



## American Prep-West Valley 1 Campus Newsletter August 20, 2021

<p><b>CALENDAR</b>          Wednesday, Aug 25  <b>Wednesday, Aug 25</b>          Thursday, Aug 26          Wed Sept 1,8,15,22,29          Friday, Sept 3          Monday, Sept 6          Wed Sept 1,8,15,22,29          Friday, Sept 10          Tuesday, Sept 14          Thursday, Sept 16          Friday, Sept 17          Thursday, Sept 23          September 27-Oct 1          Friday, Oct 1          Tuesday, Oct 5          Friday, Oct 8          Tuesday, Oct 12          Thursday, Oct 14          Friday, Oct 15          October 18-22</p>	<p><b>FIRST TERM EVENTS &amp; DATES</b>          “Show What You Know” Assembly (Weekly campus assembly @ 8:15)  <b>Parent “Back to School” Orientation Night 6-8pm**</b>          UCA Board Meeting 7-9pm @ APS offices (monthly meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday)          September “Show What You Know” Assemblies 8:15-8:45 am          Spirit Wear Friday (1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month – Wear your APA spirit wear!)          No School – Labor Day          September “SWYK” Assemblies (Weekly campus assembly @ 8:15)          “Lights On” Family/Community Event @ APA-WV1 3:30-5:30pm          “Parent Empowerment” Zoom Workshop #1: Mental Health 7-8 pm          5<sup>th</sup> Grade Ambassador Event: “Friendship” 12:25-2:50pm          Constitution Day: Reading of the Constitution!          6<sup>th</sup> Grade Ambassador Event: “Take Flight” 12:25-2:50pm          West Valley 1 “College Week”          Spirit Wear Friday (1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month – Wear your APA spirit wear!)          4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Fieldtrips          12:15 Dismissal for all Students (1<sup>st</sup> Term Grading Day)          1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Fieldtrips          School Photo Day          End of Term 1-Report Cards come home          No School – Fall Break</p>
	<p><b>**Mandatory Parent Event</b>          Electronic calendar can be accessed on the website @ <a href="http://westvalley1.americanprep.org/">http://westvalley1.americanprep.org/</a>          Facebook page: <a href="https://facebook.com/americanprepWV/">https://facebook.com/americanprepWV/</a></p>

### **WV1 “CRITICAL” info. If you can’t read anything else...read this.**

- **Wednesday, August 25, 6-8 pm. Parent “Back to School” Orientation.** First mandatory meeting for parents! This is for adults ...students do not need to attend. Don’t miss this!
- **Morning carpool.**
  - Drop off is between 7:45-8:10 am. Pull forward as far as you can. Lots of cars!
  - Students will gather in the courtyards with staff. At 7:50 students will move into the gym. Teachers will pick up their students in the gym at 8:00 am.
  - After 8:00, students go directly to their classrooms through any door.
  - Parents/visitors MUST go through main doors.
- **Afternoon carpool.**
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Dismissal families—your students are dismissed at 2:50/3:50. You won’t enter the parking lot until 2:45/3:45. Please plan on arriving after that time.
- **It has been a great, wet, first week! ☺ Keep reading for more West Valley 1 info!**



## ***August Builder Theme: Be A Builder!***

Welcome back to school! As we begin a new year, we are reminding our wonderful students to "Be a Builder!" at school and at home or wherever they go. This year's Character Development/Ambassador theme is "What will you pack on your life's journey?" Your students will watch this intro video during lunch time on Wednesday August 25th. We encourage you to watch it as well! Just click the link or scan the QR code: [2021 Intro to the Year: Pack Your Suitcase for Life](#)



### **Parent "Back to School" Orientation—YAY!**

Parents—get ready for a fun, exciting evening that will be brimming with information that will help you become more familiar with American Prep programs and policies, and tips and tricks that will help you support your student in a successful academic year! 2021-2022 Parent/Student Handbooks, your hanging carpool tags, updated school calendars, and information from your homeroom teachers will be given to you on this night. There will be a raffle with some great, useful or just plain fun prizes. There will be great ideas on how you can volunteer and get involved at the school—and a chance to sign up for your favorite ways to volunteer. Remember, this is an evening planned especially for our APA parents/guardians, so please make other arrangements for your children. This night is for YOU. Can't wait! Wednesday, August 25 from 6-8 pm. Gym doors will open at 5:30!

### **Spirit Days – Spirit Wear**

The first Friday of each month is Spirit Day! Students, staff (and parents too!) are welcome to wear their APA Spirit Wear on this day. These Spirit Wear tops are worn with the normal uniform bottoms. Our next Spirit Day will be Friday, September 3. APA spirit wear can be purchased online at [www.americanprep.org/store](http://www.americanprep.org/store)

### **"Lights On" Family/Community Event – September 10**

On Friday, September 10, 3:30-5:30pm. This fun afternoon is for the whole family! There will be games and activities, performances by our Sistema music students and information about our upcoming Friday Clubs. Community partners will be joining us to share info and opportunities with our families. If you have contact with an organization that would like to participate as a community partner, please email Mrs. Connie McCullough. [cmccullough@apamail.org](mailto:cmccullough@apamail.org). This is a great time to meet other parents and have some family fun!



## **Uniforms—Getting it Just Right!** (Week 2 of 3)

Our teachers will be vigilant this month helping your students wear their uniform correctly! If you are unsure about shoes (all black- soles and tops) or whether your child wears a knit polo or a dress shirt with their uniform (K-3 polo or dress shirt/blouse, 4-6 dress shirt/blouse only) or what they can wear on Fridays as an option...please check the uniform guide on the website and the helpful uniform videos put together by the Character Development team. Remember that during Term 1 (and Term 5) students may wear khaki uniform shorts as an option.

Here are the links:



Uniform Guide: <https://www.americanprep.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/Draper-1-Draper-2-West-Valley-1-.pdf>

Uniform Videos: These links will be live if you access this newsletter from your email.

[K - 3rd Grade Uniforms](#)



[4th - 6th Grade Uniforms](#)



[3rd - 4th Grade Uniform Transition](#)



## **Volunteering - Reporting Your Hours and Donations**



We will again be reporting volunteer hours and donations via this google form. Thanks to parent feedback, we will give you updates each term on where you are at in your 20 hours of volunteer time. Please sign up with your teacher for classroom opportunities or on the sign up sheets at Parent “Back to School” Orientation on August 25. We are so excited to have our parents back with us! Report your volunteer hours here: <https://forms.gle/BM4czREG5qKbiPicA> This link will be included with each newsletter for handy access.



Students AND staff were so happy to have this beautiful day and **OUTDOOR RECESS** on the playground!

