



**SEPTEMBER BUILDER THEME:  
"I am a builder when I build with enthusiasm!"**

**CALENDAR**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Monday, September 30</li> <li>● Tuesday, October 1</li> <li>● Friday, October 4</li> <li>● Friday, October 4</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Term 1 RU Logs Due 3:45pm</li> <li>1st-3rd Grade Field Trips</li> <li>Missing Work Term 1 Deadline 12pm</li> <li>16th Annual Student Essay Contest               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Honoring Veterans Day 2024 (see attached)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Friday, October 4</li> <li>● Friday, October 4</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spirit Wear Day!</li> <li><b>Early Dismissal 12:15pm/12:30pm/12:45pm</b></li> <li>● Elementary Grading Day</li> </ul>  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Friday, October 11</li> <li>● October 14-October 18</li> <li>● Friday, October 25</li> </ul>                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sixth Grade Take Flight Event</li> <li><b>NO School-Fall Break</b></li> <li>Fifth Grade Friendship Event</li> </ul>  |

**LOST AND FOUND**

With the change in weather, we have noticed there are a lot of cardigans in our lost and found. Of course, there are plenty of other things as well. Please take a moment to come in and see if you can find anything your student might be missing. The lost and found is usually cleaned out and items donated during each break.

**FIELD TRIP DONATIONS**

The cost of buses for field trips is about \$10.00 per student per trip. We would appreciate your kind donation to support these experiences (\$10 for Kindergarten, \$20 for grades 1-6). Although we hope to receive donations from every parent, we welcome donations of a greater amount to help cover where we may fall short. Please use this link for donations.

→ [Field Trip Donation Link](#)

**NEEDED: THREE LAND TRUST COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

We are in need of three parents to attend our upcoming Land Trust Committee Meeting. It is on Wednesday November 20th from 1 to 2pm at Draper 2. If you are interested, please email Lisa Stark at [lstark@apamail.org](mailto:lstark@apamail.org).

## JOIN OUR PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC)



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Join our  
**Parent Advisory Committee**

Every school must have a Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) comprising of school administration and parents, with parents being the majority of the committee. The PAC generally meets 4 times per year and participates in developing the Annual School Plan, in deciding how the Land Trust monies will be spent, along with other matters important to our students at American Preparatory Academy.

You can find more information on the Parent Advisory Committee on our website. The school website contains information about:

- Who is on the council • Council meeting schedule for the year
- Agendas of upcoming council meetings • How the money was spent last year
- How much money came to the school this year

If you are interested in serving on your school's Parent Advisory Committee, please let your Administrator know.



## FALL FESTIVAL REPORT

THANK YOU for your enthusiastic support of our fall festival on the 13th. We couldn't have done it without so many wonderful parent volunteers. We appreciate the time you gave, the goods you donated, and the teams you supported by purchasing wristbands, tickets and meals. We raised over \$13,000 for our high school teams/organizations and for our Teacher Excellence Fund. We hope you and your families had a wonderful evening. THANK YOU for being an INCREDIBLE school community!!!



## CONSTITUTION DAY

We had a wonderful reading as a school of our Constitution last Tuesday. If you missed the chance to see it, you can view the recording here: <https://vimeo.com/event/4556736>

## Save the date SIXTH GRADE!

We have our first Character Development event "Take Flight" on FRIDAY October 11th during our school day (12:30 until 3:15). We LOVE to have parent volunteers that day. Watch for a sign up from your teachers soon!

## Save the date FIFTH GRADE!

We have our first Character Development event "Friendship" on FRIDAY October 25th during our school day (12:30 until 3:15). We LOVE to have parent volunteers that day. Watch for a sign up from your teachers soon!

# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- Reading University Help! Please use the link to get signed up to help with the Reading University store.  
→ [RU Store Sign-Up Link](#)
- We love our parent volunteers and so appreciate working together to create an amazing experience for students, staff and families. Please take a moment to sign up and volunteer for all that this year has in store.  
→ [FSO Volunteer Sign-Up Link](#)

## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

### Art

Classes begin October 23rd and 24th. Students will learn, beginning drawing using graphite and charcoal. There will be focus on perspectives, shapes, sizes, shadowing, and many other beginner topics. All supplies will be provided and collected at the end of each class. Student drawings will be compiled and sent home with them at the end of each term. Contact Mary White with questions at [mary@utahartworkexpress.com](mailto:mary@utahartworkexpress.com)

The cost breakdown is as follows:

a. **Term 2** (Oct 23/24 - Dec 18/19)

\*No class during the week of Halloween or Thanksgiving break

7 classes = \$130 Wed or Thurs

14 classes = \$190 both Wed/Thurs

a. **Term 3** (Jan 8/9 - Feb 12/13)

6 classes = \$120 Wed or Thurs

12 classes = \$180 both Wed/Thurs

a. **Term 4** (Feb 26/27 - Apr 2/3)

6 classes = \$120 Wed or Thurs

12 classes = \$180 both Wed/Thurs

a. **Term 5** (Apr 16/17 - May 28/29)

\*no class the last week of school

7 classes = \$130 Wed or Thurs

14 classes = \$190 both Wed/Thurs

### Science

Super Science sessions begin after the October break on Wednesdays for 3rd & 4th grades and Thursdays for 5th & 6th Grades. Cost is \$115 for a 7 week course from 2:45pm-4pm. Email Tori Andersen for more information or to sign up [simplysuperscience@gmail.com](mailto:simplysuperscience@gmail.com) Venmo: SimplySuperScience

### Yoga

Come join us to build strength and flexibility while making friends! Sessions starting October 2nd.

Kindergarten-3rd Grades

2:45-3:45 pm

Session 1 Class dates: Wednesdays October 2, 9, 23 and 30

Cost is \$32 (only \$8 per class)

20 students per class, 8 student minimum

I will provide yoga mats and a snack. Your child is welcome to change clothes or come in uniform.

- Typical class structure 2:45-3:00pm. Change clothes and gather. Eat a snack and get wiggles out.
- 3:00-3:35pm Yoga Flow with 5 minutes of silent meditation at the end. 3:35 Clean mats/collect backpacks and meet parents on the playground at 3:45.

Email Sariah Crafts for more information or to sign up: [sariah@culinarycrafts.com](mailto:sariah@culinarycrafts.com) 801-400-7456

Payments made via venmo: @Sariah-Crafts (with verification #7456) or cash brought to the first day of class.

## Math Counts

Math Counts is back! Math Counts is a math competition club for students in 6th-8th grade.

- All students who are interested in participating in MathCounts should apply by completing the [online application](#).
- Only students in grades 6, 7, & 8 are eligible to participate in MathCounts.
- Our first MathCounts practice will be **Tuesday, September 24th** from **3:15 - 4:00 PM**, at the D3 campus in Room 125 (Ms. Gow's Room)
- The annual MathCounts competition will take place in February 2025.
- Draper MathCounts Coach is: Mr. Henry Brunisholz (D2 classroom instructor and math teacher) His email address is [hbrunisholz@apamail.org](mailto:hbrunisholz@apamail.org)

# APA is ENROLLING

— APPLY NOW —

**Call or Text**  
**385-217-4108**  
**to speak with an Enrollment Specialist**

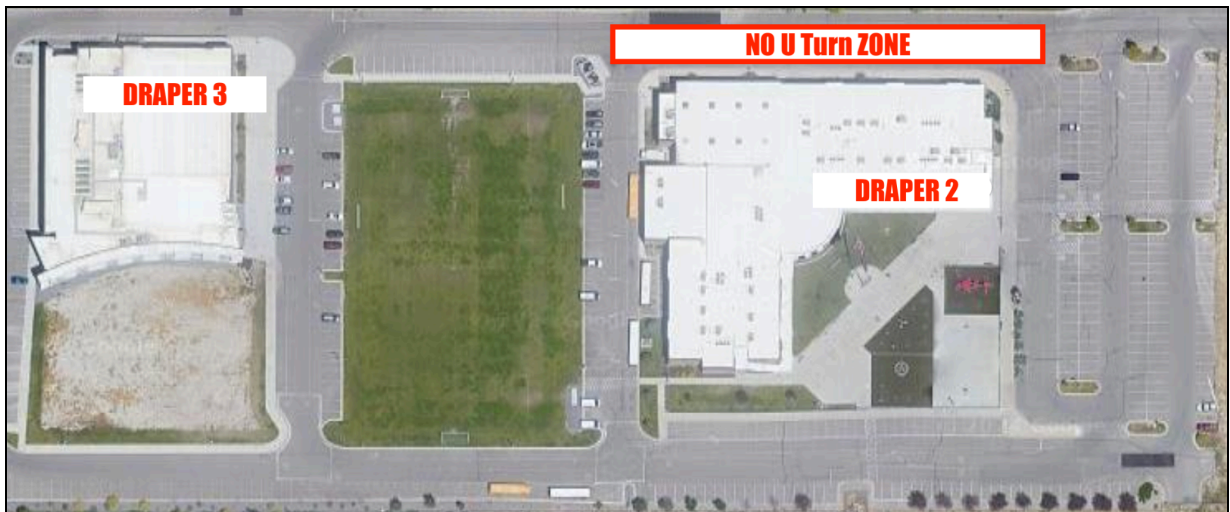


**NEW STUDENT APPLICATIONS**

SCHEDULE A TOUR TODAY

# DROP OFF/PICK UP REMINDERS

- **DO PULL ALL THE WAY FORWARD AT THE CURB.**  
Right when you get to the curb, isn't always the best time for your student to exit the vehicle. Please pull ALL the way forward before letting your student exit. This is a tremendous help, in keeping traffic moving.
- **DO NOT-GET OUT OF THE CAR AT THE CURB.**  
Make sure the learning plan is signed well before you get to the curb and please be sure to say your goodbyes as you approach the curb. This will help in a speedy exit from the vehicle. If these things aren't done, please park to get them taken care of.
- **DO NOT-USE THE NEIGHBORHOOD OR COMMERCIAL BUSINESSES TO TURN AROUND.**  
Just plan your arrival route from 114th and departure to 123rd.  
There should be NO cutting through the neighborhood from where Bob is standing and the next two blocks.
- **DO-MERGE INTO THE RIGHT LANE APPROACHING THE SCHOOL SAFELY & WELL BEFORE THE ENTRY.**  
Be courteous to others.
- **DO-USE MOBILE DEVICES ONLY WHEN PARKED- NOT while moving.**  
Staff will ask you to put the phone down while you are moving. YOUR student is out there too.
- **DO NOT-PARK AND WALK THE CURB TO SEARCH FOR YOUR STUDENT.**  
The only people on any curb should be students and staff ONLY. This is a safety concern and there are NO exceptions!
- **DO NOT-USE THE FIRE LANE (MIDDLE LANE) AT ANY TIME OF DAY FOR ANY REASON.**  
This lane is NOT to be used by any staff or students. Please keep this lane clear at all times.
- **DO NOT-MAKE A U TURN! ANYWHERE REALLY, BUT ESPECIALLY IN THE "NO U TURN ZONE" SHOWN BELOW.**  
PLEASE follow the correct lane instructions to get to your curb safely and to ensure others can get to their curb safely.
- **DO NOT-PARK IN A NUMBERED PARKING SPOT**  
The numbered parking spots are assigned parking for staff members. Please look for a "Visitor" parking spot.



**PLAN AHEAD, EXPECT DELAYS, BE PATIENT, SMILE AND ALWAYS THANK STAFF FOR BEING OUT AT THE CURB TO MAKE SURE YOUR STUDENTS STAY SAFE!**



## **16<sup>th</sup> Annual Student Essay Contest Honoring Veterans Day 2024**

### **2 Topics for Selection**

- Tribute to our nation's veterans, which may include:
  - Why I am grateful for our nation's veterans ...
  - I enjoy many freedoms because of our veterans ...
  - Ordinary citizens can honor a veteran by ...
- A tribute to a special veteran
  - If you have a relative or friend who you would like to write about, we welcome stories and pictures if you have them.

### **Essay Contest Rules**

To be eligible for the 2023 essay contest, you must:

- Be a 4<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup>-grade student at American Preparatory Academy
- Write only one essay per person
- Write an original essay picking from the two topics above

### **Judging Criteria**

Entries will be judged by APA teachers and administration. Judging will include:

- Power of the message in the essay
- Clarity of thought
- Spelling, punctuation, and grammar
- Overall comprehension of the topic

**DEADLINE: Friday, October 4th at 12:45 p.m., turned into your homeroom teacher**

**This is a great opportunity to show appreciation to our veterans and a great way to showcase your talents and skills!**

**Winners will receive school recognition and be asked to present their essays at this year's Veterans Day Assembly.**

**BE A PART OF SOMETHING GREAT!!**

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