



Friday's "Four Seasons" Fashion Show – put on by our amazing kindergarteners!  
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## Calendar \*NEW DATES ADDED

- Every Wednesday
- Every Thursday
- Mondays & Fridays

4th-6th Show-What-You-Know Assembly @ 8:15 am. Parents are always welcome!  
 K-3rd Show-What-You-Know Assembly @ 8:15 am. Parents are always welcome!  
 Free Adult English Classes @ 2:30-3:15

## Term 4 Dates

- Monday, Feb 24
- Friday, Feb 28
- Thursday, March 6
- Friday, March 7
- Friday, March 7
- Friday, March 7
- Friday, March 7
- Saturday, March 8
- Sunday, March 9
- March 10-14
- March 10-14
- Tuesday, March 11
- Wednesday, March 12
- Thursday, March 13
- Friday, March 14
- Tuesday, March 18
- Thursday, March 20
- Friday, March 21
- Friday, March 21
- Friday, March 21
- March 24-28
- Thursday, March 27
- Friday, March 28
- Thursday, April 3
- Friday, April 4
- Friday, April 4
- Friday, April 4
- April 7-11

**Term 4 Begins (Feb 24-April 4)**  
**Kindergarten 4-Season Fashion Show @ 1:30**  
**THURSDAY Spirit Wear Day (because Friday is a special, full uniform Friday)**  
 Full, regular uniforms worn today.  
**Midterm Work Deadline**  
**Builder of the Year Assembly @ 1:00 Livestream (link below)**  
**Spring Friday Clubs begin! 4:30 pickup (Link below to see club list)**  
**Regional Spelling Bee – Good luck Kianna & Addison!**  
**Daylight Saving Time starts (clocks “spring” forward an hour)**  
**Classroom Speech Festivals held this week**  
**College Week**  
**Parent Empowerment Zoom @ 7pm: Addiction & Substance Abuse**  
**Parent/Teacher Conferences 3-8 pm by appointment**  
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**No School for WV1 Students (Conference comp day for teachers)**  
**12:15/12:35 Early Dismissal (Staff Professional Development)**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Grade Ambassador Event: Western Roundup 12:25-2:50 (volunteer op)**  
**Spirit Wear Friday**  
**School Speech Festival: 4-6 @ 1pm , K-3 @ 2:15pm**  
**Friday Clubs (pickup at 4:30)**  
**Staff Appreciation Week**  
**UCA Governing Board meeting 7-9pm**  
**Friday Clubs (pickup at 4:30)**  
**5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Spring Music Concert 6:00pm.**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Term RU (Reading University) Store**  
**Friday Clubs (pickup at 4:30)**  
**End of Term 4/ Report Cards come home**  
**No School – Spring Break**

**February Builder Theme:**  
**I Am a Builder When I Use My Words to Encourage Others**

Welcome back APA families! Welcome to Term 4—a short, but action packed 6-week term! This month we've been talking about using our words to encourage others. Words are powerful—and when we use our words carefully, with intention, to build up and encourage those around us, we are practicing this important, valuable builder trait. Please enjoy this month's Builder video from the Character Development team. Do you recognize any familiar faces from the fun-run clips? Talk about the message with your family! <https://vimeo.com/1054566142/735ddac0ac>



**Spring Session of Friday Clubs – Starting March 7**

We are pleased to have our Friday Clubs start up again—beginning next Friday, March 7. You can check to see if your student has been assigned to a club using this link: [Club Info / Students in Clubs](#) This will be updated daily as new students are processed and added to a club. If your student is not on the list, you can apply for a club using the appropriate link. Open spots in clubs are filled in the order that applications are received, so don't delay. To increase your student's chance of getting in a club, submit their first three choices appropriate for their grade. If their first choice is full, they will try to get them in their 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> choice. If all their club choices are full, they will be put on a waitlist.



Thank you to the afterschool team and the staff and parent club mentors who make this Friday fun possible!

**Attention ALL Students: Notecard Art Contest: DEADLINE SUNDAY, MARCH 2**

From the American Preparatory Education Foundation:

APEF 5TH ANNUAL

*Notecard Art Contest*

APA students! You are invited to create a piece of art to be used on thank you cards for donors as well as for teachers and staff to show appreciation.

Fill out the form to submit your art.  
Accepting digital submission Feb 10-March 2.

For examples of previous art submitted, go to [www.americanprepfoundation.org/artcontest](http://www.americanprepfoundation.org/artcontest).

*The winner will receive a \$50  
Amazon Card!*



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**Parent/Teacher Conferences – Appointment Times March 12 & 13 from 3-8 pm**

Parent/Teacher Conferences are coming soon. These spring conferences are mandatory for parents to attend, so please be sure you make an appointment to meet with your child's homeroom teacher. A sign-up form for conference times will be emailed from your homeroom teacher on Monday, March 3. Conferences are on Wednesday and Thursday evenings. There will be no school for students on Friday, March 14.

## **Builder Awards & the Builder of the Year Assembly**

Part of our character development program is recognizing, monthly, a student from each homeroom class who has been a great example of that month's Builder theme. These monthly Builder awards are presented during our weekly assemblies and it is a delight to honor and recognize these outstanding students and their builder qualities. All parents are welcomed at the weekly assemblies—and many of you have seen this award being presented.

In addition to these monthly builder awards, we also have the opportunity to present a “Builder of the Year” award. *The “Builder of the Year” award is one of the highest honors given at American Preparatory Academy. It can be received only once in a student's K-12 academic time at APA and, as an adult, it is a once-in-a-lifetime honor.*

Thirteen awards will be presented at our campus this year. There will be one student honored from each grade, one parent volunteer, four staff members: one teacher, one instructor, one support staff member and one afterschool staff member—and on lucky years like this one--a community partner! **Attendance in person is by invitation only—but the assembly is livestreamed so that all interested parents & APA community members can enjoy it.** The assembly will be held next Friday, March 7 @ 1:00pm. The link to view the Builder of the Year Assembly is: <https://vimeo.com/event/4954368>.



## **School-Wide Speech Festival**

Our annual speech festival begins March 10-14 with speech festivals in each of the homeroom classes. Every student participates—choosing a poem or monologue or an excerpt from a historical speech to memorize and present to their class. If you haven't already, please help your student choose a selection they would like to present and send the information back to the teacher on the yellow slip that came home this week.

Two students from each class will go on to perform in the school-wide speech festival on Friday, March 21. 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades will be at 1pm and K-3<sup>rd</sup> grades at 2:15pm. Parents are invited to attend this fun event.

## **March Safety Reminder #1: Emergency Contact Info**

Communication from school is made using the contact information that you provide on Skyward when you register. Please double check the information that you have given us. Do we have the correct phone numbers for all

guardians? Is the email address one that you actually check? Are all the people that you want authorized to pick up your student(s) listed under emergency contacts? If you are leaving town and someone else will be caring for your child while you're gone, have you given the school the name and phone number of that person? Please take a minute to update your information and emergency contact information in Skyward. Contact the front office if you need assistance.



## **Volunteering at APA**

### **Volunteer Hour “Reports”**

When report cards came home on February 14, they also included an update on your family's reported volunteer hours. If you did not receive one, or have any questions, please email our FSO leaders at

[wv1fso@apamail.org](mailto:wv1fso@apamail.org). They will be able to help.

## **Current/Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities:**

Look forward to information coming from our FSO leadership about helping to prepare a meal for our teachers and translators during Parent/Teacher conferences and also about our annual Staff Appreciation Week (March 24-28.) There will be many ways to volunteer and contribute as we celebrate and honor our wonderful APA-West Valley 1 staff!



## **Reporting Your Volunteer Hours** (Every week!)

Thank you for volunteering! This link and QR code to report hours will be at the end of every newsletter. Be sure to include the correct Family # (the same as your carpool #) so your hours will be linked to your student & family. [Report Volunteer Hours](#)