



## School Calendar – WVI Campus

October 27, 2016

Check the website calendar for all practices, rehearsals and clubs @ <http://westvalley1.americanprep.org/>

West Valley One Facebook link: <https://www.facebook.com/americanprepWVI>

October 27 & 28	Elementary Parent Teacher Conferences
October 27 & 28	No Sistema, No Collegium Hall
Friday, Oct 28	No school for Elementary/Regular schedule for Jr. High
Monday, Oct 31	All Students Early Dismissal – 12:15/12:25 Professional Teacher Development
November 2	7 <sup>th</sup> grade Explore Test 8:15
	8 <sup>th</sup> - 9 <sup>th</sup> grade PSAT test 8:15
Friday, Nov 4	1st – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Field Trips
Wednesday, November 9	7th and 8th Grade Ambassador Event: APA Rising Stars
Friday, Nov 11	Veterans Day Assembly – 9:45 am
Saturday, Nov 12	6 <sup>th</sup> -9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Boys – Empowering Your Tomorrow

### Other Dates

Tuesday, Nov 15	Picture Retake
November 18 & 19	USU Parent Summit – Logan sign up deadline by Nov 1 <sup>st</sup> .
November 22	Governing Board Meeting 4:30 pm
Nov 23, 24 & 25	NO School Thanksgiving Break
Wednesday, Nov 30	SMILE Dental Program
Thursday, December 1	Secondary Parent/Teacher Conferences
Friday, December 2	Secondary Parent/Teacher Conferences

### October’s Builder Theme - I am a Builder when I am Demonstrating Integrity

People will not follow leaders whom they do not trust. Great leaders, trusted leaders demonstrate integrity and in doing so, achieve the faith and confidence of their workers, colleagues and peers, who then become willing followers, loyal employees and trusted coworkers. This important characteristic is an integral step on the road to success for the great leaders of the future.

### Parent Resources During Elementary Conference Times

During our conference times on October 27 & 28, we will have a computer lab set up for parents who still need help learning to access their students grades on ALMA. Staff will be on hand to teach you how to check for missing assignments and grades.

We will be holding three “APA Parent Q&A” meetings during this time as well. If you are a new parent this year, if you are a parent who missed “Back to School Night”, or if you are a parent with questions—please plan on attending one of these meetings. They will be in the conference room and will last 30-45 minutes:

Thurs. Oct. 27:	5:00 pm
Friday, Oct. 28:	8:30 am
Friday, Oct. 28:	12:00 noon

### 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Field Trips – Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016

1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	– Museum of Natural Curiosity – 9:00 am – 2:45 pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	– Wheeler Farm & Tracy Aviary – 9:00 am – 3:15 pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	– Museum of Natural History - 9:15 am – 1:30 pm



## Halloween Costumes? Not At School! What a Treat!

A few parents have asked if they need to provide costumes for their students for later this month. Good news! The answer is “*no*.” Most parents are relieved to know this. If you are one who has anticipated this celebration at prior schools and are disappointed at this news, let me explain. In our quest to remain focused on our mission of academic achievement and character development for every student, we guard our time resources very closely. VERY closely. We look at every activity and every program and evaluate it carefully on how effectively it helps us achieve these goals. Because of this, we typically do not celebrate holidays in the way that other schools traditionally do. Don’t panic! This does not mean we don’t have fun!

We celebrate our students’ learning with grade level celebrations that happen regularly as fun, culminating activities that go along with our units of study in history and science—but we do not use academic time for holiday parties or costume parades. Halloween isn’t celebrated at school. Neither is Christmas. There are only a few holidays that are celebrated or acknowledged during the school year. For more information on these, please refer to your Parent/Student handbook.

## Year Book

### **\*\*Parents, volunteers and staff\*\***

We are excited to be getting a head start on our school yearbook, but we need your help! We would love it if you could send in any pictures you have taken at APA events or activities thus far and continue to submit them through out the year. We want to showcase our wonderful students, so if you have photos you can share with us go to [www.hjeshare.com](http://www.hjeshare.com) and use the code: *APAWVi* and upload them. Thank you for your help! (information on yearbook sales coming soon)

## Picture RETAKE – Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Student pictures RE-TAKE will be taken throughout the day for all grades. Please make sure your student looks their best in their uniform. Also, please give your student the order form and check payable to Bell Photographers, Inc., money order or **EXACT AMOUNT OF CASH on this day to give to photographer**, order online before Picture Day at Bell photographers, Inc. [www.bellphoto.com](http://www.bellphoto.com) online password *apawvc12016*

If you have questions call to Bell photographers at 801.479.4624

## English Class

We are excited to announce that English classes. Everybody is welcome to come, bring your friends and come have fun learning English. The classes are **free** and are open to everyone who would like to improve their English skills. The days and times are on Monday & Wednesday, from 8:30-9:15 am.

## Fresh Fruits and Vegetables

### Orange Raspberries

Orange raspberries otherwise known as Sunshine berries are a derivative from the ever popular red raspberry. Did you know you can actually get raspberries grown in our country (mainly California) in three main colors, Orange, gold and red? Raspberries are a great source of vitamin C and dietary fiber. Raspberries were once known as only a summertime crop. Because of innovative technology and different cultivars we can now enjoy this delicious fruit year round. There is not much flavor difference from color to color but they do offer a great mix in color presentation for specific meal preparations or snacks. It has been proven that presentation and appearance of food can greatly enhance the food to be eaten or not. Enjoy these sweet delicious beauties.



### Box Top Contest –

This year, our school's goal is to reach \$4000.00 and each Box Top you bring in will help us to reach that goal!

The winner for our first "Class Against Class" Contest is ...Ms. Romero's class and Ms. Larsen's class, Congratulations, they going to enjoy a surprise activity.

**For our Second Term Contest is Grade vs. Grade**, Bring your Box Tops into school in Ziploc bags labels with your child's name and classroom so we can credit your class. Good Luck and let the game begin.

### VETERANS DAY ASSEMBLY

Veterans Day is quickly approaching and we have planned a spectacular event to honor those who have served. 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 you will find a beautiful invitation to our Veterans Day events to be held on Friday, November 11th. Please take the time to invite your veteran neighbors, coworkers, friends, and family members. 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 name tags confirming their admission.

RSVPs to the Front Office at (801) 839-3613 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, but not early.

The assembly will take place from 9:45am to 10:45am . Veterans and their guests are invited to attend a reception with refreshments beginning at 8:45am. *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](http://www.americanprep.org)).

Volunteer Opportunity - If you would like to volunteer (and guarantee yourself a seat in one of the assemblies), please sign up by contacting the Front Office 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.

Parking - Parking is going to be very limited. Veterans are the **only** guests that will be allowed to park in our parking lot. Everyone else will need to park on the side streets or in business parking lots nearby.

Classroom Visits - We welcome our 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.



### **School Lunch –**

Please be sure your student has lunch on Monday! They can bring a home lunch or can order a school lunch online @ [utahsmartlunches.com](http://utahsmartlunches.com). Orders must be placed by midnight of the day before. If you have questions, please e-mail Mrs. Kristine Stevens—[kstevens@apamail.org](mailto:kstevens@apamail.org). APA is looking to train a district-wide sub for the School Lunch Program. When subbing, the time frame each day would be 8:00 - 12:30. All four campuses in the Salt Lake County have the lunch program. If you are interested in being trained for this part-time position, please contact Debra Davies [ddavies@apamail.org](mailto:ddavies@apamail.org).

### **Lagoon FUNdraiser!**

Please participate in the 2016 Lagoon Education Foundation Fundraiser. The more tickets sold using the promo code (APAI6), the more money donated to American Preparatory Academy. Attached is a coupon that can be used at a Lagoon ticket window. The promo code can be used to purchase up to 8 tickets per transaction online, at the link provided below. Please feel free to distribute this promo code to family and friends.

<https://www.lagoonpark.com/buy-tickets/>

### **American Prep promo code: APAI6**

*The discount/fundraiser is only valid September 16- October 30, 2016.*

### **Volunteer Corner**

- **Veterans Day Assembly Volunteers-**

On Friday, November 11 we will be welcoming both veterans and dignitaries into our school for our wonderful honoring our veterans and those who gave their life for freedom. We need parents to help set up the reception, sign our guests in, help serve a light continental breakfast at the reception, and parents to help clean up. The food will be provided. Plan to arrive before 7:30 am if you're setting up, 8:15 am if you're helping during the reception, or at 9:00 am if you're helping clean up. Please sign up at the volunteer table in the school lobby. THANK YOU!

- **Holiday Boutique**

The Draper 2 campus will be holding its first annual Holiday Boutique Friday, November 18 (5-8pm) and Saturday, November 19 (9am-1pm). If you have an interest in being a vendor, please go to <https://www.facebook.com/groups/apaboutiquevendors/> for more information. Please also pass this information on to friends and family who may be interested. And save the dates. This is a great fundraiser for APA and a great way to support many local businesses. You may also contact Michelle Goudge at [apadraper2events.com](http://apadraper2events.com) with any questions.

- **Ambassador Activities**

Parents! Volunteers are needed and welcome, please contact Hailey Stevens at [hstevens@apamail.org](mailto:hstevens@apamail.org) or call the Jr. High office at 801.839.3613 ext. 139.



## Jr. High News

Parents and Students,

Next week on Wednesday November 2nd we will be having the Explore test for 7th and 8th grade students and the PSAT for 9th grade students. This is a great test to begin to prepare our students for the college entrance exams, the ACT and the SAT. Please ensure your students are well rested and well fed going in to the test. We have seen a great improvement in student success when they are rested and fed.

The test should take about 4 hours to complete and there will be ample break time between sections. This is one of the tests we use to compare our student achievement against the national standard. We do not report individual student data to the state or the nation, we only use the data internally. If you have concerns with your student taking this test please contact Mr. Sheneman.

## AMBASSADORS

### 7th and 8th Grade Ambassador Event: APA Rising Stars

On Wednesday, November 9th from 1:00pm to 3:45pm all 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will be participating in the Rising Stars Ambassador Event where they will be learning the secrets of accepting invitations, how to be confident, American Style cutting techniques with food, and much, much more! We are so excited to have the students and their teachers there to participate in this fun event!

\* Note: This is a required event and will be included in students 4<sup>th</sup> period Ambassador Hour grade.

Parents! Volunteers are needed and welcome! We need volunteers to be team leaders to help students rotate between stations, and assist with setup and cleanup. You are going to love to be a part of all of the fun festivities we have planned! If you are available to help for any amount of time, please contact Hailey Stevens at [hstevens@apamail.org](mailto:hstevens@apamail.org) or call the Jr. High office at 801.839.3613 ext. 139.

## Parents of 6th - 11th Graders—USU Parent Summit

Our GEAR UP grant partner, Utah State University, is providing WV1 & WV2 parents and guardians of 6<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> grade students a WONDERFUL opportunity for an overnight campus visit! The event occurs on November 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> on the USU campus in Logan, Utah. Workshops will address many areas about your student's future college process, including: admissions, financial aid, ACT information, and a USU Physics demo show! You will stay for FREE at the University Inn. You will also be provided complementary meals and famous Aggie Ice Cream! You only need to provide your own transportation to Logan or form a carpool with other parents.

If interested, please send an email to Amberley Motz at [amotz@apamail.org](mailto:amotz@apamail.org). Include: 1) your name, 2) student names and grades, and 3) the campus your student(s) attend. Once we know of your interest, we will share information with you on how to register. *This event is for adults only.*



## After-school programs

### Elementary:

- Knights of the Game Table:** Mondays - 3:50-4:50 pm
- Robotics Club:** Thursdays - 2:50-4:00 pm
- Sistema:** MTF - 3:50-6:30 pm, W-Th - 2:50-5:30 pm

### Secondary:

- Latin Club:** Monday and Thursday - during 2<sup>nd</sup> dismissal
- 7th Grade Art Club:** Mondays - 3:30 – 5:00 pm
- S.T.E.A.M Club:** Every other Wednesday – 2:30 – 4:00 pm
- Math Club:** Tuesday – 4:00-5:00 pm, Wednesday - 3:00-4:00 pm
- Collegium Hall:** M-T-F - 3:30-6:30 pm, W-Th - 2:30-5:30 pm

For safety reasons, please come into the building to pick up your student during afterschool hours. If you have any questions, please contact our Afterschool Director, Amberley Motz, at [amotz@apamail.org](mailto:amotz@apamail.org).

**\*\*Please remember: Sistema students are invited to participate in one club at a time. If your child has expressed interest in multiple clubs, they will be directed to choose one as a focus.**

## Collegium Hall

During the first term, our junior high students completed 1,910 assignments in Collegium Hall! Way to go! For this next term, we hope to complete more than 2,000 assignments. All parents are welcome to come and visit their students in the Collegium Hall classrooms after school. We invite you to talk with the mentors to know what your student is completing in Collegium Hall and how you can help them with homework at home.

## Sistema **MAKE A NOTE!**

NO SISTEMA on any Friday in October.

- **Oct. 27-28 No Sistema**—Elementary Parent Teacher Conferences
- **Oct. 31 No Sistema**—Early Out for Teacher Professional Development
- **Nov. 23-25 No School**—Thanksgiving Break
- **Friday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> 6:00--** Sistema Winter Concert

- **Ensemble Days:**

Every Friday in the month of November we will have ensemble day. This gives the kids to have an opportunity to participate in a band or orchestra. We are currently practicing songs for our winter concert. We have done ensemble days in September and the kids really love to be there. We had many parents try to pick up their kids early and the children were so sad. We will have different workshops that students rotate to during ensemble day. We feel the importance of the students participating with the different instrument groups.

- **Logan Trip:**

We were so honored to be able to perform Ode to Joy from Beethoven's Ninth Symphony conducted by Sergio Bernal. There were 175 performers. Our Sistema Strings from WV1 and 2 performed along with Utah State University Symphony Orchestra, Utah State University Chamber Singers and our Sistema friends from St. Thomas Aquinas. The spectacular even was captured and is available to view on YouTube (<https://youtu.be/EOjIqRSojnQ>). While at Utah State we were able to tour the School of Music. The students



were excited to see the different rooms and asked great questions. We are so grateful for the many parents and friends who helped support us and made this fun memorable trip possible.

## **Community Corner**

\* **What's living in your neighborhood? SLC Neighborhood Naturalists invite you to find out!**

Fred & Ila Rose Fife Wetland Preserve - 952 South 1100 West

Saturday, October 29, 2016 – 10:00am – 1:00 pm

SLC Neighborhood Naturalists is free and open to the public. Enjoy time outside with family and friends. Learn to use iNaturalist, a free app that helps you explore nature. Help improve the health of nature in your neighborhood.

Presentation and materials provided in English and Spanish. For more information: [nhmu.utah.edu/slcnn](http://nhmu.utah.edu/slcnn)

The first 100 people to register online will receive two free tickets to the Museum

\* **Comcast** is offering very affordable Internet to any family who is on the Federal Free Reduced Lunch program. Just \$9.99 instead of \$40.

They also offer quality laptops to families in need for just \$150. <https://internetessentials.com/>