



## Upcoming Events

- Monday, April 18 SAT & RISE Testing Begins
- Wednesday, April 21 Great American Shake Out
- Friday, April 22 Jeans Day
- Tuesday, April 26 4th - 6th Grade Field Trips
- Thursday, April 28 4th-6th March Builder assembly
- Friday, April 29 Mid-Term Missing Work Deadline
- Friday, April 29 5th Grade Civil War Reenactment
- Friday, April 29 Kindness Challenge Reward - see below
- Monday, May 2 Acadience Testing Begins
- Monday, May 2 Fun Run Incentive - Free dress (for those who earned it)
- Tuesday, May 3 Fun Run Incentive - Crazy hair/hat day (for those who earned it)
- Wednesday, May 4 Fun Run Incentive - Jeans Day (for those who earned it)
- Thursday, May 5 Fun Run Incentive - Spirit Wear or Fun Run T-shirt
- Thursday, May 5 Jeans Days for no #2 or #7 card moves
- Thursday, May 5 4th-6th Grade Builder Awards
- Friday, May 6 Kindergarten - 3rd grade Field Trips
- Saturday, May 6 Fun Run!
- Friday, May 27 Last Day of Kindergarten Attendance
- Monday, May 30 No School - Memorial Day
- Wednesday, June 1 Field Day - Early Dismissal 12:15pm/12:30pm/12:45pm
- Tuesday, June 2 Last Day of School - Early Dismissal 12:15pm/12:30pm/12:45pm

### **April Builder Theme: I am a builder when I use kind and courteous words.**

Have you ever thrown a rock or pebble into a pond or lake and noticed the little waves that ripple away from the center in circles? Courteous and encouraging words have that rippling effect on others that can result in good things. Mother Teresa said, "Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless." Echoes are like ripples; they go on and on. Take the time to be courteous and encouraging this week by honoring someone's accomplishment, expressing gratitude for something they say or do; offering a hug or a smile; or taking time to listen. One of my favorite examples of courtesy is having students hold the door open for me at school. Remember, courtesy and encouragement don't just enhance the lives of others; they create ripples in your life as well by strengthening your relationships, building trust, and spreading good cheer.

## **Annual Survey - 32% of Families Completed**

A big SHOUT OUT to all of the families who have spent time completing the annual APA survey! We realize it is time consuming, however we truly appreciate the feedback from our families and look forward to reviewing the results each year. As a reminder, there are two parts to our survey that will come in 2(+) emails from our survey platform Qualtrics. We are extended the deadline for families to complete this important survey as currently we are missing feedback from 68% of you.

The general survey only needs to be completed **ONCE per family, per campus**. The teacher survey needs to be completed **ONCE per student** so that we have feedback on each of your student's teachers. You will receive one email for the general survey for each campus you have students attending at. You will then receive the teacher survey for your student(s) at American Prep. **It's important to click the link in each email as the link is unique to your family and student.** Survey input and comments are anonymous, however, we will be tracking which families have submitted both surveys successfully.

We are looking for **100% participation** and are requesting your feedback.

Thanks for your continued support and commitment to our school and our desire for improvement. Again, we have extended the April 15th deadline to give families additional time as we are missing feedback from 68% of you.

## **Kindness Challenge**

What a wonderful year we have had in Character Development. Has your student told you about our kind and courteous words challenge? We are attempting to tally up 5000 "please" thank you" and "you're welcome" phrases from our amazing students SCHOOL WIDE this month. We are doing great so far. If we meet the challenge, EVERY student and staff member may wear a COLORED T SHIRT of choice on FRIDAY APRIL 29th to represent the rainbow of kind words that we've spread throughout the school. Check out our newsletter NEXT week to see if we've met the challenge! Here is our chew time video about kind and courteous words:

<https://vimeo.com/672600026>

## **Volunteer Opportunity**

At the end of the school year, we have an enormous culminating assembly for our students to wrap up our year in character development. This year our assembly will be held on TUESDAY May 31st. We LOVE to have parent volunteers assist us on the playground that morning as our students visit 9 stations that remind them of all they've learned this year to "pack in their invisible suitcases." If you can help us out, please use the link below. Thank you in advance!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0444AFAE29ABFC1-culminating1>

## **Art Show**

We are so grateful for the opportunity our students had to participate in the Sandy Art Show. Listed below are the winners from the Draper 2 campus. A huge shout out to these amazing artists!

<b><u>Award</u></b>	<b><u>Student Grade</u></b>	<b><u>Student Name</u></b>	<b><u>Teacher Name</u></b>
Third Place	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	Ariella Gonzalez	Whittaker/Titus
First Place	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Valeska Gonzalez	Ingoldsby
Second Place	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Aria Lance	Whittaker/Herrera

First Place	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	Drake Warner	Whittaker/Pant
Third Place	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Leanna Muir	Ingoldsby
Second Place	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Lincoln Davis	Whittaker/Burkholder
Third Place	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Charity Turner	Whittaker/Eagle
Honorable Mention	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Marko Javanoic	Ingoldsby

**Field Day Volunteers Needed - Wednesday, June 1st**

Field day for 1st-6th grade students will be held on Wednesday, June 1st! We are thrilled to offer volunteer opportunities for parents to assist our incredible PE teachers and other staff with this annual event. Stop by the school on **Wednesday, May 11th at 3:05pm** in the gym for a quick meeting to learn more about field day and what help will be needed! Feel free to bring your school age children to the meeting. Our PE teachers will have an area for students to play games or listen to the planning fun! Again, this will be a quick meeting for you to learn more about the field day volunteer opportunities.

**Attention: 3rd Grade Parents - Robin Hood**

We are excited to welcome your child to 4th grade for the 2022-2023 school year! 4th grade students at APA read the book *Robin Hood*. For your convenience, we will be selling copies of Robin Hood for \$10, while supplies last, from April 1st until April 20th. Log in to your Skyward account to purchase.

**Parent Advisory Committee - Volunteer Opportunity**

Our annual Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) elections are coming up and we are looking for volunteers to serve for the 2022-2023 school year. The PAC participates with school administration in developing the Annual School Plan, in deciding how the Land Trust monies will be spent, and other matters important to our students at American Preparatory Academy.

The PAC generally meets 4 times per year. Members of the PAC will be expected to participate in all of these meetings so that a quorum may be present to conduct business. There are no term limits; as long as the volunteer has students enrolled in the school and is actively participating, they are welcome to continue serving on the committee. If you are interested, please contact Rebecca Dailey at [landtrust@apamail.org](mailto:landtrust@apamail.org) no later than Monday, May 9, 2022 at 4pm.

Please include:

- Your name
- The campus you are running for
- Your students name and grade
- Your phone number and email address
- A short (70 words or less) paragraph on why you are interested in being on the committee.

The ballot link will go home as the last page of the May 13 newsletter and elections will run through Wednesday, May 18. The candidate who receives the most votes will be posted in your campus' May 20 newsletter.

### **Curriculum Volunteers Needed**

End of the year is a busy time for our curriculum specialists. They need help cleaning and repairing books beginning Wednesday, April 20th until the end of the year. If you are able to volunteer in the curriculum office please contact Stacey Spainhower at [sspainhower@apamail.org](mailto:sspainhower@apamail.org) or Katelynn Dennis at [kdennis@apamail.org](mailto:kdennis@apamail.org). Thanks so much!

### **Super Hero Fun Run Registration & Volunteer Opportunity**

In case you haven't already heard, APA's Annual District Super Hero Fun Run Registration IS NOW LIVE!

[For More Details, PLEASE WATCH our FUN RUN TEASER VIDEO! CLICK HERE!](#)

Saturday, May 7, 2022, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm @ Oquirrh Mountain Lake Running Trail, South Jordan, Utah

This year we are raising funds for our APA Teaching In Excellence Fund to help our district attract and keep our FANTASTIC TEACHERS!

Here is how you can sign up or show your support:

- [REGISTRATION LINK](#) : Ends This Coming FRI. (4/22) At Noon
- [VOLUNTEER SIGN UP](#) : Sign Up Today
- [SPONSOR INFORMATION](#) : Get your business logo on our t-shirts, bags, or on-site banners. (Due THIS WED, 4/20)
- [SILENT AUCTION DONATION](#) : Due 5/4

