



# AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

November 9, 2018

Draper 2



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Seussical The Musical

Holiday Boutique

Thanksgiving Break

Nov. 15th, 16th, 17th

Nov. 16th and 17th

Wed., Nov. 21 - Fri., Nov. 23

For updates, additional event information, and athletic events, please visit our campus website at:

<https://draper2.americanprep.org/>

### From the Directors' Desks

by Cathie Adamson and Kevin McVicar

#### **November Builder Theme: I am a Builder When I Show Gratitude in Word and Deed**

What a wonderful month we are having at American Prep! Veterans Assembly was such a great way to start our month showing gratitude in word and deed – with students writing letters, preparing songs, writing essays, and much more! More than 80 veterans joined us, with 8 of those serving in WWII, we spent a wonderful hour honoring them. The students sang patriotic songs, and we heard from inspirational speakers. Our veterans were presented with a letter from a student and a commemorative pin that read “Honored Veteran 2018 American Preparatory Academy”. Please ask your student(s) to share their thoughts and feelings about this special day and the important things we learned.



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It's easy to remember to use words like "Thank you" in showing gratitude, but there are so many others we can include: "You're so kind to help me with my math", or "I really enjoyed the lunch you packed for me today".

## **Watch the Live Stream Veterans Day Assembly**

If you would like to see the live stream that we did for our Assemblies today, please go to [live.ksl.com](http://live.ksl.com).

Scroll down to "Video on Demand", you should be able to watch one or both programs. Thank you to our *FANTASTIC* IT team who made this possible.

## **From the Academic Office**

By Lindsay Campbell

A lot of parents request that their student move groups in either reading or math. Thank you for following up and discussing that concern with your student's homeroom teacher.

Just as a reminder the first 30 lessons of most of our programs are review. The programs we use are built to have students review at the beginning of the year (especially in Saxon). After the request is made by you to the homeroom teacher, it will take a few days to get the change made. The homeroom teacher will talk to the group teachers to find out how the student is doing in the class. Some things they look for: Is the homework done every night? Are they participating well in class? Are they doing well on their tests?

After talking with the group teacher, if the student is above and beyond, or below and struggling, the homeroom teacher will take the group change to admin, who will then re-test the student to find a new group placement.

Thank you again for bringing this concern to the teachers so we can get all of our students in the correct placement!

## **WIDA TESTING**

Parents! at the beginning of the year when filling out enrollment there was a question asking if another language was spoken at home. If you answered "yes" to this question then we are required by state to give your student an English Language Learning test called WIDA. Students were given a screening test before Fall break, and some of you recently received letters with the results of this screener.

Based on your student's answers, they are given a score ranging from 1-6. A score of 5 or 6 is considered proficient and your student has "tested out" of the WIDA program. If your student scored between 1-4 you have the option of having English Language Services for your student. Most of these services are done in class; however, a select number of students will be pulled throughout the day (if needed) for more intensive English Language instruction. Students that are in the WIDA program will be tested again in January and May. Please sign the letter informing us whether or not you would like these services for your students.



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## **Library Books**

Ms. Gibbons, our amazing Curriculum Director here at Draper 2, has approximately 320 overdue books. That means that one fourth of our students have books that need to be returned to school as soon as possible.

Please help your students to remember to bring their books back to school in a timely manner. Thank you in advance for your help and for making Ms. Gibbons' job a lot easier. :o)

## **Flu Season Reminder**

Just a reminder about expectations regarding sick students. If your student has a fever or is vomiting, they are not to attend school. The CDC recommends that children be free of fever for at least 24 hours before returning to school. Flu season is especially bad this year. Keeping sick children home from school helps slow the spread of disease. Some symptoms of the flu include fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headaches, chills, fatigue, and sometimes diarrhea and vomiting. Hand hygiene is the number one way of preventing the transmission of disease. Please do your part to keep all our students healthy. Thank you.

## **School Lunch**

The menu for October, November, and December is now available! You can now order online - the link for online ordering can be found here: <https://www.americanprep.org/school-lunch-program/>

## **Coats and Jackets**

As the weather turns colder, please make sure that your students are dressed appropriately to go outside and enjoy recess. Our teachers and instructors will use their best judgement and may not let your student go out to recess if they do not have the proper coat/jacket.

Thank you in advance for your help in keeping our students warm and dry.

## **Seussical the Musical**

Come hurry on in, come all, to the most amazing event of the year—Seussical! Performed for just three fun-filled days, get your tickets now before this spectacular show sells out! Show dates are November 15, 16 and 17 at the D2 campus. Evening and matinee options are available.

To reserve your seats now go to:

<https://americanprepd3.yapsody.com/>

## **Carpool Corner**

Thank you for all your cooperation and for following our carpool protocols. Please remember to form two exit lines when traffic volume gets large enough to back up on our driveway. Alternate and zipper together at our exit and remember we can use the far right lane on Lone Peak Parkway when exiting.

We can still use more carpool volunteers. Please sign up below.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a45aea828aafc1-carpool1>



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## **SEUSSICAL PALOOZA!**

Party with Characters, Food, Photos, & Silent Auction! Includes a ticket to the Matinee show! \$20.00!!  
The Palooza Party starts at 11:00 am with the Matinee show at 2 pm.

**NOVEMBER 15TH, 16TH, 17TH**  
**EVENING \$10/\$12**  
**MATINEE \$8/\$10**  
**APA DRAPER 2 CAMPUS GYM**

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 INCLUDES A TICKET TO THE MATINEE SHOW! **\$20**

**RESERVED SEATING - BUY TICKETS ONLINE!**  
**AMERICANPREPD3.YAPSODY.COM**

## **YEARBOOK 2018/2019!!**

**Come one, come all, get your Draper 2 Elementary yearbook!! Yearbooks are now on sale.**

**Cost: Pre-sale pricing now through March 3, 2019:    March 4, 2019 through April 12, 2019:**

\$15.00 - soft cover

\$20.00 - soft cover

\$20.00 - hard cover

\$25.00 - hard cover

**ONLINE ORDERS ONLY, starting Monday, Nov. 5th!!**

**PAYMENT FOR YEARBOOKS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AT THE SCHOOL.**

Go to [bellphoto.com](http://bellphoto.com)

Click on Prepay

Enter school code: apadraper2yb2018

Click on Start and the gallery will open.

## **Parking for Assemblies**

When coming to the school for an assembly, please use visitor parking or the parking spaces along the east of the school next to the sheep field. Many of the numbered stalls are assigned to our staff. Thank you.





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## **From the Front Office**

To the three volunteers who came to help us this week: THAAAAANK YOU -- you saved our bacon! Volunteering in the front office is always fun and helps our school tremendously. Please come in and help; we need you!

We have a very limited stash of extra pants for students who've had a bathroom accident. If your student has come home in something you didn't buy them, will you please wash it and send it back to us? We are running desperately low and would really like to be able to help the students who will need it this coming month.

Along the same lines: if you have any size 5 or 6 khaki pants you want to get rid of, we will take them off your hands!

## **COATS:**

It is that time of year where students need a coat to go out to recess. If your student does not have a coat, he/she will spend their recess in their classroom. With that said, coats may only be worn while outside and should be hung up with their backpack upon returning to class. Should your student need to keep warm in the classroom, they do need to be in a navy blue cardigan.

## **Volunteer Opportunities!!**

YOU are needed in lots of many ways to keep YOUR school up and running in the way it should be. We ALWAYS do what's best for kids and your kids love seeing you here helping out. Below you will find lots of different opportunities to volunteer. Please consider coming in and helping out!

## **Seussical, the Musical**

### **EARN YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS BY HELPING WITH SEUSSICAL, THE MUSICAL!**

The Production Team needs LOTS of help! We have a smaller cast this year (including elementary students!), so we have fewer parents to handle the many tasks that are needed from amazing volunteers. Sign-up to help using the following link and help us have a great show! Tasks include food for meals, hair & makeup, ticket & concession sales, and more!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0445adae28a5fb6-seussical>

**\*Carpool Volunteer link** (if you'd like to help it run as smooth as silk!)

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0A45AEA828AAFC1-carpool1>

## **\*Front Office Volunteers Needed**

Hello, Families! Thank you so much to those who have come in to help! It's a fun volunteer assignment and we really appreciate your help. **The busiest time where help is needed the most is from 9:30-11:30 am . Please sign up now!**

Here is the link to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0544adac2ba1f58-american>



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## **Family Support Organization - Volunteer Opportunities**

Staff Appreciation Week will be February 11-15, 2019. We would love to have you join us on November 26th at 1:00 pm in the conference room as we begin to plan out this week long celebration of the staff at APA Draper 2.

As always we appreciate all of our volunteers and the time and energy they put into our school. Don't forget to turn in all of your volunteers hours!

**\*If you have volunteer hours, please record them on your weekly communication envelope or email your hours to [volunteerdraper2@apamail.org](mailto:volunteerdraper2@apamail.org)**

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FSO Director Draper 2  
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## **HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE... is NEXT WEEK!**

**PHOTOGRAPHERS AND OTHER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** APA's 3rd annual Holiday Boutique is next Friday, November 16 from 3-9 pm and Saturday, November 17 from 9am-12 noon.. Are you a photographer? Professional photographers aren't necessary, but if you have experience and can take family photos or photos with Santa, WE NEED YOU! We have backdrops that are being donated, but we still need chairs and decorations for Santa and Mrs. Claus. If this is something that you can do, we would love your help! Your time will go towards your required 20 volunteer hours. Additionally, we need MANY more volunteers to make this a successful event. Please go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d49abae2fa5fd0-2018> to sign up.

**BAKE SALE ITEMS NEEDED!** In conjunction with the Holiday Boutique, we will have a bake sale with all proceeds going to the Builders Club. We would love your homemade or store bought items. Donations must be received at the Draper 2 or Draper 3 office by noon on Friday, November 16. Please go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0D49ABAE2FA5FD0-holiday1> to sign up.

**ARTISTS WANTED!** We've extended the deadline for your young artists' artwork submissions to our Holiday Boutique Art Gallery to this coming Tuesday, November 13. We would love any and all art! As a reminder, this is something that they will do on their own, outside of art class. We look forward to seeing the talents and creativity of our APA students! Please direct any questions to [apadraper2events@gmail.com](mailto:apadraper2events@gmail.com).

**HOLIDAY GIFT WORKSHOP:** Our weekly Holiday Gift Workshop begins this coming Tuesday, November 13. The cost is \$10 per week for the 1st child and just \$5 per additional child. Register your child(ren) for all 4 weeks and receive a 20% discount. We will meet from 3:30 to 4:30 each Tuesday, making holiday gifts for parents and loved ones. Registration and payment must be received no later than the day before each workshop (Monday). Please email [apadraper2events@gmail.com](mailto:apadraper2events@gmail.com) with questions. A registration form was attached to your child's Learning Plan last week.

Thank you so much for your help in making this fundraiser a success! We appreciate you!



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## Character Development

by Mandy Brown

THANK YOU to our OUTSTANDING volunteers who made our first ever College Fair last Friday a huge success. They put in an incredible amount of time and effort and the students had a WONDERFUL time as a result. We couldn't have done our event without the amazing contributions of: MARCUS BROWN, JO ELLEN CHAPPELL, MICHELLE GOUDGE, CHARLES HARDY, STEPHANIE HENDERSON, MARSHALL MCCARTY, STEPHANIE MCVICAR, LIZ PAPENFUSS, STACIE PETERSEN, MARCO AND MARIA SANCHEZ, ANDREA SAWATZKI, HEATHER WALL, AND JILL WELCH!!!! We also gratefully acknowledge the gracious donations from BYU, Cottey College, Michigan State University, Snow College, Utah State University; the companies IHC, 3M, L3; and the donations from our parent volunteers at the college fair for the "give-aways" that our students received there. THANK YOU!!!

## Love And Logic

### Balancing Busy Families

Many parents ask, "Is it really possible to raise well-adjusted kids while at the same time trying to manage an incredibly hectic and stressful work and family life?" One mom described their situation:

We try to live a simple and frugal lifestyle. Even with keeping our spending as low as possible, both of us still have to work full schedules just to provide for the basics. With three young children things get a little crazy. The house almost always feels like a mess, and we have very little energy left over to spend with the kids. Both of us feel terribly guilty about this much of the time.

Some parents spend almost no time with their kids because they are addicted to work, addicted to buying extra stuff, addicted to selfish activities or all three. Many others, however, find themselves having to work their fingers to the bone because they simply don't have a choice.

Here are some words of encouragement.....and some tips.....for this second type:

**\*\*Many well-adjusted adults grew up with exceptionally busy parents.**

The key to this seems to be this: As children, they were not shielded from their family's economic struggles. Their parents were honest about the challenges and consistently modeled hopeful, positive attitudes. As such, they internalized the truth that they were deeply loved even though their parents weren't able to spend as much time with them as they wanted.

**\*\*Remember that guilt often interferes with good parenting.**

When we allow guilt to interfere with our ability to set and enforce loving limits and expectations, our kids suffer.

**\*\*Don't be afraid to ask for help with supervision.**

Kids of all ages need good supervision. Without it, even very good kids often get involved in drugs, alcohol, early sex, and other high-risk behaviors.

**\*\*You are doing a good and noble thing by taking care of the needs of your family.**

This is wonderful modeling, and it sends a powerful message of love to your kids.



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Busy parents often find it helpful to listen to our audios as they travel to and from work. Without having to spend large amounts of time reading, they can learn ideas for making the very best of the limited time they have with their kids.

Thanks for reading!! Our goal is to help as many families as possible.

*Dr. Charles Fay*

To receive the Love and Logic newsletter and tips, go to their website:

<https://www.loveandlogic.com/>

