



Calendar

- Monday, February 13 Reading University (RU) Store
- Tuesday, February 14 Parent Empowerment Night - Managing Stress & Anxiety 7pm
- Friday, February 17 Term 3 ends & Jeans Day (for those who earned it)
- Friday, February 17 Spirit Wear Day!
- Monday, February 20 No School - President's Day
- Tues-Fri, Feb. 21-24 No School - Mid Winter Break
- Monday, February 27 Term 4 Begins

Looking Ahead....

- Friday, March 3 5th Grade Western Round Up
- Monday, March 6 6:30pm Celebration of Excellence Mtg
- Monday, March 13 8:15am/2pm Celebration of Excellence Mtg
- Tuesday, March 14 4th Grade Success Express
- Friday, March 17 8:15am/9:15am Celebration of Excellence Mtg
- Mon-Fri, Mar 20-24 Staff Appreciation Week
- Friday, March 24 6th Grade Western Round Up

Hello American Prep Families,

Our Builder Theme for the month of February is "I Am A Builder When I Use My Words to Encourage Others."

Our tradition at American Preparatory Academy is to spend the month of February focusing on how we can demonstrate caring for our families, our school community and others in our world. We are excited for this month's events as we celebrate and build these caring qualities.

We focus on "caring and sharing" around the time of Valentine's Day. We encourage students to show they care by doing good deeds for others all during February. We briefly teach the students about the American tradition of Valentine's Day.

As a reminder, we do not hold Valentines Day parties or celebrations. We DO focus on caring and sharing all during the month. However, parents of elementary students MAY send Valentines and a small, wrapped treat to a student's classmates on a designated day (this year February 14) under the following conditions:

1. All students are included in the giving – cards must be given to all classmates if you plan to do cards.

2. The treat can be put in the backpack and taken home (please no donuts, muffins, cupcakes, cookies – only wrapped treats like a small piece of candy are ok).

Teachers will allow students to share their Valentines during lunchtime on the designated day.

PARENTS DO NOT NEED TO PROVIDE VALENTINES AND TREATS. This is just for parents who strongly desire to do so.

Reading University Store - Volunteers Needed February 13

We need 3 volunteers to man the RU store on Monday, Feb. 13 in the front lobby. The store is where the students come to pick the level of prize they earned for the amount of RU books they read this past term. We need you to help the kids quickly pick a prize. We'll overlap the shifts so the previous volunteer can quickly tell the next one what is going on before they leave. Thank you for your help!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090c48a9a82ca0f58-rustore#/>

Drop Off & Pick Up aka Carpool

We appreciate all families who continually use the proper pick up and drop off procedures. Our primary goals during carpool are safety and efficiency. Ways you can help meet these goals are:

- Please remember to follow the directions of those outside leading traffic
- Encourage your student(s) to quickly come to their assigned curb and look for you.
- Continue to pull ALL the way forward.
- Drive slowly and very cautiously being aware and courteous of others
- Pick up your child(ren) at the correct dismissal time.
- Use the carpool lanes. Do not park and ask your child to cross traffic to get to your car. This is not safe and slows down the flow of traffic.

Thank you so much to all our wonderful carpool families who are patient, courteous, and follow carpool rules.

This builder behavior makes carpool safe and efficient for everyone and sets the right example for your students.

Lost and Found

We continue to have many items in the lost and found. Please take a moment to write your child's name on his/her sweaters, cardigans, coats and more. Items left in the lost and found at the end of the month are donated to local charities.

Celebration of Excellence Meetings - Looking Ahead

We look forward to meeting with all of you at this annual event! Mark your calendar today! This is an opportunity to give our stakeholders—you, our amazing APA parents—a report on the academic year, discuss pertinent school topics and to begin the re-enrollment process for the upcoming school year. Please make arrangements to have at least one parent in attendance. Doors will lock promptly at start time and there will be no late admittance. We will have the following opportunities to attend the mandatory meeting and are looking forward to seeing you and having this first re-enrollment step complete.

If your student is currently in 6th grade and planning to attend Draper 3 for the 2023-2024 school year, you will need to attend a meeting at the D3 campus.

Monday, March 6th @ 6:30PM

Monday March 13th @ 8:15AM OR 2PM

Thursday, March 16th @ 4PM OR 6PM

Friday, March 17th @ 8:15AM OR 9:15AM

We are excited for this opportunity to celebrate the excellence of American Prep and our Draper 2 campus.

Staff Appreciation Week Volunteers & Donations Needed

Staff Appreciation Week is March 20th-24th and we need many volunteers to make it a success! This is a fun event organized by parent volunteers to show the gratitude we have for our APA staff. We love our kids' teachers, and all of those around the school that take care of our children each day. This is a really special way to get in your volunteer hours and as parents, show appreciation we have for the APA staff! We will be providing meals to staff throughout the week and we need more parent volunteers like us to help with set up and serving these meals along with treats in mailboxes, decorating doors and more! Plan your calendar now to be able to volunteer your time for this annual event! More information and opportunities will be coming soon.

If you own a business or know of someone who does, or would just like to donate something else, we are also taking monetary donations for this event. Please contact Zoie Farmer or Sariah Crafts @ junk4zoie@gmail.com if you have donations or questions about this event.