



## American Prep-West Valley 1 Campus Newsletter September 25, 2020

| <b>CALENDAR</b>   |   |
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| <b>Monday, Sept 28</b><br>Thursday, Oct 1<br><b>Friday, Oct 2</b> | <b>*Term 1 Reading University Logs Due</b><br>5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Ambassador FRIENDSHIP Event * <b>12:15-2:55pm</b> (new time)<br><b>*SPIRIT DAY! Wear your APA Spirit Wear!</b><br>12:15 Dismissal Day for All Students/No Sistema (12:15-12:40 pickup)<br>APA-WV1 Land Trust Meeting 10 am (via Zoom)<br>Term 1 Work Deadline |
| <b>Saturday, Oct 3</b><br>October 5-9                             | <b>5<sup>th</sup> Annual APA Boutique Fundraiser 10am-6pm</b> (Draper 2 campus)<br>APA College Week   |
| <b>Wednesday, Oct 7</b><br>Thursday, Oct 8                        | <b>12:15 Dismissal Day for All Students/No Sistema</b> (Change from 10/6)<br>6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Ambassador TAKE FLIGHT Event * <b>12:15-2:55pm</b> (new time)<br>Off-Campus Curriculum Pickup 9-12 and 4-6pm   |
| Friday, Oct 9   | End of Term 1<br>Off-Campus Curriculum Pickup 9-12  |
| October 12-16   | NO SCHOOL-Fall Break  |
| <b>Monday, Oct 19</b>   | <b>Term 2 Begins</b>  |
| <b>Tuesday, Oct 20</b>  | <b>4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trips</b>  |
| Monday, Oct 26  | School Picture Day-Full School Uniform  |
| <b>Tuesday, Oct 27</b>  | <b>1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Field Trips</b>  |
| <b>Thursday, Oct 29</b>   | <b>12:15 Dismissal Day / No Sistema</b> (12:15-12:40 pickup)<br><b>Parent/Teacher Conferences</b>   |
| <b>Friday, Oct 30</b>   | <b>Parent/Teacher Conferences – No School for Students</b>  |
|   | <b>*New additions to this newsletter calendar list</b>  |
|   | Electronic calendar can be accessed on the website @ <a href="http://westvalley1.americanprep.org/">http://westvalley1.americanprep.org/</a><br>Facebook page: <a href="https://facebook.com/americanprepWV/">https://facebook.com/americanprepWV/</a>  |

### Hello APA-WV1 Families!

*September Builder Theme: "I'm a Builder when I Build with Enthusiasm"*

Our campus was so thrilled to be part of the reading of the Constitution on Constitution Day last week. If you missed it, but would still like to view it, here is the direct link. It runs for 5+ hours as each campus did their own presentation. Our West Valley 1 program begins at 3:06 (three hours and 6 minutes) into the recording and goes to 3:50. <https://www.ksl.com/watchit/event/45989>



Our students did a stellar job—both presenting and participating in their classrooms!



Parents—how are you coming on memorizing the Builder Poem? Are you ready to pull out your phone and video yourself? **2020 Parent “Builder Poem” Challenge**—details on the last page of the newsletter!

Our first term of school is coming to an end in a few weeks! Be mindful of the work deadlines coming up. RU Logs due on Monday, any missing or late work due by Friday. Report cards will come home on the last day of the term—celebrate the hard work that your students have been doing! And the amazing support that you have been giving them!

### **Skyward Wellness Check Update**

Thank you to all of you parents who are doing their wellness checks on Skyward! If you need help, please let us walk you through the process! (Instructions below) Here’s Friday morning’s snapshot of each class and the number of Skyward reports they had submitted by 7:50 am. The “leading” classes and grades are highlighted yellow.

|   |   |                                     | % Success per grade |
|---|---|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Kdg-Frazier 4/17                        | Kdg-Gleed 2/18                                | Kdg-Jacobs 6/18                     | K: 27%              |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade-Clark. 3/18       | 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade-Cota 2/19               | 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade-Dallon 3/17   | 1: 14%              |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade-Huff 5/17         | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade-Lopez-Durel <b>7/18</b> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade- Spencer 5/20 | <b>2: 31%</b>       |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade-Devey <b>7/25</b> | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade-Pineros <b>10/23</b>    | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade- Tuveson 6/23 | <b>3: 35%</b>       |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade-Alejandre 5/17    | 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade-Bartholomew 3/18        | 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade-Denison 2/17  | 4: 21%              |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade-Bonzo 4/17        | 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade-Chappell 2/18           | 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade-Furniss 3/16  | 5: 21%              |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade-Brennan 5/19      | 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade-Fullmer <b>9/22</b>     | 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade-O’Brien 5/20  | <b>6: 33%</b>       |

**SKYWARD VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY!** *If you are a parent that knows how to do this and would be willing to call and help other parents in your class get this set up, that would be incredible! Please email Mrs. Gamez or Mrs. Leavitt if you’re willing to help! Please note what language(s) you speak.*

### **Skyward Wellness Checks—Directions** (Week 2/3)

Students must have a Wellness Check done before coming to school. The paper copy on the learning plan can be used as a backup, but our goal now is to have the Wellness Screening done on Skyward by ALL of our families. At 7:50, a report is emailed directly to the teachers, so please do the online or mobile app check done before 7:50.

**For parents who are not using this quick and easy tool yet:**

1. **Get your Skyward account fully set up online.** Click this link or use your camera phone to scan the code and get to the APA Skyward sign in page. Enter your user name and password.



**Skyward:** <https://skyward.iscorp.com/scripts/wsisa.dll/WService=wseduamerprepacaut/fwemnu01.w>

(Your user name is almost always your first initial and last name. Example: Kelly Smith = ksmith) If this is your first time getting on (or you have forgotten your



password) you will need to have your password reset. Please call or email Ms. Gamez (Spanish/English) or Mrs. Leavitt (English) ([mgamez@apamail.org](mailto:mgamez@apamail.org) / [lleavitt@apamail.org](mailto:lleavitt@apamail.org)) and we can confirm your username and reset your password.

2. **Download the free Skyward Mobile App** from the App Store.

In the App Store, search for “Skyward Mobile Access”

Choose Skyward Mobile...Education and click “get”

Open the app and enter your username and password.

The Wellness Screening will be the first thing that pops up.

See what the Wellness Screening looks like in these short videos. [Wellness Screening \(Web Browser\)](#) [Wellness Screening \(Mobile App\)](#)

### **Academic Highlight: Reading University**

Reading University (RU) is an academic program that introduces students to value-based literature and informational texts, and strengthens vocabulary through independent reading. The goal of the Reading University program to instill a love for independent reading in each of our students.

General Rules and Information about Reading University:

- Each term, students will read a specified number of books from the Reading University (RU) list.
- Students are allowed to choose one book NOT on the RU list each term.\*
- The books for checkout in the classroom libraries are all books from the RU list.
- Students may read books from the RU list *at* their grade level, one grade level *below*, or at any level *above* their grade level.
- Students in all grades may count books that are read to them outside of school.\* (Books read to student in school do not qualify for RU credit.)
- Students may re-read a book for credit, but not during the same school year.\*
- \*RU guidelines are adapted based on feedback from Parent Surveys.

Students will receive a grade on their report card for Reading University, based on the number of books they read and submitted on their RU Log. The Reading University Log can be found in the student’s docket in the gray Reading University folder. Students write the title of the book and the date it was finished. The parent then signs the log verifying that the book was read. Reading University logs are turned in to the homeroom teacher at the end of each term. Term 1 Reading University logs are due Monday, September 28.

Please email your student’s homeroom teacher if you have any questions about Reading University. For more information on RU, check out the website:

<https://www.americanprep.org/about-the-reading-university/>



## **Uniform Reminder: Masks and Boots**

**Masks** are part of a student's uniform this year. Please make sure your student comes prepared with a clean mask each day. (Things happen inside masks—please be sure they are washed regularly!) It is smart to include a backup in their backpacks (and in your car!)

**Black, low heeled boots** are an option for K-6 girls from October until April 1<sup>st</sup>. On snowy days, students may wear any boots for recess, but should bring their regular shoes for the school day. Link to Uniform Guide: <https://www.americanprep.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/Draper-1-Draper-2-West-Valley-1-.pdf>

## **ALMA: The K-6 Grading Program**

Parents have access to their student's grades 24/7 with the online ALMA grading program. All parents should have received an email from ALMA with directions for logging on. *If you did not receive this email or need help getting set up, please call or email Mrs. Melanie Ferlo in the Academic Office. [mferlo@apamail.org](mailto:mferlo@apamail.org).*

## **College Week Heads Up**

On Wednesday of our College Week (October 5-9,) students and staff will be invited to represent their favorite college by wearing a shirt or sweatshirt with that college's logo.

## **New Carpool Tags – In Your Youngest Student's Docket**

New carpool tags went home on Friday with your youngest student. Beginning Monday, all cars picking up students need to have these new tags posted. Cars without these "official" WV1 tags will be stopped and asked for identification, then verified against our list of people approved to pick up your student. Please toss your older cards and begin using the new tags on Monday.

### **PARENT BUILDER POEM CHALLENGE!**

All of our students learn the "Builders" poem during the school year and we encourage every parent to memorize it too! Let's have some fun this year and surprise the students when they return from fall break with a special video of their *parents* reciting the "Builders" poem from memory! Here's what to do:

- Practice and memorize the poem during September
- When you're ready, use your phone and take a video of yourself reciting it.
- Share your video with Mrs. Leavitt ([lleavitt@apamail.org](mailto:lleavitt@apamail.org))
- Send your video before the end of 1<sup>st</sup> Term—Friday, October 9
- Over the break, we'll compile it and get a video ready for the students!
- Bonus! (Just in case you need more than just fun and satisfaction to motivate you!)  
Also earn 3 hours of volunteer time for your family by doing it!

A copy of the Builder's Poem can be found in your Parent/Student Handbook (or in earlier editions of the newsletter)