APA-West Valley 1 Newsletter



Our 3 Constitution Bee Teams competing at the State Capitol! American Prep-West Valley 1: 801-839-3613 / Website @ <u>https://westvalley1.americanprep.org</u>/

Calendar

April 15, 2024

*Newly added to the calendar

- Every Wednesday
- Every Thursday
- Most Fridays
- Tuesday/Thursdays

Tuesday, April 16 Tuesday, April 16 Thursday, April 18* Friday, April 19* Thursday, April 18 Tuesday, April 23 Thursday, April 25* Friday, April 26* Friday, April 26 Friday, April 26 Friday, April 26 Saturday, April 27 Tuesday, April 30 Friday, May 3 May 6-24 Friday, May 10 Thursday, May 16 Friday, May 17 Friday, May 17 Saturday, May 18 Monday, May 20 Tuesday, May 21 Tuesday, May 21 Wednesday, May 22 Wednesday, May 22 Wednesday, May 22 Thursday, May 23 Thursday, May 23 Friday, May 24* Friday, May 24 Friday, May 24 Monday, May 27 Tuesday, May 28 Wednesday, May 29 Thursday, May 30

4-6 "Show-What-You-Know" assembly @ 8:15 Parents are always welcome! K-3 "Show-What-You-Know" assembly @ 8:15 Parents are always welcome! Friday Clubs: Pickup at 4:30 p.m.

8:30 am/6:30 pm. School tours and new student assessments by appointment

K-3 Field Trips Freedom's Light Elementary Constitution Bee. 4-8 pm. Good luck Constitution Team! K-3 "Rockstar Reading" Acadience Day – Parent Volunteer Opportunity! K-3 "Rock Concert" 8:20-8:35 am. Utah's Great Shakeout Day 4-6 Field Trips 4-6 "Rockstar Reading" Acadience Day – Parent Volunteer Opportunity! 4-6 "Rock Concert" 8:20-8:35 am. Midterm Work Deadline Final Day of Clubs All Campus Art Show @ WV2 5-7pm All Campus Art Show @ WV2 10-12 noon Sistema Final Concert @ 6pm Spirit Wear Friday Elementary End-of-Year testing weeks. Please-no scheduled absences! "Lights Off" Family Event 3:30-5:30pm / More info coming! -Volunteer Opportunity! Volunteer Assembly & Brunch and Welcome to New Kinders! 8:15-10:00am. Spirit Wear Friday Term 5 Final Work Deadline for Kindergarten APA District Fun Run 9:30-11:30am / More info coming! - Parent Volunteer Opportunity! Memorial Day Assembly 1:30pm 1st Grade End of Year "Show-What-You-Know" Program 5:30pm 4th Grade End of Year "Show-What-You-Know" Program 6:30pm Term 5 Final Work Deadline for Grades 1-6 2nd Grade End of Year "Show-What-You-Know" Program 5:30pm 5th Grade End of Year "Show-What-You-Know" Program 6:30pm Character Development End of Year Assembly 1:00pm - Parent Volunteer Opportunity! 3rd Grade End of Year "Show-What-You-Know" Program 5:30pm 6th Grade End of Year Concert & Graduation Program 11:00-12:00 Last Day of Kindergarten / SWYK Program 9:30am Last Day of Sistema Memorial Day – No School Campus Cleanup & Yearbook Day - Parent Volunteer Opportunity! Field Day Fun - 12:15 Dismissal - Parent Volunteer Opportunity! Last Day of School – 12:15 Dismissal – 6th Grade Parent Volunteer Opportunity!

April Builder Theme:

I am a builder when I use kind and courteous words

Over the break I received an unexpected email from a former APA student. When I saw her name--Lexi--a cute, eight-year-old face immediately popped into my mind. I pulled out my old, Draper campus yearbook and there she was, just as I remembered her! Lexi was in third-grade during the 2009-2010 school year and I was lucky because I was her homeroom teacher that year. 15 years ago! In her email, she expressed such kind appreciation for that year in third grade—remembering details about things she'd learned and sharing how important that year had been to her. She told me that in high school, she'd been given an assignment to write about a teacher who had impacted her life and that she had written about me. I was touched to think I had stayed in her thoughts beyond those elementary years! Now Lexi is a beautiful young adult—getting ready to graduate from college! 15 years! How fast time flies!

As I respond, I will tell her, of course, how absolutely delightful and joyful it was to receive her email. I hope, also, that I can convey to Lexi what an impact *her* kind words have had on me! It was a beaming, bright, unexpected moment on the day that I first read them, but those kind, generous words she shared will stay in my heart-- cherished and treasured always. Lexi—you are a builder. In 2009 and still in 2024! Thank you for being an APA builder for life!

Good Luck to our Constitution Bee Teams!

This year our campus has 3 student teams who will be competing at the Freedom's Light Foundation Constitution Bee. These students have been diligently coming before school each day to learn and study and prepare for the competition. The Constitution Bee will be held in the beautiful rotunda at the State Capitol on Tuesday, April 16. The competition begins at 4:00. A huge thank you to our mentors—Mrs. Furniss and Ms. Beebe who have been working with our students. And thank you to our students for your preparation and enthusiasm! Good luck! Our three teams:

Soaring Eagles		West Valley 1 Wolve	s	The Senators	
Luna Escalona	6-F	Nessa Freeman	6-B	Alana Carrillo	6-C
Sicely Fernlund	5-H	Sandra Freeman	4-BB	Mia Ramos	5-B
Epi Thor	5-H	Alondra Muñoz	6-C	Allison Portales	4-EB
Sarah Mahamud	4-BB	Monserrath Caballero	6-C	Shannon Estrada	6-F
Asma Khan	6-B	Natalia Gomez	6-C	Carson Thomson	4-EB

Field Trips! K-3 Thank you Chaperones! 4th-6th Field Trips Next Week on 4/23.

Thank you to those parents who have completed the fingerprinting requirements to be chaperones for field trips! A list of parents able to chaperone has been shared with the teachers. Parents who complete the process will receive a clearance letter from HR. If you received a clearance letter but this is not indicated on the "approved" list we received from HR, please let us know asap so we can verify with HR.

If you have not completed the process, we will look forward to your volunteer help in other ways. We ask that only parents signed up as chaperones attend the field trips.

This mandatory fingerprinting process is required by the state of Utah for chaperones and other volunteers working with students (this could be at school events, as chaperones on field trips, during after school clubs, or other time spent in a supervisory capacity with students.) Appointments can be made using this link: <u>SIGN UP HERE!</u> Fingerprinting is being done at the West Valley 2 campus and at the district offices in Draper. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Brenna Fontaine at <u>bfontaine@apamail.org</u>.



Order Your Yearbook Online – Limited Number Available (Until we run out! ©)

Sales continue for our beautiful 2023-2024 yearbooks. What a fantastic way to capture the memories of this 2023-2024 school year! The yearbook has been submitted to the printer—with a request to print 200 books. We have already sold over half of those—so order soon if you haven't already! Students will receive and enjoy signing each other's yearbooks on Tuesday, May 28! These are ordered online at <u>www.purchaseyearbook.com</u> with our campus code: APAWV1YB24. The cost is \$30.



Join our Parent Advisory Committee

Every school must have a Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) comprising of school administration and parents, with parents being the majority of the committee. The PAC meets 4 times per year and participates 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.

Our annual Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) elections are coming up and we are looking for volunteers to serve for the 2024-2025 school year. There are no term limits; as long as the volunteer has students enrolled in the school and is actively participating, they are welcome to continue serving on the committee.

If you are interested, please contact Rebecca Dailey at landtrust@apamail.org no later than Monday, April 29, 2024 at 4pm.

Please include:

- Your name
- The campus you are running for
- Your students name and grade
- Your phone number and email address
- A short (70 words or less) paragraph on why you are interested in being on the committee.
- The ballot link will go home as the last page of the May 3 newsletter and elections will run through Wednesday, May 8. The 2024-25 committee names will be posted in your campus' May 10 newsletter.

Thank you, Rebecca Dailey Land Trust Grant Manager American Preparatory Academy Schools



Community News – Free Passes (Ages 5-18) to SL County Rec

Centers (Week 2 of 2)

Salt Lake County Parks & Recreation is offering a free "My County Rec Pass" to Salt Lake County residents ages 5-18. This great pass gets children in free to any participating rec center during the summer. Pre-Registration is happening now—in person—at one of the listed centers. The pass activates on June 1. See the flyer on the last page of the newsletter for more info.

2024-2025 Urgent Enrollment Need Across the District

Can you Spread the Word? (Week 2 of 4)

Hello American Prep families! We have a special request to make of all our parents and staff. This year is the last year we will receive the federal funding that we have received since COVID. This means that we will be faced with cutting programs or staff positions UNLESS we can add students to our schools. We prefer to add students!

But to do this, we need your help! Over 90% of our new students hear about our school through friends or family members. This means that YOU are our BEST AMBASSADORS! We have opened new classes at our schools for next year and need to increase enrollment by 300 students district-wide. We currently have about 5,000 students and we need 5,300 in order to keep our programs in place. Today we sent home a flyer with your child. Please take a picture of it and send it to as many people as you can. The flyer is also attached to today's newsletter. Campuses will be holding evening open houses after spring break. The flyer has a QR code that lists the Open House dates, times and addresses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP IN BRINGING APA TO 300 MORE LUCKY STUDENTS!



Breakfast! If you would like to participate in the breakfast program, order online the same way you order school lunches. https://apalunch.h1.hotlunchonline.net/

Cost: \$1.50

Cost for students who qualify for free or reduced price meals--\$0.00

Sample Menus – the following main items will be rotated, along with a variety of fruit and vegetables.

Order Meals Online

- Muffin & fruit, with a choice of baby carrots, vegetable, white milk
- Yogurt, wheat crackers, & fruit, with a choice of baby carrots, vegetable, white milk
- Cheese stick, graham crackers, & fruit, with a choice of baby carrots, vegetable, white milk
- Bagel, cream cheese, & fruit, with a choice of baby carrots, vegetable, white milk

Gluten free – Yogurt, cheese stick, & fruit, with a choice of baby carrots, vegetable, white milk Dairy free – Hummus, Fritos, & fruit, with a choice of baby carrots, vegetable, white milk

FSO (Family/School Organization) Corner

If you have any questions about volunteering, please contact us!

FSO Leadership: Celeste Lopez, Madison Parsons - wv1fso@apamail.org

Do you have volunteer and donation hours to report? (Included every week) Use this link to report them. It is also included on the back of the carpool label. Please include your Family/Carpool #.

https://forms.gle/WEMFz3JjkSc535Lb8



