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School Calendar

May 12, 2017

Friday, May 12 th	Ballroom Dance Concert 7 pm D2 Gym District Art Show 5-8 pm WV2
Saturday, May 13 th	District Art Show 9 am-12 noon WV2 Ballroom Dance Concert 7 pm D2 Gym
Tuesday, May 16 th	Builders Assembly, Grades 1-3, 8 am
Tuesday, May 16 th	Orchestra Concerts, Grade 6, 6 pm Grades 7-12, 7 pm
Wednesday, May 17 th	Volunteer Assembly 8 am, Reception 8:30 am
Wednesday, May 17 th	APA Idol 12:45-2:00 pm
Wednesday, May 17 th	9 th Grade La Caille Ball 4:30-10:00 pm
Thursday, May 18 th	9 th Grade La Caille Ball 4:30-10:00 pm
Friday, May 19 th	FUN RUN! Wheadon Farm 3:30-6:30 pm
Saturday, May 20 th	Saturday School 7am-Secondary Cafeteria
Tuesday, May 23 rd	Reading University Grades 1-3 8 am
Tuesday, May 23 rd	Show What You Know Grade 1 1pm/6pm
Tuesday, May 23 rd	Show What You Know Grade 4 2pm/7pm
Wednesday, May 24 th	Show What You Know Grades 5 2 pm/5:30 pm
Wednesday, May 24 th	Grades 5, 7-12 Choir Concert 7 pm

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/>.

May Builder Theme: “I am a Builder when I respect my body and mind.”

“While it is obvious that a good-feeling body makes for a more pleasant physical experience, we want you to understand that finding pleasant things to focus upon also makes for a good-feeling body. However, most humans are approaching the subject of their physical well-being in a backward manner. Most people who are experiencing physical ailments let their physical condition dictate their mental attitude. In other words, their emotions are responsive to their physical condition. When they are in pain, they offer emotions of frustration, worry, anger, or fear. They want the condition to improve so that their emotional state can improve. Any illness, or departure from physical well-being, begins at a cellular level — but the overwhelming propensity of your cells is that of thriving. All day, every day, your cells are reclaiming balance at such refined and subtle levels that most people are completely unaware of the power and intelligence of their cellular bodies. Focusing upon good-feeling objects of attention is the most effective way of providing the optimum environment for allowing unhindered cellular communication and the ultimate thriving of your physical body.” **Abraham-Hicks**

Honor our SUPER STAFF with STARS!

Our Wall of Thanks is growing! We have over 120 stars and more are being added each day. It is fun for our APA family to enjoy a visual representation of appreciation for all our staff does!

For a \$5 donation to the Staff Appreciation Fund, we will hang a star with the teacher/staff member name and your family name on the wall.

You may donate as many times as you'd like. For each \$5 donation, we'll hang another star in your honor!

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You can expand your support by joining the Builders Club with a recurring monthly donation of any amount! When you select this option, you will receive 5 stars for the "Wall of Thanks".

Help us show our amazing appreciation for our staff by clicking here:

<http://www.americanprepfoundation.org/staff-appreciation> . All proceeds raised go directly to the Staff Appreciation Fund.

Memorial Day "Buddy Poppy"

As part of our Memorial Day celebration, each of our students will be given a "Buddy Poppy" to wear for the day and to take home. These artificial poppies have been a symbol of fallen and wounded veterans since World War II. They are traditionally sold on street corners by veterans, and donations received in return for these artificial poppies have helped over the years countless veterans, widows, widowers and orphans of fallen soldiers. The poppy itself continues to serve as a perpetual tribute to those who have given their lives for our nation's freedom.

Our school will be accepting donations for our veterans until the end of the school year. Please use the envelope when it is stapled to your student's learning plan, or come to the office and pick up another one, and turn your donations in to your student's teacher or the main office. Your donation will be greatly appreciated.

2nd Annual Story Crossroads Festival

Congratulations to the winners from each division of the Speech Festival. The finalists performed their pieces well and final scoring was tough! We were fortunate to have visiting judges from the storytelling guild. One of the visiting judges, Jan Smith, was so impressed with our students that she raved about them to the executive director of Story Crossroads.

We are so excited to share the news that our winners from the school Speech Festivals have been invited to participate in the 2nd Annual Story Crossroads Festival this year at Murray Park (296 East Murray Park Ave). They will be performing **Wednesday, May 24** at the morning sessions about **9:00 am** or evening concerts starting about **6:00 pm**. Come watch them perform! www.storycrossroads.com for more information.
Entrance fee: **\$3/adult; \$1/student or senior**

From the Family Support Organization

MANY THANKS!!!! We want to give a big THANKS to Saren Fassbinder and the wonderful job she did in taking the lead on all three speech festivals!!! A shout out to all the volunteers who helped judge this event: Indira Lakshmanan, Jennifer Buckley, Amy Burton, Merica Chapple, Jennafer Jeppsen, Andres Paredes, Missy Tippetts, Holly Packer, and Michelle Goudge. We also had two wonderful judges from the Utah Story Telling Guild. Thanks for helping make this event a success!!!

Have you completed your 20 hours of volunteer work this year???

APA thrives because of the willing and able hands of helpful parents! There are still a few opportunities to get your 20 hours and lend a hand with end of year activities:

APA FUN RUN: The Annual Fun Run is **NEXT FRIDAY, MAY 19th**! We will be combining with our friends from D1 at Wheadon Farm Park (13965 S. Bangerter Parkway)
Participation in the races is FREE and open to everyone!

Registration for the run begins at 4:00 pm with the following race start times:

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4:30 pm - 1st-3rd grade 1K

4:45 pm - 4th-6th grade 1K

5:00 pm - 7th grade and up 5K

In addition to the run, we will have plenty of food and fun!

Would you like a race shirt???

There are a small number of race t-shirts still available , email marianneporter@gmail.com if you would like one!

Included with your race t-shirt (\$8) is a refillable water bottle and gift card!

We still need some donations and awesome volunteers to help out with the race and silent auction. Please sign up at www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E0F48AAAC2DA7FA7-d1andd2.

FIELD DAY: The end of the school year is fast approaching! We are excited to announce that field day this year for all elementary students will be at the school. We need **MANY** parent volunteers to make this happen! Please join us for a planning meeting on Tuesday, May 16th at 2:00 pm in the school foyer.

CURRICULUM NEEDS YOU! Do you love books? Can you count to 32? Come help us check in all the textbooks loaned to our APA students this year on May 31st and June 1st and 2nd You could be helping clean, repair, transport, or shelve textbooks with fellow bibliophiles! <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090a45abac23a1ff2-text/26631671>

PARENT VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION: We want to recognize you for the hours that you have volunteered this year at APA. If you haven't already, please email the family name(s) that you want included on your recognition to Michelle Goudge at mgoudge@apamail.org. Last name(s) only, please. We need this information as soon as possible. And if you have not done so already, please report your volunteer hours to volunteerdraper2@apamail.org.

Yearbook Information

Yearbooks that have already been purchased will be handed out to secondary student 7th-12th on Wednesday, June 7th, during their 4th period class. Elementary yearbooks that have already been purchased will be passed out on the last day of school, June 9th, at their homeroom teacher's discretion. All extra yearbooks will be sold on the last day of school, June 9th.

AP Parent Night

Wednesday, May 31st from 7:00 - 8:00 pm in the band room. Come learn which Advanced Placement (AP) classes APA offers as well as the benefits and expectations of each. Attendance is highly recommended for parents of students who are planning on taking one or more AP classes next year. Students are welcome to attend.

PAC Election Time

It is time to vote for the parents you would like to represent you on our Parent Advisory Committee. The PAC meets 3-4 times per year and participates with the 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. We need to fill one vacancy on the Parent Advisory Committee this year. Each family may vote for one candidate. (You may not cast more than one vote for the same name.) The ballot is included as a separate page and can be found in your Communication Envelope along with the newsletter. **Make your 1 selection and return it to the school in the Family Communication Envelope or bring it in to the office by Wednesday, May 17th at 4pm.** Please staple or tape your ballot. Ballots will be placed in a secure location at



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the school when they are received. The parent with the most votes will be posted in the May 19th newsletter and will represent Draper 2 parents on the PAC. Thank you for taking the time to select your parent representative for the 2017-18 School Year.

Parent Advisory Committee Elections-Draper 3

We are in the process of creating our Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) for the 2017-18 school year. PAC participates with the 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. We have one parent PAC position to fill at APA-Draper 3. Draper 3 will be comprised of grades 7-12 for this coming school year. Parents of students who are employed 6 or more hours per week at the school are disqualified from participating as an elected parent.

The PAC generally meets 3-4 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, so long as an elected parent has students enrolled in the school, is actively participating, and wishes to continue to do so.

These are the anticipated meeting dates, times, and places for the 2017-18 school year. **It is vital that you attend all three meetings if you are a member of the PAC. We must have a quorum in order to hold a meeting.** Failure to do so may result in the loss of your seat on the Committee.

1st Meeting at Draper 3 will be on Thursday, September 28th at 10:00am.

2nd Meeting at Draper 3 will be on Thursday, January 25th at 10:00am.

3rd Meeting (Annual School Planning Meeting) This meeting will most likely be held in late July, after we get State Testing results back.

If you are interested, please contact Kim Dudley, landtrust@apamail.org no later than Friday, May 12th, 2017 at 4pm. *Please include your name, the campus you are running for, your students name and grade, your phone number and email address.*

1. We are holding elections at more than one campus, so it will be very important that you note in your email for which campus' PAC you are running. The ballot will go home as the last page of the May 19th newsletter. Each family may vote for 4 candidates, since we have 4 openings. Ballots must be returned to the school by 4pm on May 24. The candidate who receives the most votes will be posted in the June 2nd newsletter. Candidates will be notified by email on May 25th.

From our Curriculum and Library Department

May 12th= Last library book check-out (for responsible students)

May 19th= **All** library books due

May 30th= Kindergarten textbooks due

May 31st= Secondary textbooks due for periods 1-4

June 1st= Secondary textbooks due for periods 5-8

June 2nd= All elementary groups books due for students with no missing work

June 5th= Elementary students late work finished in groups and books returned

June 7th= Teaching materials due



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District Art Show

This year's District Art Show will be held on Friday May 12th, 5pm-8pm and Saturday May 13th, 9am-12pm at our West Valley 2 location, 3636 W 3100 S, West Valley City, UT 84120, in the Multi-Purpose Room. It will feature carefully selected artwork from Grades 1-12. We have three members of the art community coming to judge the works. The winners will be announced from each age group at 6.30pm. Please come along and support the students' efforts and talents.

The show will have light refreshments and brand new display boards! It will be an outstanding show!

1st Grade

Kaisha Brinkerhoff
Marko Jovanovic
Elizabeth Young
Skye Jensen
Jocelyn Nelson
Mia McDonald
Jared Maxfield
Charlotte Larsen
Chloe DeVries
Lexi Fidler

3rd Grade

Kelsie McBride
Stella Stark
Deken Knowles
Addison Dowdle
Gianna Cid
Olivia DeVries
Sofia Noel
Coleman West
Santiago Rodriguez-Hamon
Sophia Armstrong

5th

Megan Broadbent
Collin Scarbough
Kyla Harris
Benjamin Barrus
Alli Stewart
Grace Warner
Braxton Buckley
Peter Chapman
Sumer Tariq

2nd Grade

Saige Rosenvall
Carter McDonald
Adelyn Goudge
Morganne Strong
Isabelle Smith
Valeria Franco
Loyal Cook
Cael Squires
Estrella Rodriguez-Hamon
Lila Wixom

4th Grade

Sophia Muir
Spencer Headlee
Alli Sorenson
Lance Tello
Isaac Hardy
Damon Barnes
Shayla Koncurat
Makenzie Wagner
Jack Jensen
Dayna Jensen

6th Grade

Bridget Brown
Coleman Shupe
Nicole Huag
Marin Cahoon
Paige Nelson
Elena Hullinger
Dior Sanders
Claire Wright
Jacob Lever
Melia Timpson

Character Development

A HUGE thank you to those who volunteered and supported the 7th and 8th grade dinner and balls. Thank you to our 8th grade table coaches: Kelly Jensen, Alison Freeman, Pam and Jared Bennett, Michelle Leonard, Julie Rindlisbacher, Jill Woolley, Kristin Thomas, Jeffrey Parke, Kari Espinoza, Jennifer and Kale Carlile, Rachell Reid, Jen Brakey, Aly Tanner, Stephanie McVicar and Rebecca Dailey.

Also much thanks to those who supported in the kitchen and with food: Trinette Krebs, Gale Barnes, Kenna Okko and Ekaete and Hope Maxwell. There were others behind the scenes as well. YOU ARE APPRECIATED MORE THAN YOU KNOW!

Please come support our ballroom dance team on either Friday, May 12th or Saturday, May 13th at 7:00 p.m. in the gym. The team is excited to show off the many numbers they have been working on throughout the year. Donations are appreciated and will go to support costuming for the team next year.

11th and 12th grade students are invited to attend "A Trip to Hirosaki" prom. The dance will take place in the



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small gym at the West Valley 2 campus located at 3636 W. 3100 S. West Valley. Tickets are \$10 per student, \$18 per couple, \$25 with an outside guest. THIS WILL BE A NIGHT TO REMEMBER!

On Wednesday or Thursday, May 17th and 18th (please refer to your invitation for your date) ninth grade students are invited to "An Evening in Paris" from 4:30-10:00 p.m. at La Caille located at 9565 Wasatch Blvd. The parent honor dance will be held at 9:40 p.m. STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO PASS OFF ATTIRE AT THE AMBASSADOR OFFICE. Pictures can be emailed to sbroadhead@apamail.org.

After School Tutoring For Grades 3-12

If your student is struggling with schoolwork, APA's National Honor Society and Junior Honor Society are now hosting a peer-tutoring program after school on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays.

Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays 3:10 to 4:00 pm

Thursday 2:10 to 3:00 pm

Sessions will be held in Mrs. Dye's room (210). Elementary students are welcome to attend and receive help with any form of schoolwork. For questions, contact Mrs. Dye: ndye@apamail.org

Athletics and Activities

Basketball Open Gym

May 17th from 5:30 to 7:30 coach Beard and Coach Baldwin will be holding open gym for 5th-11th grade boys and girls that want to sharpen the skills they will need for next season.

Better When I'm Dancing': APA's spring Ballroom Dance Extravaganza

APA's Ballroom Company proudly invites you to a dance extravaganza! Come enjoy lyrical waltzes, toe-tapping swing steps, sizzling cha-cha and dazzling disco! Our school teams will be joined by special guest performers from the BYU Ballroom company and you might even catch some of our very own APA faculty showing off their moves! Admission is free, but we will gratefully accept donations at the door for next year's costume fund. Friday May 12th and Saturday May 13th at 7:00 pm.

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

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

Secondary News

Congratulations to our Secondary Speech Festival Winners!

1st Place - Dominic Maughn - Monologue from *Death of a Salesman*

2nd Place - Celeste Hompstead - Monologue from *Hamilton*

3rd Place - Malia Arnold - Monologue

EXPLORING COLLEGE OPTIONS with Top Tier Universities

Is your high school student serious about exploring a top-tier university such as Duke, Georgetown, Harvard, Penn State, or Stanford? Often we think these are out of reach and are impossible to visit. Representatives will be in Salt Lake City on Tuesday, May 23rd at 7:00 pm! You are invited to come and speak to representatives from these universities. You must register for this event. Go to www.exploringcollegeoptions.org to register for this event. You may also see any counselor for more information.



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The Paradigm Challenge Scholarship

The Paradigm Challenge is an annual competition that inspires youth to use STEM skills plus kindness, creativity, and collaboration to make a difference. The 2016-17 Challenge aims to generate new ideas to reduce waste in homes, schools, communities, and around the world. <http://www.projectparadigm.org/about-the-challenge>

Veterans of Foreign Wars - Voice of Democracy Essay Contest

The VFW is dedicated to promoting patriotism and investing in our future generation. If you are a democracy-loving high school student interested in a \$30,000 college scholarship or a patriotic middle school student interested in winning \$5,000, these scholarships may be for you. www.vfw.org, search for Voice of Democracy Essay Contest