



AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

School Calendar

October 27, 2016

Thursday, October 27 th	Elementary Grades 1-6 Parent Teacher Conferences 3 pm-7 pm
Thursday, October 27 th	Used Uniform Sale Draper 1, 3:30 pm-7 pm
Friday, October 28 th	Anxiety Workshop 10:30 am-11:30 am
Friday, October 28 th	No School Grades 1-6
Friday, October 28 th	Parent Teacher Conf. Grades 1-6 8 am-1 pm
Friday, October 28 th	Used Uniform Sale Draper 1, 9 am-1 pm
Monday, October 31 st	Early Dismissal 12:00 pm/12:25 pm
Tuesday, November 1 st	Builder Assembly Grades 1-3, 8 am
Wednesday, November 2 nd	Builder Assembly Grades 4-6, 8 am
Wednesday, November 2 nd	PSAT/Explore Testing Grades 7-11
Wednesday, November 2 nd	School Tour 8:30 am
Monday-Friday, November 7 th -12 th	Barnes and Noble Book Fair online
Saturday, November 12 th	Barnes and Noble Book Fair at Sandy store.

You will find all events and updates for our campus at <http://www.draper2.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/>.

September Builder Theme: I am a builder when I demonstrate integrity

Integrity has been described as “walking your talk”. This means that there should be no difference between our actions and our words. Integrity is shown not just in what we say, but in our whole character. Building a reputation of integrity takes years, but it takes only a second to lose, so we should never allow ourselves to do anything that would damage our integrity.

A great way to begin a discussion on the meaning and importance of integrity is to invent scenarios that encourage us to think about our choices. This provides a non-judgmental space in which to explore integrity and share responses. Discussion helps us to learn what the right thing is and how to actually do it, especially if there is peer pressure involved. Here are some examples.

“What would you do if...”

- ...you saw your best friend stealing candy from the teacher’s desk?
- ...you noticed that your grandmother dropped a \$20 bill the same day you wanted to buy a new video game?
- ...you saw the last piece of chocolate cake in the fridge but knew your sister was hoping to have it for dessert?
- ...you jokingly said something at recess and later heard it repeated as a rumor?
- ...you witnessed a friend being bullied in the hallway at school?

Others need to be able to trust that we will “walk our talk”, that we can be trusted to do what we say we will do simply because it’s the right and honorable thing. Why? The value of the trust of others goes beyond anything that can be measured because it brings limitless opportunities and endless possibilities.

Holiday Celebrations

At American Prep we typically do not celebrate holidays, although we do acknowledge some of them. We don’t



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have class holiday parties, but instead we have fun culminating activities that go along with our units of study in history and science. Students often dress up for these activities, have food, and play games.

It is important for teachers and parents to remember that *we don't celebrate Halloween*. We limit the distractions to our learning environment. We feel that this is best done at home in whatever manner parents feel is appropriate for their own children.

September Builder Award Recipients- I Build with Enthusiasm

1st -Macy Powell, Austin Orges, Hazel Cheney
2nd -Levi Kim, Norah Obed, Kylie Stewart
3rd -Garrett Schreiner, Yashvi Bhagat, Reece Thomas
4th -Emily Dailey, Nate Coleman, Ayush Chandrashekar
5th -Peter Chapman, Reese Hurst, Lauren Rentmeister
6th -Jacob Lever, Ian Colemere, A.J. Malupo
7th -Dom Frank, Raegan Hailey, Savanna Robinson
8th -Juliam Armstrong, Molly Wadsworth, Nathan Farr
9th -Tyler Jones, Jossalyne Foster, Ashlyn Park
10th -Kelli Byrnes, Clayton Johnson
11th -Miguel Jahen, Shivani Parameswaren
12th -Dayton Trafelet

Reading University Award Recipients

1st -Denver Hinrichsen, Logan Garrett, Kaisha Brinkerhoff
2nd -McKay Proctor, Maylie Walters, Rylan Graham
3rd -Ammon Krebs, Lauren Den Bleyker, Luke Mendel
4th -Alton Baugh, Kristin Nani, Kyle Bargquist
5th -Vivienne Huh, Tiffany Hong, Allison Stewart
6th -Michael Milar, Victoria Hollingsworth, Andre Ferrate

Carpool Corner

The continuing road construction at 11400 South has created significant congestion at that intersection and many families have to wait through numerous light cycles. This congestion is impacting all of us and can cause an extra 10 minutes to your regular commute. The most recent information that we have obtained is that this road construction should last another 2-3 weeks. So, in order to allow for this, *please try and adjust your commutes to start 10 minutes earlier during this road construction.*

Used Uniform Sale

Our USED uniform sale will be held in the Draper 1 multipurpose room on Thursday, October 27th, 3:30 pm-7:00 pm and Friday, October 28th, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm. We also have some used uniform pieces that do not meet APA requirements and are not selling because of holes, stains, fraying, etc. If your items fall in to this category and you wish to have them back, please pick them up during the sale. Uncollected defective uniforms will be donated to the Guadalupe School. This school serves disadvantaged children in Salt Lake City. Thank you!

From the Family School Organization (FSO)

The semi-annual *Barnes and Noble Book Fair* will be held the week of November 7th-12th. We will have 5 days of online sales and one in store day, Saturday, November 12th from 9:00 am-9:00 pm. We need



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volunteers at the Sandy store, 10180 S. State St on Nov. 12th in 2-hour shifts. Sign up below to help support this fundraising effort.

<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/20f0f49aea62ea1fc1-barnes1>

We have already booked many vendors for the *Holiday Boutique November 18th -19th* but are still looking for more. Do you sell a product, service, or craft and would like to market it? Or do you know someone who does? If you'd like more information or would like to fill out the application, please go to <https://www.facebook.com/groups/apaboutiquevendors/>. The total cost is \$50 per vendor for both days. This is a fundraiser for APA, and the vendor fees go to APA. We are also looking for APA organizations who would like to fundraise at the boutique. Ideas include concessions, a bake sale, face painting, crafts for kids, etc. Please contact Michelle Goudge at mgoudge@gmail.com with any questions or if you are interested in participating.

Athletics and Activities

After a long trip last night and a great season, making it all the way to the HS State Volleyball tournament, our girls' team finished their season. Congratulations, Jossalyne Foster, Hannah Cozzens, Loren DeGraaff, Sophie Shupe, Sophia Green, Sadie Kunz, Ashlyn Campbell, Elizabeth Eubanks, America Chavez, Tiara Tuttle, Mason Buxton, Ady Slichta

Draper APA is hosting the state volleyball tournament this week. Friday there will be 2 boys' games at D1 and 2 girls games at D2. Saturday at D2 there will be 4 games starting at 10:00 am. You are welcome to come cheer and enjoy the games!

Boys Basketball Tryouts are Monday, (10/31) from 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm.

Parent meeting for JH and HS boys basketball is Tuesday, Nov. 1st at D2 from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Please plan to attend. We have a game on Wednesday, November 2nd for the JH and Wednesday, November 16th for the HS. Players must be registered to play.

For information on athletics and activities, please check the website: <http://draper2.americanprep.org/>

Veterans Day Events

Veterans Day is quickly approaching and we have planned two events to honor those who have served our country. The events are a teaching opportunity for our students to learn through their own participation how to respect and honor our nation's veterans. In your communication folders after fall break you will find a beautiful invitation to our Veterans Day events to be held on Wednesday, November 9th. Please take the time to invite your veteran neighbors, coworkers, friends, and family members. Note that there are two assembly times on the invitation (9:00 am and 12:00 pm). If you need additional invitations we have attached the file to the newsletter email for you to print at your convenience. Veterans are invited to bring two guests and will receive nametags confirming their admission.

RSVPs to Mrs. Gillis at 801.810.3590 are due Friday, November 4th. Please RSVP with the number of guests and whether or not wheelchair access or other assistance is needed. We will have very limited parking and seating prior to the receptions and assemblies. If you are bringing veterans, please arrive on time to your event.

The **first assembly** will take place from 9:00 am to 10:00 am on November 9th. Veterans and their guests are invited to attend a reception with refreshments beginning at 8:30 am. *This reception is not for parents of APA students unless you are a guest of a Veteran.*



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The **second assembly** will take place from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm on November 9th. Veterans and their guests are invited to attend a reception beginning at 11:30 am. We ask that you do not arrive earlier than 11:30 am. *This reception is not for parents of APA students unless you are a guest of a Veteran.*

Live Stream - We are pleased to announce an exciting, new feature this year. If you are unable to attend either assembly, we will have an online stream via Facebook Live of our West Valley 1 assembly on Friday, November 11th from 9:45 am to 10:45 am. Please visit the APA website to log on (www.americanprep.org).

Student Attendance - The 7th-12th grade student body is being split to perform between the two assemblies. Students in 1st-6th grades as well as those in the secondary choir will perform in both assemblies. We will do our best to accommodate parents who are escorting veterans into their own student's assembly. When you RSVP to the front office, you will be given more information regarding 7th-12th grade assembly assignments. Please note that there will not be space in the gymnasium for strollers.

Volunteer Opportunity - If you would like to volunteer (and guarantee yourself a seat in one of the assemblies), please sign up at www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E0F44A4A82FA2FC1-apaveterans or inform Mrs. Gillis when you RSVP, that you are willing to help and we will contact you. We need volunteers to help with reception setup, food preparation, registration and veteran check-in, and cleanup.

Classroom Visits - We welcome veterans and guests of our APA students to visit the classrooms immediately following the commemorations. This is a wonderful way for our students to introduce them to their class members and for our honored veterans to share their stories.

We thank you in advance for following our above guidelines. This is a very cherished event here at APA and we are so excited to welcome more veterans and APA family members.

Character Development Activities

On Wednesday, at our 7th grade Rising Stars Ambassador Event, students learned the secrets of accepting invitations, learned how to properly accept awards, and practiced American Style cutting techniques with food. These students are going to have the skills to be confident in any professional situation. Good work students! You are super stars!

Secondary News

ASPIRE Feature Notice

ASPIRE is the system that you can utilize to help track your secondary student's academic progress and attendance. If you are not currently using Aspire and need a username and password, first go to this link: <https://amerprep.usoe-dcs.org/Login.aspx>. Once on the home page, click where it says "Request a Username" below the login box. You will need your student's four-digit ID number and their birthdate. With this you can setup your own login tied to all of your students. You can also set ASPIRE to send you notifications on your phone or email if your student has missing work. If you have questions, please contact Mr. Baker dbaker@apamail.org.

Writer's Club Contest

Writer's club is pleased to announce the annual Ghost Story Contest. Submit your ghostly story, poem or play to writersclub@apamail.org by November 3rd and you could win a gift card!