

November 20, 2023

# APA-West Valley 1 Newsletter



Thanks to all of the parents who donated food, decorated, prepped food, served and cleaned up—all who helped to make the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Medieval Festival such a fun success!  
*American Prep-West Valley 1: 801-839-3613 / Website @ <https://westvalley1.americanprep.org/>*

## Calendar

### \*Newly added dates to this list

- Every Wednesday 4th-6th Show-What-You-Know Assembly @ 8:15 am. Parents are always welcome!
- Every Thursday K-3rd Show-What-You-Know Assembly @ 8:15 am. Parents are always welcome!
- Most Fridays Friday Clubs – Pickup at 4:30pm
  
- November 22-24 No School – Thanksgiving Break
- November 29\* Kick-Off Day for our annual service drive - Hygiene Heroes\*
- Friday, December 1 Spirit Day! Students can wear their APA Spirit Wear / Friday Clubs
- Tuesday, Dec 6 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Fair (still hoping for more judges!)
- Friday, December 8 Term 2 Missing Work Deadline / Friday Clubs
- Tuesday, Dec 12 Sistema Winter Concert 6:00pm
- Wednesday, Dec 13 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Winter Music Concert 6:00pm
- Thursday, Dec 14 RU STORE FOR 2<sup>nd</sup> TERM
- Friday, Dec 15 Spirit Day! Students can wear their APA Spirit Wear / Friday Clubs
- Tuesday, Dec 19 Early Dismissal 12:15/12:25 / End of Term 2 / Reports Cards come home
- Dec 20-Jan 2 Winter Break
- Wednesday, Jan 3 Term 3 begins

## November Builders Theme: I am a Builder when I Express Gratitude in Word and Deed

Many of us have taken the opportunity during these last weeks to share expressions of gratitude. Thank you for sharing yours. Not only does it lift the person receiving those words of gratitude, it lifts the giver as well. There is a healing power in gratitude that is unexpected. When we develop an attitude of gratitude, we find more and more to be grateful for, even during times of hardship and challenge--maybe especially during those times.

We are grateful to each of you—for your commitment to your families, for your efforts and sacrifices that allow your children be part of an American Prep education, for your example and encouragement that we all are strengthened by. Thank you for being part of our American Preparatory Academy-West Valley 1 community!

## Science Fair-December 5! Looking for a few more judges!

Do you want to be part of something great—giving our 6<sup>th</sup> grade students a chance to share their projects and practice their interviewing and presentation skills? This is your chance! Our science fair will be on Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> this year and it promises to be our very best one yet! Thank you to those who have already signed up to be a judge for our science fair! We are hoping to get 10 more volunteers to complete our judging team. The time commitment will be about two hours—from about 1:15 to 3:15. Elementary judges should have some understanding of the scientific process i.e. asking questions and testing hypotheses or engineering process designing and testing prototypes. We can help you with this. ☺ If you would like to sign up—please use this link: [Judges Signup](#)



## 2024-2025 Calendar! Ready to add these dates?

For you early planners—the next two pages are the 2024-2025 school year calendar—hot off the presses.

### Free English Classes!

If you are interested in learning English or improving your English, come and join our adult English classes. They are free and open to anyone in the community. Bring a friend and come! Mondays and Tuesdays from 2:30-3:30pm. Check in at the front office when you arrive.

### Safety Reminders at School—Students may not carry medication (Week 3 of 3)

Parents—please share this information with any person who helps care for your children. NO MEDICATION can be sent to school with children. Students MAY NOT self-administer any medication—**not even cough drops and vitamins**. If you feel your student needs medication during the school day, you may come in and give it to them yourself or you can leave it in the front office after completing a form allowing the office to administer it. *Please see Parent-Student Handbook, pg.33 Medications and P.49-51 Infractions and Banned Items.*

**Banned Items** Additionally, please review the infraction and banned items list with your children. We have had two recent incidents where a banned item was brought in a backpack. Even if brought innocently, it can result in serious discipline consequences. The listed items are never allowed on campus. <https://www.americanprep.org/parent-student-handbooks/>



### Are you on ALMA? (Every week it fits! 😊)

Our grading program, ALMA, is accessible to you 24/7 to view your students grades and to be aware of any work that has not been turned in or can be redone for a better score. If you have not activated your ALMA account, please email Mrs. Ferlo or Ms. Cannon in the academic office and they will help you get started. [mferlo@apamail.org](mailto:mferlo@apamail.org) or [hcannon@apamail.org](mailto:hcannon@apamail.org)

### Report Your Volunteer Hours and Donations (Included every week)

#### Do you have volunteer hours to report for 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> term?

Did you help at Lights On? Did you come to the Day of Service? (Be sure you report hours for each family member that came and worked!) Did you go on a field trip? Did you watch the Parent Empowerment Zoom meeting? (You can report 2 hours of volunteer time for that!) Have you helped here at school or made donations to the classroom? Have your family/carpool # close by and take a minute to report these! Please use this link to report them. It is included on the back of your carpool tag as well. <https://forms.gle/WEMFz3JjkSc535Lb8>



# 2024-2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR

## American Prep–West Valley 1

1255 W. Crystal Ave, West Valley City, UT 84119 Phone: (801) 839-3613

16 - Meet and Greet  
 21 - First Day of School  
 21-23 - Early Dismissal for K only  
 29 - Parent "Back to School"  
 Orientation

AUGUST 2024						
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7 - Elementary Grading - Early Dismissal  
 17-21 Midwinter Break - No School

2 - Labor Day - No School

SEPTEMBER 2024						
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MARCH 2025						
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7 - Builder of the Year Assembly  
 12-13 Parent/Teacher Conferences  
 14 - No School  
 18 - PD - Early Dismissal

4 - Elementary Grading - Early Dismissal  
 14-18 - Fall Break - No School  
 22 - PD - Early Dismissal

OCTOBER 2024						
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APRIL 2025						
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27	28	29	30			

7-11 - Spring Break - No School  
 14-30 - Assessment Days \*No scheduled  
 absences approved\*

5 - Veterans Day Assembly  
 6-7 - Parent/Teacher Conferences  
 8 - No School  
 27-29 - Thanksgiving Break - No School

NOVEMBER 2024						
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MAY 2025						
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1-23 - Assessment Days \*No scheduled  
 absences approved\*  
 19 - Memorial Day Assembly  
 26 - Memorial Day - No School

Dec. 20 Early Dismissal  
 Dec.23-Jan 3 - Winter Break - No  
 School

DECEMBER 2024						
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JUNE 2025						
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29	30					

4 - Field Day - Early Dismissal  
 5 - Last Day of School - Early Dismissal

20 - MLK Jr Day - No School  
 24 - PD - Early Dismissal

JANUARY 2025						
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### WV1 School Schedule

**Mon-Tues-Fri**  
 Drop off - 7:50 am - 8:15 am  
 Class Hours - 8:15 am - 3:25  
 /3:50

**Early Dismissals**  
 12:15/12:35 pm

### WV1 School Schedule

**Wed-Thurs**  
 Drop off - 7:50 am - 8:15 am  
 Class Hours - 8:15 am - 2:25/2:50 pm

**2024-2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR**  
**West Valley 1**

<b>Day</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
M - F	Aug 5 - 9	<i>Staff Only</i> - DI Training Week
M - F	Aug 12-16	<i>Staff Only</i> - Preservice
Friday	Aug 16	Meet and Greet 1-3 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>August 21</b>	<b>First Day of School</b>
Wed-Friday	Aug 21-23	<i>Early Dismissal</i> - Kindergarten only
Thursday	August 29	Parent Orientation 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Monday	September 2	<i>No School</i> - Labor Day
Friday	October 4	<i>Early Dismissal</i> - Elementary Grading
M - F	October 14 - 18	<i>No School</i> - Fall Break
Tuesday	October 22	<i>Early Dismissal</i> - Professional Development
Tuesday	November 5	Veterans Day Assembly 1:00pm
Wed-Thurs	November 6-7	Parent Teacher Conferences 3-8pm
Friday	November 8	<i>No School</i>
W - F	November 27 - 29	<i>No School</i> - Thanksgiving Break
Wed-Tuesday	Dec 23 - Jan 3	<i>No School</i> - Winter Break
Monday	January 20	<i>No School</i> - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Friday	January 24	<i>Early Dismissal</i> - Professional Development
Friday	February 7	<i>Early Dismissal</i> - Elementary Grading
M - F	February 17 - 21	<i>No School</i> - Midwinter Break
Friday	March 7	Builder of the Year Assembly 1:00pm
Wed-Thurs	March 12-13	Parent Teacher Conferences
Friday	March 14	<i>No School</i>
Tuesday	March 18	<i>Early Dismissal</i> - Professional Development/ACT testing for secondary
M - F	April 7 - 11	<i>No School</i> - Spring Break
Mon-Friday	April 14 - May 23	<i>*No scheduled absences approved*</i> - Assessment Days
Monday	May 19	Memorial Day Assembly at 1:30 pm
Monday	May 26	<i>No School</i> - Memorial Day
Wednesday	June 4	<i>Early Dismissal</i> - Field Day
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>June 5</b>	<i>Early Dismissal</i> <b>Last Day of School</b>
Mon-Friday	June 6 - 13	<i>Staff Only</i> - Post Service Training

**Elementary Term Schedule 2023-2024**

- Term 1 - August 21st - October 11th
- Term 2 - October 21st - December 20th
- Term 3 - January 6th - February 14th
- Term 4 - February 24th - April 4th
- Term 5 - April 14th - June 5th

*\*Report cards are released on the last day of the term\**