



AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

School Calendar

January 27th, 2017

Friday, January 27 th	9 th Grade Winter Dance-WV Megaplex 6-7:30 pm
Saturday, January 28 th	Saturday School-Grades 7-12, 7 am
Tuesday, January 31 st	Show What You Know Grades 1-3 8 am
Tuesday, January 31 st	High School Information Meeting 7 pm
Wednesday, February 1 st	Show What You Know Grades 4-6 8 am
Wednesday, February 1 st	Vision Screenings Grades 1-12
Wednesday, February 1 st	High School Information meeting 1:15-2:15
Friday, February 3 rd	Draper 2 Land Trust Meeting 2 pm
Tuesday, February 7 th	Builders Assembly Grades 1-3 8 am
Wednesday, February 7 th	Builders Assembly Grades 4-6 8 am
Wednesday, February 8 th	8 th Grade Explosive Extravaganza 1-3:45 pm
Wednesday, February 8 th	Grades 1-3 Spelling Bee 12:30-2:00 pm
Friday, February 10 th	Grades 4-6 Spelling Bee 1:30-3:00 pm

You will find all events and updates for our campus at <http://www.drapers2.americanprep.org>.
We encourage you to visit (and like!) our Facebook page for the latest school happenings.
Check it out at <https://www.facebook.com/americanprepD2/>.

January Builder Theme: “I am a builder when I think positive thoughts about myself and others.”

Our brains are very powerful and distinguish us from the many creatures on our earth. The thoughts that arise from this incredible part of our being can transform and shape what we experience and believe. There are significant positive reactions within our physiological state when thinking positively about situations. The ability to think positively builds resiliency in each of us. We are what we believe are, and at American Prep, we believe that all of us can become builders in our schools, families and communities. It all starts with our thoughts, so we might as well have good thoughts!

AMERICAN PREP HIGH SCHOOL

We will be hosting informational meetings about the programs to be offered at our high school next week. Current parents and other parents interested in our high school are encouraged to attend for more information. We will be explaining the variety of programs, curriculum, scholarship opportunities and afterschool clubs and athletics. These meetings are open to all currently enrolled parents or anyone else interested in enrolling in the high school. Please come for more information. Tuesday, January 31st at 7 pm. and Wednesday February 1st at 1:15-2:15 pm



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2017 APA (D2) Science Fair Winners

Elementary Division:

1st Place: Elena Hullinger
2nd Place: Bradley Scherzinger
3rd Place: Miles Johnson

Honorable Mention

Arianna DeGraaf
Brady Smith
Audrey Driggs

Junior Division:

1st Place: Tiara Tuttle
2nd Place: Isaac Brown
3rd Place: Danion Nelson

Honorable Mention

Grace Cardona
Austin Reich

Curriculum

A great way to avoid book replacement fines at the end of the year is to keep track of and take good care of textbooks and library books now! If any damage occurs, please bring it to the Curriculum Room immediately for help before the problem gets worse and fines are charged.

Secondary students should keep their books with them or in a locker. Books left on the classroom shelves are easily lost and a common way for charges to incur. Please don't leave books on classroom shelves!

Please remember that replacements for lost/damaged books are not accepted. Curriculum staff can help with finding used replacements or other ways to reduce charges so please allow us to help you with this instead.

Thanks to our great students who show responsibility for returning things on time. You are awesome!

From the Lunch Room

Students should be bringing utensils with them if needed for their lunch. Our lunch manager has received numerous requests for utensils and will not be

Reading University Volunteers Needed

Need to complete volunteer hours still? Join the Reading University Review Committee! Our Reading University program promotes high quality literature reading. If you like to read and want to evaluate books to be included on our list please contact Jacqui at apareadinguniversity@gmail.com for details.

Abby Leroy

Senior Division:

1st Place: Mason Buxton
2nd Place: Eve Warner
3rd Place: Milena Johnson

Honorable Mention

Griffin Stewart
Elliott Detjen
Keyan Adams

Overall School Winners

1st Tiara Tuttle (\$100)
2nd Elena Hullinger (\$50)
3rd Mason Buxton (\$25)



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Lost and Found Items-Cleaned out this week!

In order to keep down on the clutter and items accumulating in our lost and Found, we will be clearing items out on the last Friday of every month. We will bag the items for one week, and then will donate them to a worthy cause. For all clothing items, parents should label them so it will make it easier to get back to students. If your child is missing a coat, sweater, lunch bag, shoes, etc, please check the 1st floor Lost and Found by the lower elementary bathrooms and in the commons area on the 2nd floor.

From the Family Support Organization

PARENTS: we need **YOUR HELP**. We need 6 volunteers to judge our upcoming spelling bees on Feb 8th and/or 10th. This is a great way to get a couple of volunteer hours in. Click here if you are interested in helping! Thanks.

www.SignUpGenius.com/go/4090A45ABAC23A1FF2-spelling.

We are in need of three judges each day of the Spelling Bee. February 8th will be the 1st-3rd Grades. February 10th will be the 4th-8th Grades. We'd love to have your help.

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Athletics and Activities

As always, for more information and team schedules please visit the Athletics and Clubs website at:

<http://www.draperathleticsapa.org/>

Spring Sports

Track and Field

We invite all 5th grade and above girls and boys to join in to build our Jr High team. We will be sending out the days and times for the tryouts very soon so keep reading the News Letter!

We are still working with Nan Kennard and her Draper Track and Field for our younger athletes (8 to 14). Sign ups have begun for the competitive team so visit her website to check it out. <http://drapertrackandfield.com/>

Soccer

Grades 7-12 Open Gym-Wednesday February 1st 2:30-5 pm

Character Development

Looking ahead we have our 8th grade Explosive Extravaganza event on February 8th from 1:10-3:45pm. This is a stationed event at the school where the students will be learning many skills such as the power of words and how to handle negative emotions. **LATE PARENT PICK UP REQUIRED.**

Our West Valley and Draper students had the opportunity to attend an educational forum called "Communities that Care." Several of our APA students were part of the presentation and educated guests on the importance of staying in school. Other topics included drug and alcohol abuse, peer pressure and depression issues among



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teens. We were proud to support our community.

9th graders visited the Capitol on Tuesday, January 24th. Students were able to be part of the legislative process by attending subcommittee meetings and observing the house and senate floor in action. "A democratic society depends upon an informed and educated citizenry." -Thomas Jefferson

Our dance team had the opportunity to represent APA at "Charter Day on the Hill" at the Capitol on Thursday, January, 26th. We are grateful to be part of a state that offers school choice.

There will be an 8th grade event coming up on **Wednesday, February 8th from 1:10-3:45**. We are in need of parent volunteers to be group leaders and help with a food station for this event. If you are willing and available to help, please let us know! Contact Michelle Parry mparry@apamail.org

Secondary News

Communities Talk Event

This past Monday evening, our students participated in the Draper Community Talks Event. Schools throughout the Draper area participated and our students' video and skit was a smashing success. The professionalism and enthusiasm our students demonstrated was impressive. The topic our students tackled was "staying in school" and you can enjoy the video here:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B9I-O-saJ5-oNIRSTUFHdXpWT2s/view?usp=sharing>

AP Exam Fees

We will begin collecting AP Exam fees starting Monday, February 27th with final deadline on Friday, March 10th. All exams will be \$93. Reduced fees are available for qualified students. Please see Mrs. Awerkamp for requirements.

AP exams will begin on Monday, May 1st and continue through Friday, May 12th.

For questions regarding Advanced Placement questions, please contact Mrs. Awerkamp at cawerkamp@apamail.org.

Saturday School

We will be holding Saturday School on January 28th and Feb. 11th from 7am-10am. Students must arrive before 7am as the doors will be locked at 7am.

Students can register in the secondary office.

Science Fair Judges Needed

We have a volunteer opportunity for our parents. We are responsible for providing 1 judge for every 3 students we send on to the next level, the Salt Lake Charter Science and Engineering Fair on 17 Feb. This would be a great chance for parents to knock out some of their volunteer hours.

The fair is held at SLCC (Miller Campus). You do not have to be a scientist or engineer to be a judge. However, the Senior division does have stricter requirements.

Attached is a link to the judging registration site, and they do provide lunch for the judges.



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www.sciencefairtools.com

username: 2017judge

password: 17sciencefair

Parents will not be judging students from APA, all judges only see projects of students they have no affiliation with, but they can see our students and offer words of encouragement, which go along way:)

Secondary Students - ACT Information

All secondary students will be taking the ACT on February 28. 9th and 10th graders will take a pre-ACT, and Juniors will take the official ACT. This is an important college entrance test. It is recommended that students spend time studying to achieve the highest score possible.

Here are some great websites for extra study:

ACT prep on the ACT website: <http://www.actstudent.org/testprep/>

ACT prep on [Shmoop.com](http://www.shmoop.com):

1. Visit <http://www.shmoop.com/utah/>
2. Find your high school
3. Click on "Let's Go"
4. Answer "YES" - if you have created an account on Shmoop before; answer "NO" if you have not created an account on Shmoop

Enter the Magic Word: ARCHES