



Check the website calendar for all practices, rehearsals and clubs @ <http://westvalley1.americanprep.org/>
West Valley One Facebook link: <https://www.facebook.com/americanprepWV1>

April 16-20 - Mon, Tues & Friday - 8:15 – 3:25/3:50 2nd Dismissal
Wed & Thurs – 8:15 – 2:25/2:50 2nd Dismissal

Thursday, April 12	5 th & 6 th Grade Galaxy Quest - 1:10-3:45 pm
Thursday, April 12	Parent Dance Social - 4:30-6:30 pm - WV2 - CHANGE OF CAMPUS
April 13 & 14	District Art Show - WV2 Campus - Friday - 5:00-7:30 pm, Saturday-9:00am-12:00pm
Thursday, April 19	Secondary Parents - AP Parent Night - 5:30-6:30 pm at WV2
Friday, April 20	7 th Grade New York Ball - 12:00-3:00 pm OR 4:00-7:00pm (Students assigned a time)
	8 th Grade New York Dinner and Ball - 5:00-10:00 pm
Saturday, Apr 21	COMCAST CARES DAY--Have you signed up!

Upcoming Events

April 23-May 4	Elementary SAGE TESTING/SAT
May 7-18	Jr. High SAGE TESTING
Monday, May 7	Professional Development - Early Dismissal - 12:15 pm
Tuesday, May 15	9 th Grade Formal Dinner and Ball at LaCaille - 4:30-10:00 pm
Tuesday, May 15	4 th -6 th Field Trips
Friday, May 25	K-3 rd Field Trips



April Builder's Theme
"I am a Builder when I use Kind and Courteous Words"



It's never too late. Even if you haven't used these polite words and phrases all your life, it's never too late to start. Practice holding polite conversations with family and close friends until you're comfortable. Eventually, speaking politely will become second nature to you. Here are some of the most common words and phrases that anyone who cares about proper etiquette should incorporate into their everyday language:

- Please – This is one of those words that can show good manners or come across as sarcastic, based on your tone. Any time you ask for something, it's always a good idea to add this word to soften the request.
- You're welcome – When someone says, "Thank you," your instant response should be, "You're welcome," "You're certainly welcome," or some variation that feels comfortable to you. Another way to express the same thought is, "I was happy to do it," or, "My pleasure."
- Thank you – When someone does something nice for you or gives you a gift, you should always say, "Thank you," even if it's not something you like. Not doing so gives the impression that you feel entitled to whatever it is, and that can leave a sour taste in a mannerly person's mouth.
- May I – The phrase "may I" puts you on the same side as the person you are speaking to. It gives the other person the feeling that you empathize, without your having to say that. For example, when you say, "May I see that book?" you give the person an opportunity to share what she is looking at.
- Excuse me – This is an acknowledgment that you are asking forgiveness for leaving the table, coughing, or otherwise disrupting something you are engaged in.
- Pardon me – This phrase is interchangeable with "excuse me." Pardon me sounds more formal.
- I beg your pardon – Some people, particularly those who learned manners from Southern belle moms, would never have said, "What?" when asking someone to repeat what they'd just said. Many of us were told that "I beg your pardon" was more polite and less harsh.
- I'm sorry – When you make a mistake, hurt someone's feelings, or do something that you know you shouldn't have done, saying, "I'm sorry," is always the first thing you should say. You're acknowledging your faux pas and letting the other person know you regret having done whatever it was.



I would like to express my sincere gratitude for all the hard work you put in making ALL staff feel special. I am sure you worked long hours in planning this event and probably some of you came in to help out on your day off or even had to arrange your week so you can help out, so thank you. Everything that was done was well thought out, from the AMAZING decoration to the DELICIOUS food. From the look of the staff I can tell everyone was happy and full => so once again I want to say THANK YOU, THANK YOU. Not only for the pleasant surprise, but for all that you do for your students. We recognize that the following equation >> Parent support + School support = Student success << would not be possible without YOU.
THANK YOU!

Reading University Winners

K - Antalya Alexander

K - William Orwin

1st - Damian Ayala Lozoya

1st - Alexandra McEvoy

2nd - Erik Jardon-Castillo

2nd - Isaiah Orona

3rd - Boston Corona

3rd - Montserrat Cuevas Garcia

4th - Finau Tukuafu

4th - Aerin Watson

5th - Nirvana Mendoza-Frias

5th - Izabella Young

6th - Hannah Morales

6th - Flavio Vargas-Rosales

District Art Show

APA's Annual District Art Show is coming up quickly! The Art Show will feature carefully selected work from grades 1-12 across the APA district. We will have three members of the art community coming to judge the works and award prizes. Please come support our students' efforts and talents! Displays at West Valley 2.

Friday, April 13th 5:00-7:30 pm
Saturday, April 14th, 9:00 am-12 Noon

Winners from each age group will be announced at a reception on Friday, April 13th at 6:30pm. The West Valley 2 campus is located at 3636 W 3100 S, WVC, UT 84120

COMCAST CARES DAY UPDATE! SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 21st.

What an incredible APA community this is! We have met AND surpassed our goal of having 600 volunteers signed up and are now approaching the record beating state goal! This is going to be grand day of service! It is not too late to sign up and forms are available in the front hall of the school. Here are some NEW frequently asked questions—and answers!

Q. Should we bring any supplies?

A. If you have work gloves, extra shovels or rakes, power drills/screwdrivers—these would all be helpful! Be sure to put your name on your things!

Q. Where will we park if the parking lot is already full?

A. Extra parking will be available at the Cultural Celebration Center and we will be running a shuttle to and from the school. Some of the areas where we usually have overflow parking are areas that are being worked on—so we are grateful to be able to use a shuttle system.

Q. I might be late—is that okay?

A. Please come whenever you can. T-shirts not picked up during the check-in time may be given to others who signed up later than March 30...and the donuts may be gone...but DO come when you can!

Q. If I don't sign up ahead of time, can I still show up to help?

A. Of course! But it will be helpful for Comcast to know in advance how many people they will be feeding on that day (donuts and pizza!) and how many supplies to have on hand.

Q. What is the age limit?

A. No age limit—every age is welcome!

Q. Does this count towards my 20 volunteer hours?

A. Absolutely. Every person you bring—family or friends—will count toward your family's hours.



Q. What day and time is it?

A. Saturday, April 21st. Check in, breakfast and T-shirt distribution will happen from 7-8 am. Projects will begin at 8:00. Wrap up and lunch will happen by noon—maybe earlier if we are fast finishers!

Q. And will this be fun?

A. What could be more fun than working side-by-side with people you enjoy, meeting new friends and doing great things for the school your children attend? Throw in a DJ, great music and pizza and it's a sure fire fun day!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

BIG SMILES - We are so excited to announce that BIG SMILES, a convenient in-school dental program, will be coming again to West Valley 1. On Thursday, April 26, "Big Smiles" permission slips, with more information, will be sent home attached to each student's learning plan. Please fill out the form, sign it, and return it to school as soon as you receive them. Utah Licensed dentist will be performing their services on Monday, May 21st. If you have any questions, feel free to email Jesenia Rivera at jrivera@apamail.org.

Substitute Childcare - Calling all loving and nurturing professionals! The staff childcare center at WV2 is in need of Substitute Childcare providers. We would love for these individuals to come from either families of APA or referrals from our parents. This position could eventually turn into a full time opportunity. If you or someone you know is gifted in early childhood development training, please contact Jennifer Brown at 801-712-5832 and/or go to <https://www.americanprep.org/careers/> and fill out an application.

Yearbook 2017-18 - Deadline for purchasing yearbooks is April 25th!

Get A 2018 Yearbook Today! You can order your yearbook by scanning the code or visiting the link below :



Orders will only be Accepted until April 25th. <https://goo.gl/D85Qz8>

Here is how you can submit photos online:

- Go to: <https://images.schoolannualonline.com/login>
- If it does not automatically log you into the site, enter username: 409163614
- Browse to select the photo(s) you wish to upload.
- Enter information about the photo and provide contact information in case the staff needs additional information.
- Click "Save Details".

It's that easy! Submit your photos today!

School Lunch - New School Lunch Policies

Ordering Lunches for April and May

We are making some changes in how school lunches are ordered. In the past, you could order anytime. **Now you will only be able to order during the following weeks:**

If you do not place your order during the ordering week, we cannot guarantee your child a lunch.

April 16 - 20 - Order lunches for May

April 20 - last day to place orders for May

<https://www.americanprep.org/school-lunch-program/>

Absences - It is very helpful if you can let the lunch staff know if your child will be absent, especially if it will be for more than one or two days. Please contact your school lunch manager - Kristine Stevens, kstevens@apamail.org

Cancellations - Any lunches cancelled with at least 48-hours notice can be credited to your school lunch account. No cash or credit/debit refunds.

Our lunches are made 24 hours in advance, so we cannot cancel with our vendor unless we have at least 48 hours. Cancellations must be confirmed via email to the school lunch manager.



Parent Advisory Committee Elections

We are in the process of creating our Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) for the 2018-19 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 **2 parent PAC positions** to fill at APA-West Valley 1. 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 2018-19 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 West Valley 1 will be on Thursday, September 13 at 10:00am.

2nd Meeting at West Valley 1 will be on Friday, March 8 at 10:00am.

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

If you are interested, please contact Kim Dudley, landtrust@apamail.org no later than Thursday, May 03, 2018 at 4pm. Please include your name, the campus you are running for, a little campaign blurb, your student's name and grade, your phone number and email address.

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 10th newsletter. Each family may vote for 2 candidates, since we have 2 openings. Ballots must be returned to the school by 4pm on May 15. The candidate who receives the most votes will be posted in the May 17th newsletter. Candidates will be notified by email on May 16th.



FSO

Family School Organization

Antonia Oviado - 801-661-8725 - anny1977@live.com (left)
Julia Soledad - 801-574-5523 - edyjuliasld@hotmail.com (right)

Parent Volunteers - This is a call for help from ANY parent. Not just Jr. High parents...

We're almost to the end of the school year! At the end of every year, our 7th and 8th grade students are able to participate in what we call a Culminating Ball - a big dance/dinner where they are able to use all the skills they've learned in the Ambassador program throughout the year. These Culminating Balls are SO fun... but also SO much work! WE NEED YOUR HELP! Can you help us clean dishes, plate food, put away tables, stack chairs and vacuum classrooms?

Volunteers are DESPERATELY NEEDED on Friday April 20 at 5:30 and Saturday April 21 at 4:00 at our WV1 campus. We'll be there ALL night on both nights (until around midnight) so we can use your help - even if it's just an hour! Let Mrs. Hailey Stevens know if you can make it! Thank you!

Volunteer Raffle - Remember to keep picking up your tickets for the Volunteer Raffle, but most important is recording your **VOLUNTEER HOURS** on your **COMMUNICATION FOLDERS!**



AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

Box Tops – We have one more contest to look forward to. The goes until April 27th. The class that wins this one will receive a balloon party. Looking forward to the class that would like to be entertained by party balloons. Keep sending those box tops in. The opportunity to benefit from them never ends.

English Classes every Monday, Wednesday!

English classes have had such a great start and are being enjoyed by everyone who has come! Bring your friends and come have fun learning English. These community classes are free and open to everyone who would like to improve their English skills. The days and times are: Monday and Wednesday @ 8:30-9:30 am. Please contact Mrs. Meyerson if you have any questions! bmeyerson@apamail.org.

JUNIOR HIGH NEWS

CULMINATING BALL SEASON FOR ALL SECONDARY! It's definitely Ball season! On April 20th, our 7th and 8th grade students have their Culminating Balls. Watch the mail box because their assigned times and dates are coming in the mail soon! Then, our 9th grade students finish out Ball season with a fancy dinner at La Caille on Tuesday May 15th. **Remember ALL of these Culminating Events are MANDATORY for students' 4th period grades.**

IMPORTANT: MANDATORY attire checks required for all students grades 7-9th for end of year balls. Students may email a picture of clothing for approval to hstevens@apamail.org, or stop by the ambassador office with clothing. Checking off of attire will count on the 4th period grade. Dress checks for 7th and 8th grade are the week after spring break, April 9th -13th.

Parent Dance Social

On **Thursday, April 12th** parents are invited to learn a few simple dances to prepare themselves for the parent honor dance held for **7th-9th grade students** the night of the assigned ball. Come to the WV2 gym from **4:30-6:30 pm** and learn from the best, Samantha Stout, our ballroom instructor. You can dance with your student, spouse or date. Students are not required to attend. It will be a fun night!

Secondary Parents - AP Parent Night

On Thursday, April 19th at 5:30 - 6:30 PM, APA WV2 is hosting our Advanced Placement information night. Every AP teacher will be present to introduce their course, expectations, and philosophy. This is a *required* night for all students engaging in an AP class for the 2018-19 year. Advanced Placement classes are college level classes that can earn a student college credit. They take true dedication, but APA can help any student, who's truly willing, succeed. The event typically runs only an hour. We look forward to seeing you and unveiling our AP offerings for next year! **WV1 8th and 9th graders** are invited if they'd like to learn about AP offerings at WV2 and transfer. If you have any questions please contact Mr. Guido at rguido@apamail.org.

AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS (Sistema & Collegium Hall)

Collegium Hall

Collegium Hall is back in full swing, working on homework and missing work. 7th and 8th grades are working towards completing 5000 assignments per grade, while 9th grade reaches for 3000 assignments. If they meet their goal, they'll earn a pizza party! The first grade to meet their goal will get an additional prize! Here's where each grades currently stands:

7th grade: 3564 completed assignments
8th grade: 3241 completed assignments
9th grade: 1615 completed assignments

CLUBS

Monday

Latin Club (grades 7-9) in room 148 with Mrs. Adamson from 3:35 to 3:55 pm
Newsies Club (grades 7-9) in room 141 with Ms. Kelly from 4:05 to 5:00 pm
Knights of the Game Table Club (grades 4-6) in room 125 with Mr. Nath from 4:00 to 5:30 pm
Knitting Club (grades 4-6) in room 104 with Ms. Cain from 4:00 to 5:00 pm
3D Printing Club (grades 6-9) in room 138 with Mr. Langford from 3:30 to 5:00 pm



AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

Tuesday

Improv Club (grades 7-9) in room 101 (New Room) with Ms. Denison and Ms. Spencer from 4:00 to 5:00 pm
Anime Club (grades 7-9) in room 144 with Ms. Carson from 3:30 to 5:00 pm
Knitting Club (grades 4-6) in room 104 with Ms. Cain from 4:00 to 5:00 pm

Wednesday

Art Club (grades 6-7) in room 125 with Ms. Cahoon from 2:30 to 4:00 pm
Adulting Club (grades 7-9) in room 148 with Ms. Adamson from 3:00 to 3:30 pm

Thursday

Latin Club (grades 7-9) in room 150 with Mrs. Adamson from 2:35 to 2:55 pm

Friday

Math Club (grades 7-9) in room 142 with Mrs. Woodcox and Ms. Carson from 4:15 to 6:30 pm

Sistema *♪♪♪* MAKE A NOTE!

Checking Out Early: We are still having issues with parents checking students out in the middle of class. Please help support and respect our teachers by having your student attend every day and for the full program. We are so grateful to the parents who are allowing their student to stay the whole time. We also appreciate those who have medical reasons to pick up a child and do it between classes. Thank you for your support of our music program.

Sistema Calendar

- April 20: No Sistema (Facility Unavailable for Program)
- April 24: Sistema Showcase 6:00 pm (NEW DAY!!)
- April 28: Sistema Strings Perform for the Kids Fiesta 12:30 (arrive 12:15) at the Library's Viridian Event Center.

Save the date:

- May 10: Sistema Spring Concert 5:30-6:30
- May 12: University of Utah Woman's Softball Game (Sistema Strings Performance) 12:00 pm.
- May 21: Lights Off 3:30-5:30 -- All Sistema student will be performing at this event. (NO Afterschool programs due to Lights Off.) Please bring your whole family to this fun end of year celebration.
- May 31: Last Day of Sistema and Collegium Hall and Sistema Storytime Showcase 5:00-5:30 pm.