



Calendar

- Monday, March 13 8:15am/2pm Celebration of Excellence Mtg
- Tuesday, March 14 4th Grade Success Express
- Tuesday, March 14 Parent Empowerment Night 7pm
- Thursday, March 16 Parent Teacher Conferences 3pm-7pm
- Thursday, March 16 4pm/6pm Celebration of Excellence Mtg
- Friday, March 17 No student attendance - PTCs 8am-12pm
- Friday, March 17 8am/9am Celebration of Excellence Mtg
- Mon-Fri, Mar 20-24 Staff Appreciation Week
- Tuesday, March 21 Early Dismissal 12:15pm/12:30pm/12:45pm
- Tuesday, March 21 Professional Development for Staff
- Thursday, March 23 Speech Festival 1st-3rd grade 12:30pm
- Friday, March 24 6th Grade Western Round Up
- Tuesday, March 28 Builder of the Year Assembly 1:30pm
- Wednesday, March 29 3rd Grade We Are Amazing Program 5pm
- Friday, March 31 1st-3rd Grade Field Trips
- Friday, March 31 4th-6th Grade Speech Festival

Looking Ahead...

- Mon-Fri, April 3-7 Spring Break - No School
- Tuesday, April 11 Kindergarten Field Trip to the Zoo
- Wednesday, April 12 One Kind Act A Day!
- Friday, April 14 2nd Grade Willy Wonka Event
- Friday, April 21 Early Dismissal 12:15pm/12:30pm/12:45pm
- Fri-Sat., April 28-29 District Art Show
- Tuesday, May 2 4th-6th Grade Field Trips
- Saturday, May 20 Annual Fun Run - Save the Date!

Hello American Prep Families,

Our Builder Theme for the month of March is “I Am A Builder When I Quickly Acknowledge Mistakes and Humbly Make Amends”

As we have practiced this month’s Builders theme, we have found it gets easier and easier each time you truly admit to making a mistake and then look for the best way to make amends for that mistake. None of our students intend to do harm to one of their friends - sometimes they just get caught up in the moment. What do we do to try to make things better? We quickly acknowledge that we made a mistake then we follow through just as quickly with an

idea to make the situation better, without using the phrase, “I’m sorry but . . .” After we have apologized and have made the appropriate amends, we must then leave it in the hands of the other person to quickly accept our apology. Keep practicing this theme in your family and see how much easier it gets each time you do it.

Drop Off & Pick Up aka Carpool

Thank you so much for making pick up and drop off a smoother process this school year! We appreciate each of you smiling at the staff assisting with the process and being examples of true builders.

Now that the drop off and pick up has improved, we’d like to take this a step further. We have wonderful neighbors that live near the school, and they have expressed concern regarding some of our families using the neighborhood to make u-turns, sometimes speeding and blocking driveways, etc. Additionally, we have about 30 APA families living in this neighborhood, and they are having difficulty merging onto Lone Peak to drop off and pick up their children from the school. Let’s show our school neighbors that we truly are builders in every way!

We are in the process of distributing a light gray carpool tag with the APA eagle and log on it to the families living in the neighborhood. If you see one of these gray tags displayed on the rear-view mirror of a vehicle, will you please allow them to merge onto Lone Peak? APA families without the proper gray carpool tag may be stopped and reminded of the rules. We appreciate all of you being builders as we work with our surrounding community.

Let’s all be respectful of the neighborhoods surrounding the school. They are not drop off/pick up or waiting areas for families not living in the area.

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.

Speech Festival Volunteers Needed

Parents! We need a few volunteers to help judge our yearly Speech Festival. It's fun and easy to do. You'll need to arrive at the school at 12:30pm to receive a little training. The competition starts at 1pm and goes until school is out. Please note there are 2 different days: K-3 Speech Festival is Thursday, March 23 & the 4-6 grade Speech Festival is Friday March 31.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D4CAFAB23A3FA7-speech>

Celebration of Excellence Meetings - Mark your calendars

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.

Hooray! Staff Appreciation Volunteer Opportunities

Once a year parents have the opportunity to show the staff at D2 all the love and appreciation you have for the many things the staff do for our children. We are thankful for the many parents who have signed up to help, donate, etc during this week. We have a few more opportunities to donate food items and many doors available to decorate. Please click on one of the links below if you would like to help!

Food and other items needed

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b4ca5ac2baafe3-teacher1#/>

Door Decorating

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a4ca4ad22a2ff2-staff#>

It's time to show some appreciation to all the wonderful teachers and staff! Our theme this year is magic. Please review the available slots below to decorate doors and click on the button to sign up. The paper for the doors is already pre-cut for you, so all you have to do is hang it and decorate. It's so easy!! Here are some options:

1. You can pick up the paper now, decorate it at home, and bring it back to hang on 3/17.
2. You can show up 3/17 afternoon with your supplies and decorate the door all then.
3. If you're willing to help, but want ideas, there will even be a door decorating party on 3/17 starting at 11 a.m. where you can use supplied materials.

Doors can be decorated Friday, March 17th from 12-4pm. Thank you!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a4ca4ad22a2ff2-staff#>

Nominate A Draper 2 Teacher!

The Utah Jazz offers a fun opportunity to nominate an outstanding teacher each month. Each honored educator will be guests of Instructure at the game and will receive a personalized Jazz jersey. In addition, each recipient will receive a \$1,000 classroom grant and a surprise classroom visit or organized school assembly featuring the Jazz Bear and personnel from the Utah Jazz and Instructure. This is a very easy opportunity to nominate someone great who is doing something fun or exceptional at our school OR in their community.

Do you have a teacher that...

- does something unique with their class?
- volunteers in their community?
- helped improve a program significantly?
- helped a student with their college applications?

Feel free to submit the application through this link. [Most Valuable Educator | NBA.com](#)

Virtual Parent Empowerment Night--Communication and Connection TUESDAY

Have you ever felt you and your child were speaking a different language? Has it ever seemed that you're not even on the same page or even the same book? Come join us at our Virtual Parent Empowerment Night on Tuesday, March 14th at 7pm. We will talk about how to improve communication with others, some obstacles to communication, and ways to connect with those who matter most. Come ZOOM with us!

<https://uetn-org.zoom.us/j/81329383265>

Meeting ID: 813 2938 3265

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St. Patrick's Day Guidelines

PLEASE REMIND YOUR STUDENTS THAT PINCHING IS NOT ALLOWED at APA for any reason – on St. Patrick's Day or any other school day. Although some students believe it is an acceptable tradition to pinch or punch another student who is not wearing green on St. Patrick's Day, it is not part of our "Builder Community" at American Prep. Any student who pinches or punches another student at school (for any reason) will be in violation of our school Code of Conduct.

Wolfpack Running Club

The Wolfpack Running Club is standing up an APA Track & Field team again.

Your Head Coach is Crista Harrington. The Elementary program is for K-6 grade. The season runs from April 10 to May 26. Practices are one hour, Tuesdays and Thursdays after school from 4 pm to 5 pm at Draper City Park. There will be two meets at Corner Canyons High School.

The events are 100m, 400m, 1600m, 4x400m Relay, Javelin, and Long Jump.

Here's the link to program information and registration. <https://wolfpackrunning.org/services/elementary/>
Contact Tom Sharkey, Wolfpack Director of Elementary, at 443-939-7133 with questions.

APA District Fun Run 2023 - MAY, 20 2023

GET EXCITED! Please mark your calendars for Saturday, May 20 in Daybreak, South Jordan (10491 Lake Ave, South Jordan UT - same place as last year). This event is going to be EPIC! As always, we will have Rusty Keys from FM100.3, Food Trucks, Race Medals, Silent Auction, FUN, and more! AND we are additionally adding more swag, excitement, and additionally extra safety precautions to make this the most fun event and race APA has ever had! Volunteer Signups or Email for Sponsor Opportunities

- o Volunteer: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0548A5AD23A5FD0-2023>
- o Sponsor Opportunities: Email funrun@americanprepfoundation.org