located within the Parent-Student Handbooks. These Handbooks are distributed annually to parents and will soon be accessible on the APA website under the Parent Library drop-down tab. The Handbooks can also be accessed via this link: <https://www.americanprep.org/parent-student-handbooks/>.