



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

Sept 17-21 - Mon, Tues & Friday - 8:15 – 3:25/3:50 2nd Dismissal
Wed & Thurs – 8:15 – 2:25/2:50 2nd Dismissal

Friday, Sept 14	SPIRIT DAY - Wear your "Spirit Wear"
Friday, Sept 14	WV1 Land Trust Meeting - 12:00-1:00 pm
Tuesday, Sept 18	DIBELS DAY - 8:15 am - 3:25 pm
Wednesday, Sept 19	APA Parent's Club - 5:00 - 6:30 pm
Friday, Sept 21	Secondary Intervention Parent/Teacher Conference - by Invite - 8:00 - 3:00 pm NO SCHOOL Jr. High - No Collegium Hall
Wednesday, Sept 26	Ambassador Event - 8 th Grade - Barn Event
Thursday, Sept 27	"S.W.Y.K." Builder's Assembly - 8:15 - 8:45 am
Thursday, Sept 27	FSO (Family-School Organization) Meeting - 8:45-9:15 am

Each Thursday parents are invited to the Elementary "Show-What-You-Know" assembly 8:15 - 8:45 am.

September Builder's Theme: "I am a Builder when I Build with Enthusiasm"

What do you get when you add:

1 beautiful September afternoon + 846 ENTHUSIASTIC APA parents and children
+ 40 ENTHUSIASTIC APA staff members + 16 ENTHUSIASTIC community partners?

The answer to this question is easy! All of those put together = ONE AMAZING "LIGHTS ON" EVENT!
Thank you to each person who came to enjoy the afternoon last Friday! Thank you to all who prepared and shared delicious food from countries around the world! Thank you to those who displayed items from their countries and shared part of their culture! Thank you to the volunteers who ran the activities and are making our programs possible. Thank you to all who jumped in to help with set-up and stayed and helped with the clean up! It was a wonderful afternoon spent with wonderful people and you each played a part in making it a success. Thank you to EACH OF YOU for the enthusiasm you bring to APA-West Valley 1!

Online Grading Program for K-6

This year, our elementary grades will continue with the online grading program called ALMA. This program will allow elementary parents to check their student's grades and assignments at any time. We will still send report cards at the end of each term. This information will be accessible to parents at any time. We are asking parents to check their student's grades at least once a week. The program went live on Friday, August 31. If you are new to American Preparatory Academy, you will receive an e-mail generated by the program that will give you instructions for logging in and creating a password. Your username is your first name dot last name (ex. james.smith).

If you do not receive an e-mail from ALMA, it is because we do not have an e-mail address or current e-mail address in our school records. If you do not receive an e-mail by Wednesday morning, please e-mail Mrs. Melanie Ferlo, Academic Coordinator, at mferlo@apamail.org and give her your updated e-mail address and all of your K-6 students. If you do not have an e-mail address, it will be necessary to get one. These are free and easily made. Your local public library can offer assistance with this. (As can most of your local, friendly teenagers!)



Because we keep very few grades during the first weeks of school as our students are waking up their brains and adjusting to the rigor of their new schedules, there may not be many assignments reported. This is expected. You will see an increase in the number of assignments as the weeks progress. We are excited to offer this flexibility to our parents to view their child's grade each week. Thanks in advance for helping us work through the unexpected kinks and tweaks that always accompany this kind of endeavor.

Substitute Teaching--This May Be the Part-Time Job You've Been Waiting For!

We are in need of more substitute teachers! Please consider becoming a substitute for us! If you have friends, relatives or neighbors who are looking for a WONDERFUL part-time job, this may just be it! Here is more information about our substitutes and their duties:

Elementary Substitutes: Our staffing model allows us to have our Instructors step in and substitute for the teachers when they are absent, so our substitutes are really an "assistant" in the classroom, helping out the Instructor as they teach the class. This is a really great opportunity for parents and others to be in the school and to make a BIG difference! Being an elementary substitute is FUN! Please email Laura Leavitt (lleavitt@apamail.org) or call (801-839-3613) and she will answer any questions you may have!

Secondary Substitutes: For grades 7-12, you will be in a classroom with students, following a substitute plan left by the classroom teacher. Our students are respectful and fun to be around! If you enjoy working with teenagers, you will love this! Please email Mrs. Okelberry, our Junior High Director, tokelberry@apamail.org, and she will answer all of your questions!

Our substitute teacher pay is very competitive!

HS Diploma/GED

Associates Degree

Bachelor's Degree

\$80 per day

\$85 per day

\$90 per day

Please email or call Mrs. Leavitt or Mrs. Okelberry if you are interested, or go directly to our website at <https://www.americanprep.org/careers/> and apply!

School Lunch Program

We hope you and your students are enjoying our school lunch program. This is a reminder to order meals for September. We hope you and your students are enjoying our school lunch program. If you have not already ordered meals, please follow this link and place your order: <https://apalunch.h1.hotlunchonline.net/>

All orders must be placed 48 hours in advance (example: lunches for Tuesday must be ordered by Sunday).

If you need help ordering lunch, our school lunch workers, Jenni Ruiz (jruiz@apamail.org) and Charity Lavatai (clavatai@apamail.org) are available from 8:00 am until 9:30 am, and then from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm every day. You can also email lunch@apamail.org.

Fresh Fruits & Vegetables

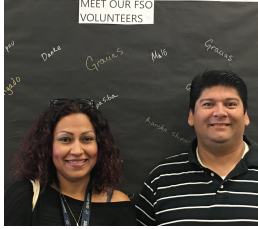
The Fresh Fruits and Vegetable Program is designed to introduce new produce to students while encouraging healthy snack habits. Students will receive a fruit or vegetable at least twice a week while learning a nutritional fact about what they are about to eat.

Learn Computer Basics

The Main Library in downtown Salt Lake City (210 East 400 South, SLC) is hosting several computer classes. If you would like to take some computer classes, to learn the basics of computers, check out these free classes.

Monday September 17 - 12:00pm - 1:00 pm - Computer Basics: Using the Mouse

Monday September 24 - 12:00pm -1:00 pm - Computer Basics: Keyboard and Typing Skills



FSO - Family School Organization

Julia Soledad – 801-574-5523 – edyjuliasld@hotmail.com
Israel Claveria – 801-556-2853 - israel_claveria@hotmail.com

We are so excited to begin this year. Our theme for the year will be “Around the World in 180 days”, which is the number of days in the school year. We will be placing a world map in the hall and we would like for our APA families to send us pictures of your family in the places they have traveled to, or pictures of the country you are from. Send those to Julia Soledad at edyjuliasld@hotmail.com, and please write your family’s name and the place the picture was taken. You can also text it to us.

Boxtops

Our Boxtop collection is again underway. We collect Boxtops to earn money for the school. For every Boxtop collected we receive 10 cents. It may not sound like much, but with everyone contributing it starts to add up. To add to the fun, the class that collects the most Boxtops during Term 1 will earn a pizza party! The contest starts now and will go until October 11th. The pizza party will happen on Oct 12th. Start clipping those box-tops and send them in—be sure to label the class they are going to on the bag or envelope. The race starts now.

Our first FSO meeting was a success. If you have any questions about volunteering or want to get more involved with FSO, please give us a call. Our students come to an amazing school and our parent group is a big part of that! Thank you for all your support. See you next month at our next meeting.

Fun Volunteer Opportunity—DIBELS DAY!

DIBELS is the K-6 reading assessment we do three times a year—and our first all-day assessment is coming up on Tuesday, September 18. This is a GREAT day to come volunteer! Part of our elementary staff will be doing assessments all day—the other half managing the classrooms. We could use up to 20 parents on this day to help us set up, put together some energy snacks for our teachers and instructors, and help out in the classroom—taking students to recess, supervising lunches, taking students to their P.E. and Art classes, and giving students encouragement and high fives when it’s their turn to test. This is such a great way to help out and have fun with our super APA students!

If you are available for all or part of the day—we would SO appreciate your help. Please e-mail or call Mrs. Leavitt @ lleavitt@apamail.org if you are able to come and volunteer on this day. THANK YOU!

Ambassador Program

8th Grade WORK Event

Yesterday our 8th Graders participated in the W.O.R.K. Party Ambassador Event where they had Wonderful Opportunities to Render Kindness. Our students worked on several beautification projects located throughout The Stable Place. Our students did a great job following directions and working hard to make a difference! At APA, we are citizens who take pride in our community. In the Ambassador program we talk a lot about being good representatives. Each of our students were wonderful representatives of our school!

9th Grade Unity Hike

We are so proud of all our 9th grade students for completing the Unity Hike. This was no easy feat. They not only showed their physical strength and self-motivation, but they worked together to arrive as a unified team to the top of Ensign Peak. After enjoying the view, while hearing inspiring words from Mr. Sheneman (we combined with D3!), the students made their way down and enjoyed lunch and more team building activities at the park. To top it all off, our students showed that they are true ambassadors and helped clean the park before loading the bus and making it back to school. A great time was had by all! And a special thanks to Maria Juarez and Catherine Workman for coming with us!



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Secondary Parent-Teacher Conferences - We will have Parent-Teacher Conferences on Friday, September 21st, from 8:00am-3:00pm. These are "intervention" conferences, meaning, if your student is struggling, you will be able to meet with teachers. You may receive an invitation to a conference with the teachers of your students. If you do not receive an invitation and would like to meet with the teacher that day, please contact them by email to make arrangements. We welcome parent involvement!

Jr. High Grading Program - "ASPIRE"

Go to www.americanprep.org

Click on WV1 school

Hover over "Resources" and you'll see "ASPIRE" on the top of the list. Click on that.

When the login screen appears, click on "Request a username" in the middle box.

You need your student's id (they should have this) and their birthdate.

Once you log in, you will see your student's profile, including an overview of their classes and grades. You can click on any of the classes to see a complete summary of what your student has completed for this class, as well as their grades. Please take note of low scores, zeros, and missing work. These are things your child needs to correct. You will also see the name of the teacher of the class. You can click on this name and it will give you an opportunity to email the teacher with any questions. We recommend that you review your students account at least weekly or more to help them stay on top of their grades. If you have questions, please contact Mrs. Okelberry, Jr. High director, at tokelberry@apamail.org

SPORTS

Girls' volleyball brought home a loss against North Star Academy but not without a fight. Our girls took the games to 3 full sets and did not let them walk away with an easy win. After the game, our Athletic Director got a wonderful accolade email from North Star's Athletic Director about how great the girls were at supporting each other throughout the whole game.

The final scores were:

<u>A team</u>	<u>B team</u>
25-16 APA	25-22 North Star
25-7 North Star	26-24 APA
15-7 North Star	15-13 North Star

Boys soccer suffered a devastating loss against North Davis Prep Academy 6-2, but are ready for revenge when we play them again in a few weeks.

Our Cross Country season at APA is off to a great start. The XC athletes have had two meets so far this year and both the boys and girls teams have had great success. Notably, the girls team has placed 2nd at both the Hawthorn and North Star meets. A special shout out to 8th grader, Penelope Cruz for playing 3rd and 4th overall at the two meets. Also, Aaron Patino for placing 4th overall in each meet as well. All of our runners have seen improvements in their strength and endurance since the start of the season. With a full schedule of meets in the weeks ahead, our XC runners will be aiming to beat their personal bests and run their fastest times yet!

Cross Country - (Grades 6, 7, 8 & 9)

Tues. Sept 18	4:30 pm	@Lakeview - 527 W 400 N, Saratoga Springs
Thurs, Sept 20	4:30 pm	@North Star - 2920 W 14010 S., Bluffdale
Thurs. Sept 27	TBD	Region Race - TBD
Mon. Oct 1	TBD	State Format - TBD



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Girls' Volleyball - Grades 6, 7, 8, & 9)

Mon. Sept 17	4:00 pm	Home vs. Legacy
Wed. Sept 19	4:00 pm	@Intermountain Christian
Mon. Sept 24	4:00 pm	Home vs. Ogden Prep
Wed. Sept 26	4:00 pm	@North Davis - 1765 W Hill Field Rd., Layton
Mon. Oct 1	4:00 pm	@APA Salem - 1195 S Elk Ridge Dr., Salem
Wed. Oct 3	4:00 pm	@Legacy Prep - 2214 S 1250 W, Woods Cross
Oct. 8 th - 11 th	TBD	Girls Volleyball State Tournament

Boys' Soccer - Grades 6, 7, 8, & 9)

Mon. Sep 17	4:00 pm	@Ascent Farmington - 22 S 650 W., Farmington
Wed. Sept 19	4:00 pm	@Hawthorn - 9062 S 2700 W., W. Jordan
Mon. Sept 24	4:00 pm	@North Davis - 1765 W Hill Field Rd., Layton
Wed. Sept 26	4:00 pm	@Legacy Prep - 2214 S 1250 W., Woods Cross
Mon. Oct 1	4:00 pm	Home vs. Ogden Prep
Wed. Oct 3	4:00 pm	Home vs. Ascent Farmington
Oct 8 th - 11 th	TBD	Boys Soccer State Tournament

AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS (Sistema & Collegium Hall)

Collegium Hall - Mon, Tues, & Fri - 3:25 - 6:30pm
Wed & Thurs - 2:25 - 5:30pm

Lights On—Around the World in 180 Days was a huge success this year! Humongous thank you to all—students, families, staff and community members—who took part in Lights On, and we hope to see this continued participation in the school events yet to come!

Clubs are starting up next week, September 17, with the following schedule:

CLUB	DAY(S)	TIMES	ROOM	GRADES
Board Games & Magic the Gathering Mr. Christiansen	Tues	3:50-5:30pm	138	6-9
Coding Ms. Oveson	Fri	3:30-4:40pm	138	5-9
PE Mrs. Western	Wed	2:30-3:30pm	Gym	6-9
Robotics - (Club full) Mrs. Deplace	Thur	2:50-4:00pm	101	4-8
Stage Productions Ms. Denison	Tues/Fri	4:00-5:00pm	102	4-9
Yearbook *Photographers needed Mrs. Eddards **Average grade of C or above	Tues/Thur	4:00-5:00pm/ 3:00-4:00pm	144	4-9

Feel free to inquire with the appropriate teacher for more info.

Sistema MAKE A NOTE!

We had an amazing kick off at our Light's On event last week! Thank you from the bottom of our hearts to all the parents, staff, and community who volunteered, brought food, and made this event their own! We thoroughly enjoyed celebrating the diversity of cultures that we represent. We are excited to continue our "Around the World" theme throughout the school year with music from around the world!

Sistema Calendar:

- Sept. 14 **Sistema Strings Performance** at the University of Utah Volleyball Game
 - Sistema Strings (SS) is our string performing group. Invitations and field trip forms have been sent home for those invited to perform.
 - Everyone is welcome to attend!
- Sept. 18 **Sistema Teacher Showcase** 6:00-6:30
 - Come enjoy an evening with your students as the Sistema teachers will showcase their talents and abilities. Our first Student Showcase will be Oct. 9
- Sept. 19 **Parent Club:**
 - "Learning to Speak Your Child's Love Language"
 - Presented by Mrs. McCullough
 - As discovered in Gary Chapman's book "The Five Love Languages," each child has a special love language that fills up their reservoir the quickest. We will discover how to find the love language for yourself and for your children so that you can find greater connection and have the ability to nurture kids/teens with love.
- Sept. 21 **No School for Secondary**
 - We will still have Sistema program, but we do not expect our secondary students to attend unless they wish to.

Student Class Time Schedule:

Monday, Tuesday and Friday:

- 3:25 - 3:50 - Academic Extended Day (AED)
- 3:50 - 4:40 - 1st period
- 4:42 - 5:22 - 2nd period
- 5:24 - 6:05 - 3rd period
- 6:05 - 6:30 - Parent Pickup / Homework time

Wednesday and Thursday:

- 2:25 - 2:50 - Academic Extended Day (AED)
- 2:50 - 3:40 - 1st period
- 3:42 - 4:22 - 2nd period
- 4:24 - 5:05 - 3rd period
- 5:05 - 5:30 - Parent Pickup / Homework time

*If you plan to check your student out of school either before Sistema or during 2nd dismissal, please send a note with your student to school. They will need to turn it into the front office.

Afterschool Phone: (801)839-3613 Ex 0044 – To be used during after-school hours.