



Upcoming Events

Wed. Oct. 7	*Early* Dismissal	12:15/12:30/12:45 pm
Wed. Oct. 7	AM Kindergarten attending	
Wed. Oct. 7	Special Event for Mr. McVicar	12:15 pm - 2:30 pm
Fri. Oct. 9	1st - 3rd grade Field Trips	
Friday, Oct. 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	

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

Special Event for Mr. McVicar - October 7

Mr. McVicar has an important announcement for our families - <https://youtu.be/C0VEk-fjLkw>. After 15+ years of service, he has taken a position at another company and this will be his last week as an administrator at Draper 2. Feel free to park and visit with Mr. McVicar outside (on the curb or at the playground), expressing your thanks and appreciation for all he has done for our community!

1st - 3rd Grade Field Trips - October 9

We do not serve school lunch during off campus field trips - 1st and 2nd grade students will need to bring a lunch from home. However, 3rd grade will be staying on campus, so those students can pre-order and receive school lunches.

Fall Break - October 12 to 16

Enjoy being with your students this week!

September Builders Theme - I am a Builder when I demonstrate integrity

I am a Builder when I demonstrate integrity. Integrity is that quality of doing what is right even when no one is watching. Our students are working on doing that this month. Sometimes what seems a very simple demonstration of integrity is very challenging for a child. The more often we name and notice a child's demonstration of integrity, the more often they are willing to try something more difficult. We are focusing on integrity this month, so please use this great opportunity to notice when your child has demonstrated integrity and tell them.

From the Academic Office

Veterans Day Essay Contest - due October 9

All 4th through 12th grade students are invited to participate in the annual Veterans Day essay contest. Winners will present their essay at our Veterans Day assembly. This is an amazing opportunity to participate in a long held APA tradition. This year our Veterans Day assembly will be broadcast on KSL live, so all your family and friends can join us! See the last page of this newsletter for more information.

Geography Bee Information

National Geographic has announced that the National Geography Bee for the 20/21 school year will be cancelled. 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 click here](#).

Character Development

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

Our next ambassador events will be held completely within the school day so that your child can 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!

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A giant THANK YOU to all those who participated in the Fall Boutique - thank you to our vendors and to the families who supported this event!



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Email mgoudge@americanprepfoundation.org with questions.

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From the Administrative Office

Math Kangaroo International Math Exam Information

Please register for the Math Kangaroo 2021 Competition. If you are new to Math Kangaroo please read some information about this wonderful international competition in mathematics: <http://www.mathkangaroo.us/mk/history.html>. This year we are unable to open our school for in the classroom registration but we still would like our students to compete. Please register for a virtual center offered by Math Kangaroo.

1. Go to: <https://mathkangaroo.oasis-lms.com/Public/Catalog/Home.aspx>.

2. Log in with your login and password or establish your user account if you are new.

3. In the search box type "virtual" and choose the state of the residence.

4. You are ready to register.

5. Math Kangaroo will email you the information about the exact competition timeline in the first week of March. It will be on or after March 18, 2021 and a few days will be assigned for each age group.

Once your child is registered, you can enjoy free Math Kangaroo video solutions and access MK full questions and solutions sets with 50% off. Instructions on how to find the discount code [HERE](#).

Important: After you receive the registration confirmation email from Math Kangaroo, review the email to make sure all information is accurate. If something needs correction, update the registration or email info@mathkangaroo.org.

Notifications

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/>.

12th Annual Student Essay Contest Honoring Veterans Day 2020

2 Topics for Selection

- Tribute to our nation's veterans, which may include:
 - Why I am grateful for our nation's veterans ...
 - I enjoy many freedoms because of our veterans ...
 - Ordinary citizens can honor a veteran by ...
- A tribute to a special veteran
 - If you have a relative or friend who you would like to write about, we welcome stories and pictures if you have them.

Essay Contest Rules

In order to be eligible for the essay contest, you must:

- Be a 4th – 12th grade student at American Preparatory Academy
- Write only one essay per person
- Write an original essay picking from the two topics above

Judging Criteria

Entries will be judged by APA Administration. Judging will include:

- Power of the message in the essay
- Clarity of thought
- Spelling, punctuation, and grammar
- Overall comprehension of the topic

Deadline: Friday, October 9th at 4:00 p.m., turned in to your teacher

This is a great opportunity to show appreciation to our veterans and a great way to showcase your writing talent!

Winners will receive school recognition and will be asked to present their essay at this year's Veterans Day Assembly.

BE A PART OF SOMETHING GREAT!!