



School Calendar – WV1 Campus

May 4, 2017

Check the website calendar for all practices, rehearsals and clubs @

<http://westvalley1.americanprep.org/>

West Valley One Facebook link: <https://www.facebook.com/americanprepWV1>

School Hours – May 8-12: Mon- 12:15- **Early Dismissal**, Tues & Fri-8:15 am -3:25/3:50 pm
Wed & Thurs-8:15- 2:25/2:50 pm

Fri, May 5th	7th Grade Masquerade Ball – 12:00-3:00 or 4:00-7:00 (as assigned) <u>NO SISTEMA/COLLEGIUM HALL</u>
Fri, May 5th	8th Grade Masquerade Ball and Dinner – 5:30 – 10:00 pm
Mon, May 8	Professional Development – <u>EARLY DISMISSAL – 12:15/12:25 pm</u> <u>NO SISTEMA/COLLEGIUM HALL</u>
Tues, May 9	DIBELS Testing – All day
May 8-12	SAGE Testing – Jr. High
Wed, May 10	Parent Club Meeting – 5:00 pm
Fri & Sat, May 12-13	District Art Show – WV2 – (See Article for times)
May 15-19	SAGE & SAT Testing – Elementary
Wed, May 17	Kindergarten Parent Violin Cohort Meeting- 8:15 am & 6:00 pm
Thurs, May 18	9th Grade Ball at La Caille – 4:30-10:00 pm
Fri, May 19	Field Trip – Kindergarten
May 22 – June 2	1 st – 6 th Grade Core Knowledge Testing

Other dates:

Mon, May 22	Lights Off – 3:30-6:30 pm – Family Event
Thurs, May 25	Memorial Day Assembly -
Fri, May 26	Field Trip – 1 st – 3 rd
Mon, May 29	Memorial Day – NO SCHOOL
Thurs, June 1	Volunteer Appreciation Assembly – 12:30 pm
Fri, June 2	Last day of Kindergarten
Fri, June 2	Last day of Collegium Hall/Sistema
Tues, June 6	Jr. High Music Concert – 6:00 pm
Wed, June 7	Jr. High Field Day – 12:15 Dismissal
Thurs, June 8	Elementary Field Day – 12:15 Dismissal
Fri, June 9	Last day of School – 12:15 Dismissal

Elementary End of Year Show-What-You-Knows

Kindergarten – Friday, June 2 – 9:00 am
1 st Grade – Thursday, June 1 – 6:00 pm
2 nd Grade – Friday, June 2 – 6:00 pm
3 rd Grade – Wednesday, May 31 – 6:00 pm
4 th Grade – Tuesday, May 30 – 6:00 pm
5 th Grade – Wednesday, May 31 – 7:00 pm
6 th Grade – Monday, June 5 – 6:00 pm



May Builder's Theme – "I am a Builder when I am Respecting my body and mind"

"Respect yourself enough to walk away from anything that no longer serves you, grows you, or makes you happy." *Robert Tew*

Here are a few situations that might tempt you away from respecting yourself; loving someone who doesn't love you (or who treats you badly), having a successful career that makes you unhappy, wishing you could go back to a past time in your life, thinking you need to have X, Y, or Z to be happy, having people around you who doubt your abilities, wanting things simply because you think you 'should' want them, thinking the lives others lead is better than your own, or living or working with people who treat you (or themselves) negatively.

These are just a few of the reasons you might find respecting yourself difficult, and unfortunately, they can happen to almost anyone. Not all of these things are within your control (you cannot always control how others act or react), but what is within your control is how you treat yourself.

April Builder Winners

K- Maryama Ali, Isabella Muro-Pardo

1st - Ailin Martinez, Sam Sheneman

2nd - Camille Enriquez Ponce, Natalie Mendoza

3rd - Isaias Canales Franco, Mariana Lorenzo Plascencia

4th - Diego Estrella, Carlos Oviedo

5th - Kyle Herrera, Melanie Ramon Vicente

6th - Christopher Chopine, Ricardo De Alba

7th - Kaitlin Fan

Samuel Soto

8th - Giselle Garcia

Isaac Langi-Mauro

9th - Jesus Ramirez

Teresa Ramirez



CONGRATULATIONS American Preparatory Academy students, parents and staff! American Prep received the 2017 Charter School of the Year award from Utah Best of State. This award represents all of the hard work from our APA community and their efforts to do what is BEST for kids every day.

Our recent accomplishments include:

- **SAGE Testing Excellence** - Our WVI campus achieved the highest SAGE Growth scores for 2015-2016.
- **Innovations Grant** - American Prep was recently awarded an Innovations Grant by the State Charter School Board. The grant was designed to support innovative programs to improve academic standing and learning. American Prep's application received the highest score from the state.



“Celebration of Excellence”—Thank you for your attendance!

Thank you so much for your attendance at our Celebration of Excellence / Enrollment meeting last week. It was wonderful to be able to share an update on the school and talk about the accomplishments of the year with you. This is a great APA community and we recognize and value each of your contributions. The format of having three time choices in one day worked for almost all of you, so we anticipate scheduling next year’s meeting in the same way.

Thank you also for your cooperation with following carpool protocols. The congestion at the north end of the school during carpool has been greatly relieved. We will continue to try and reinforce this with the few who continue to pull to the side of Crystal Avenue to drop-off their students.

As a reminder, here are the guidelines for carpool:

- The parking spaces at the north end of the building are going to be designated “staff only” parking. This will minimize traffic in this area during peak carpool times. We ask parents and visitors to park *inside* the lot if they are coming inside the building.
- There will be no student drop-off on Crystal Avenue in the morning. Please follow the normal morning carpool procedure—one line, pulling forward as directed, students exiting the car only after you have pulled past the front doors. This is quick and efficient and only takes a few minutes. Please do not drop your students off in the parking lot unless you are walking into the school with them.
- For afternoon carpool, the gates in the back will be open for 2nd dismissal cars to wait until 5 minutes before that carpool begins. If you are coming inside the building, please park *inside* the parking lot.
- If your students have walking passes, but you intend to pick them up on a given day, please follow the normal carpool procedure OR allow them to walk off campus and meet you on one of the side streets. Please do not park along Crystal Avenue as this creates unsafe and unnecessary congestion during this busy traffic time.

Thank you for your cooperation with this. If you feel you have exceptional circumstances, please schedule a time to meet with the school administration to discuss this.

School Lunch Update

We now have the menu up for the rest of the year. Please order as soon as possible from now until June! (Go to the “today” tab on the right top corner and press “>” to get to the new month.) We need to give our new vendor the lunch order **2 school days** in advance – that means if you want lunch on Monday, you will need to order by Thursday noon, if you want to lunch for Tuesday, please order by Friday noon. If you do not order by the deadline - please send a home lunch! We only receive the lunches that were ordered online. (No extra lunches available).

Remember to go to the new APA link to order. <http://apalunch.hi.hotlunchonline.net>.

Your email and password are the same! If you need to change them, DO NOT OPEN A NEW ACCOUNT. To change email or password contact, Kristine Stevens kstevens@apamail.org, 805.839.3613 ext 142.

Dibels Day

Our final Dibels Day will be Tuesday, May 9, all day long. We would appreciate any help you could give in the classrooms. Here is the link to sign up to help in the classroom:

www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0445ACA92FA4FE3-dibels1



District Art Show

This year's District Art Show will be held on Friday May 12th, 5pm-8pm and Saturday May 13th, 9am-12pm at our West Valley 2 location, 3636 W 3100 S, West Valley City, UT 84120, in the Multi-Purpose Room.

It will feature carefully selected artwork from Grades 1-12.

We have three members of the art community coming to judge the works. The winners will be announced from each age group at 6.30pm.

Please come along and support the students' efforts and talents.

The show will have light refreshments and brand new display boards! It will be an outstanding show!

Kindergarten Parent Violin Cohort Meeting

Tuesday, May 17 - 8:15 a.m. or 6:00 p.m. (For Kindergarten Parents) This is our final meeting for the year. We will discuss what to practice over the summer.

Lights Off Family Event

Yee Haw! It's time for our second annual Lights Off Family Event on Monday, May 22nd, from 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm! Our school day teachers and afterschool staff are excited to celebrate the end of another successful school year with you! Come ready for a western hoe down, complete with free BBQ sandwiches and treats, country dancing, music, bounce houses, a live animal corral, family outlaw photo booth, and more! We will also be concluding the afternoon with a WWI tradition - our staff and parent vs. student soccer game! This year, we also have a silent auction fundraiser that will be starting in the front lobby of the school for the weeks leading up to the event. Be sure to take a peek at the beautiful quilts that will be on display! Final bids will be placed and winners will be announced at Lights Off!

We are looking for donations of large bags of chips (bring your favorite!) and packs of full size, 16.9 oz. water bottles. Please bring donations to the front office and you can earn volunteer hours in exchange. Thank you in advance!

Memorial Day Assembly—Parent RSVP

On Thursday May 25th at 1:00 pm will be our annual Memorial Day Assembly. We look forward to this annual assembly where our students are taught through example and through their own participation how to respect and honor our nation's fallen soldiers. We hope for every parent to have the opportunity to attend this assembly at some time. Because seating is limited, we are asking interested parents to please RSVP to the front office--Mrs. Hernandez or Mrs. DeLaMare (801-839-3613 or mhernandez@apamail.org / kdelamare@apamail.org). School aged children are welcome—but please make other arrangements for babies and preschoolers.

Memorial Day "Buddy Poppy"

As part of our Memorial Day Celebration, each of our students is given a "Buddy Poppy" to wear for the day and to take home. These artificial poppies have been a symbol of fallen and wounded veterans since World War II. They are traditionally sold on street corners by veterans, and donations received in return for these artificial poppies have, over the years, helped countless veterans, widows, widowers and orphans of fallen soldiers. The poppy itself continues to serve as a perpetual tribute to those who have given their lives for our nation's freedom.

We encourage each of our students to find a way to contribute to this fund this year. Our school will be accepting donations for our veterans until the end of the school year. Please use the envelope stapled to your student's learning plan, or extras are available in the office. The envelopes can be turned in to your student's teacher or the main office. Your donation will be greatly appreciated.

Parent Advisory Committee Elections

We are in the process of creating our Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) for the 2017-18 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 position 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 2017-18 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 I will be on Friday, September 29 at 10:00am.

2nd Meeting at West Valley I will be on Friday, January 26 at 10:00am.

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

If you are interested, please contact Kim Dudley, landtrust@apamail.org no later than Thursday, May 11, 2017 at 4pm. *Please include your name, the campus you are running for, your students 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 18th newsletter. Each family may vote for 2 candidates, since we have 2 openings. Ballots must be returned to the school by 4pm on May 23rd. The candidate who receives the most votes will be posted in the June 1st newsletter. Candidates will be notified by email on May 25th.

VOLUNTEERS: Are You Still Working On Your Hours?

Are you still working on getting your 20 hours of volunteer time? Or, do you just need some extra fun before the end of the school year? Here are some volunteer opportunities coming up that we would love to have your help with. We will continue to update the list through the end of the school year. Please be sure to record your volunteer hours on your brown communication envelope.

- Dishwashers for 8th Grade Ambassador Dinner (Friday, May 5, 6:00-9:00 pm and Saturday, May 6, 6:00-9:00 pm) Bubble up! Volunteer help in washing dishes for the 8th grade dinner. This is an amazing event to be part of. Meet in the kitchen here at WV-I. (Please e-mail: Mrs. Hailey Stevens hstevens@apamail.org)
- Set-up for DIBELS Day (Monday, May 8, 8:30-10:00ish) Get the multipurpose room ready for reading fun! Meet by the office at 8:30 if you can help with this. (Contact for questions: Mrs. Leavitt)
- Elementary DIBELS Day (Tuesday, May 9, all day!) While our assessment team of instructors are giving the final DIBELS reading assessments, we can use some volunteer help in the classrooms—taking students to recess, helping with lunch and assisting the teachers. Come for all or just part of the day—we would love your help whenever you can come. Sign up for your available time and preferred place on SignUp Genius:
- Set-Up for OLYMPIC Closing Ceremony (Thursday, May 11, 6:45-8:00 am.) Our elementary Olympics are finishing up and next Thursday will be our “closing ceremonies”. Help with this set-up early Thursday morning. Meet in the gym. (Contact for questions: Mrs. Leavitt)
- Donating healthy snacks for our students during testing (All month.) You can earn volunteer hours by making these kind of donations. Put the name of the class—or “use where needed”—on the donation and turn it in to the front office. Record your donation and its hours equivalent on the communication envelope.
- Donating bags of chips or water bottles for our Family “Lights Off” Event. (Before Monday, May 22nd—the day of the event.) Donations can be turned in to the front office. Write “Lights Off” on the donation. Be sure to record this on your communication envelope. (Contact for questions: Ms. Motz amotz@apamail.org)
- Chaperoning for Kindergarten Field Trip (Friday, May 19) Check with kindergarten teachers for info on this.
- Set up for “Lights Off” Family Event (Monday, May 22, 12:00-3:00 pm) Help us get ready for this fun day! Check in at the office. (Contact for questions: Ms. Motz amotz@apamail.org)
- Chaperoning for 1st-3rd Grade Field Trips (Friday, May 26) Check with your individual teachers for their chaperone needs.
- Kindergarten Field Day (Check with kindergarten teachers for date and info on this!)



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- Attend the Volunteer Appreciation Assembly! (Thursday, June 1 @ 12:30 pm.) Really! Earn double hours for coming to this event! You don't have to do a thing but sit back and enjoy while the elementary students share their "Best of 2016-17" Show-What-You-Knows and share their appreciation of you! Meet in the gym! Assembly will be followed by desserts in the multipurpose room.
- Elementary "Clean-the-classroom" Day (Wednesday, June 7, 8:15-12:15) Parent help supervising the students as they clean their classrooms is SO helpful. Check with your teacher if you can help with this.
- Elementary Field Day (Thursday, June 8) Many volunteers are needed to make this fun day happen! If you can be part of this team, text or e-mail our FSO president, Viviana Montaña and she will get you on the list! (801-707-8908 / vemamapollita@hotmail.com)
- Ongoing, anytime volunteer jobs: Helping with lunches, volunteering in the classroom, grading, office help, cleaning jobs, weekend work on the school grounds—anyway you can think of volunteering!

SPIRIT DAYS & SPIRIT WEAR – Check the calendar for our upcoming scheduled Spirit Days – celebrating our wonderful accomplishments and the West Valley I "Spirit of Learning."

Spirit Wear Days:

Friday, May 12th

Friday, June 9th

HOW TO ORDER SPIRIT WEAR – Go to our Online APA Apparel: <http://www.americanprep.org/store/>

You will receive an email when your online order is ready for pick-up. You will be able to pick your order up at the main office of your campus during school hours. Please allow a minimum of two weeks for processing online orders, and only come to the office when you have been informed that your order is ready!

Place your order as soon as you can so you can join in the celebrations!

School Tours – On Thursday mornings, following the assembly, approximately 8:45 am, we will be inviting parents to go on a tour of our campus. This is a great opportunity to see how things work, ask questions and enjoy the atmosphere of our West Valley I campus. Please let your friends know.

Box Tops – **KEEP THEM COMING!** Only a few more weeks left for this year. We really need everyone's help in reaching our goal for the year. Plus, a great chance to face off again our staff in Dodgeball!

JR. HIGH

Attendance School

Attendance/Tardy school for Jr. High students is held every Thursday at 3:00. Students who have over 3 tardy marks in a single period will be required to attend. Grades in classes will appear as "NG" (No Grade) until tardies are paid for and students have attended tardy school. Each tardy over 3 will cost \$5 and 1/2 hour in tardy school. Please pay to the front office. If you have questions, please address them to Mr. Sheneman.

AMBASSADORS

CULMINATING BALL SEASON FOR ALL SECONDARY STUDENTS! Friday May 5th, our 7th and 8th grade students have their culminating ball. **7th grade** students were ASSIGNED to attend at either 12:00pm - 3:00pm OR 4:00pm - 7:00pm. If you do not know your student's assigned time, please call the junior high office. If your student is attending the 12:00pm ball, they can be checked out after 10:00am. If they are attending the 4:00pm ball, please do not check them out until after 2:00pm.

8th grade students should arrive at West Valley I at 5:30pm.

9th grade students will attend La Caille on Thursday, May 18th from 4:30pm - 10:00pm. Attire checks for 9th grade are due tomorrow!



We are in DESPERATE NEED FOR VOLUNTEERS for the 8th grade dinner on Friday May 5th and Saturday May 6th. If you are available, please come to WVI at 6:00 on Friday and Saturday night to help clean dishes.

Remember ALL of these Culminating Events are MANDATORY for students' 4th period grades.

*Wednesday, May 10th 9th Grade Ball prep during 4th period

After-School Programs (Sistema & Collegium Hall)

Collegium Hall

We're heading into our last term with great momentum! Completing over 3000 assignments last term, students have been working hard to track and complete their homework and missing work. They have currently completed 882 assignments. Parents, please remember that you are always welcome to attend Collegium Hall with your student!

Elementary:

- Knights of the Game Table: Mondays - 3:50-4:50 pm
- Sistema: M/T/F - 3:50-6:30 pm, W/Th - 2:50-5:30 pm
- 6th Grade Art Club: Mondays - 3:30 - 5:00 pm

Secondary:

- Latin Club: Monday and Thursday - during 2nd dismissal
- S.T.E.A.M Club: Every other Wednesday (Some Thursdays) 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
- Gardening Club - Th - 6th - 9th - 3:00-4:15 pm

Sistema MAKE A NOTE!

May 5th - No Sistema (7th grade dance - No room for Sistema)

May 8th - No Sistema (12:15 Dismissal - Professional Development)

May 22nd Lights Off - 3:30-6:30

May 29th - No Sistema (Memorial Day)

May 31st - 5:30 p.m. Sistema Spring Concert

June 2nd Last Day of Sistema

June 5-9 - No Sistema the last week of school

Sistema Registration

Registration is now open for the 2017-18 school year. All current Sistema students will need to re-register for next year. Attached is the QR codes for the English and Spanish.

English: <http://goo.gl/forms/OrxgdQyrebFYm6Mv2>

Spanish: <http://goo.gl/forms/5igDwEvvp3Au6nfg1>

Every Monday Matters:

This year we have added to our musical training a unit called Every Monday Matters. The purpose is to help the students see their importance in the world. We have a different theme of the month and special lessons each week. The theme for the month of May is Monday Gets Healthy. Week 2 - Know the Facts.

Community Corner

Parent Club Meeting - Wednesday, May 10th at 5:00 pm