

American Prep-West Valley 1: 801-839-3613 / Website @ https://westvalley1.americanprep.org/

#### Calendar

Sistema Utah Application is open online (Grades 2-6) Mon-Thurs, August 12-15 Staff Pre-Service Week: Limited office hours Tuesday, August 13 Enrollment Meeting & Tour - 6:30pm (let your friends & family know) Friday, August 16 1-3 PM - Meet & Greet Open House – Class Lists Posted—Meet your teacher! Wednesday, August 21 First Day of School - 8:15 am Wednesday, August 21 First Day of Sistema Afterschool Program Wed-Thurs-Fri, Aug 21, 22, 23 12:15 Dismissal Days for Kindergarten only Thursday, August 29 Parent "Back to School" Orientation (Parents Only) 6-8pm Monday, September 2 Labor Day - No School Friday, September 6 Spirit Wear Friday Friday, September 6 WV1 "Lights On" Family Event 3:30-5:30pm Parent Empowerment Zoom 7pm "Internet Safety and Bullying" Tuesday, September 10 Tuesday, September 17 Constitution Day – Reading the Constitution – 9 am. 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Ambassador Event – "Take Flight" 12-3pm Volunteer Opportunity Thursday, September 19 Spirit Wear Friday Friday, September 20 Thursday, September 26 Vision Screening – 8am -12pm Volunteer Opportunity 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Ambassador Event – "Friendship" 12-3 Volunteer Opportunity Thursday, September 26

## Hello American Prep-West Valley 1 Families:

It's hard to believe, but school starts in just a week and a half! The staff just completed the first of two weeks of training and preservice work and we are excited for this new year! We are looking forward to seeing all of you--our returning families and our brand-new APA families.

These newsletters are a way of keeping our APA West Valley 1 families informed. Once school begins, we will send out weekly newsletters via the email address you provided during enrollment and often a hard copy sent home with your student. Please take a few minutes each week to keep up-to-date on school events by reading the weekly newsletter.

# Class Lists and Elementary "Meet and Greet" - Friday, August 16th

Elementary class lists will be posted Friday, August 16th by 1:00 pm. Our elementary teachers will be available in their classrooms from 1-3 pm that day to "meet and greet" your student(s). Drop by anytime from 1-3 and say hello, find your classroom and meet your teacher. No early birds, please! We'll be ready and have the doors open for you at 1:00, but not earlier. Thanks for waiting until 1:00! ©

# Sistema – Afterschool Music Program

Sistema is our award winning afterschool music program that serves students in grades 2-6. Sistema runs for three hours each day. (3:30-6:30 M, T, F and 2:30-5:30 W,Th) It begins on the first day of school. You can get more information and apply for the program here: <a href="https://westvalley1.americanprep.org/after-school-programs/">https://westvalley1.americanprep.org/after-school-programs/</a>

## Summer "Stay Sharp" Packets – When and Where to Turn Them In?

Returning students—your summer packets can be turned into your new teacher at the Meet & Greet on Friday, August 16 or they can be turned in during the first three days of school.

## Carpool "Pickup" Tags

For student pick-up in the afternoons, each family will be given a colored curb assignment and a set of corresponding pick-up tags. These must always be displayed when entering the campus parking lot in the afternoon--starting on the first day of school. You can collect your carpool pick-up tags and instructions in your student's classroom at the Meet & Greet. If you are unable to attend the Meet & Greet, please stop by the school on Monday or Tuesday before the first day of school to get them. If you need to change your carpool pickup color (for example—you share rides with another family and you need to have the same color curb assignment) there is a form in the office to request the change. Once approved, we will notify you and get new pick-up tags prepared.

#### First Week of School - Schedule

We are so excited to see our wonderful students! School begins promptly each morning and students should be in their seats before the tardy bell rings at 8:15am. Doors open at 7:50 am. so please plan your drop-off time accordingly.

Here is the normal daily schedule:

Monday: 8:15 am - 3:25 (1<sup>st</sup> Dismissal) and 3:50 (2<sup>nd</sup> Dismissal) Tuesday: 8:15 am - 3:25 (1<sup>st</sup> Dismissal) and 3:50 (2<sup>nd</sup> Dismissal) Wednesday: 8:15 am - 2:25 (1<sup>st</sup> Dismissal) and 2:50 (2<sup>nd</sup> Dismissal) Thursday: 8:15 am - 2:25 (1<sup>st</sup> Dismissal) and 2:50 (2<sup>nd</sup> Dismissal) Friday: 8:15 am - 3:25 (1<sup>st</sup> Dismissal) and 3:50 (2<sup>nd</sup> Dismissal)

That is the *normal* daily schedule, but please REMEMBER...

**KINDERGARTEN will be dismissing at 12:15** for the first three days of school, (only kindergarten!) Our first day of a school might *feel* like a Monday, but **remember it is a WEDNESDAY** and the next day is THURSDAY—so dismissal time for grades 1-6 on the first two days of school is at 2:25/2:50 pm.

# Lunch Program – Ordering Deadline for 1st Day of School is Sunday, August 18

Students may order lunches online through the school lunch program or bring a lunch from home. The school's cold lunches are prepared at the central kitchen and are then delivered to each campus. Lunches must be ordered 72 hours in advance—so the ordering deadline for the first week of school is Sunday, August 18. *If you don't order before the deadline of August 18, please plan on sending a lunch from home for the first day(s) of school.* 

American Prep participates in the National School Lunch Program and students may qualify for free or reduced-price lunches. We ask ALL parents to fill out an application - even if they do not qualify for, or plan to participate in, the National School Lunch Program. This information is kept confidential and is important to APA as we seek funding for our students.

Free and Reduced Price Meal Application: <a href="https://www.americanprep.org/school-lunch-program">https://www.americanprep.org/school-lunch-program</a> Lunches are ordered online at this link: <a href="https://apalunch.h1.hotlunchonline.net/">https://apalunch.h1.hotlunchonline.net/</a> Questions? <a href="https://apalunch.h1.hotlunchonline.net/">https://apalunch.h1.hotlunchonline.net/</a>

# Tips & Information for a Successful First Day of School – Dropping Off & Picking Up

- Families with kindergarten students may park and walk their kindergarten students inside the building on the first day of school. Please use the crosswalk by the main doors where a staff member is posted. You will bring them to meet their teachers in the multipurpose room. Please say "goodbye" in the multipurpose room. You won't be following your little one and their teacher to the classroom, so admin will be on hand to offer support and snacks to any tender, teary kindergarten parents. You've got this!
- We encourage all other parents to drop their students off at the curb. Your students will appreciate your confidence in their independence!

- When dropping off your student in the morning, always pull forward as far as possible before unloading. Stay in your car and have your students get out on the curb side of the car. The line moves safely and efficiently when everyone follows these rules.
- On the 1st day of school all 1st-6th grade students will go directly to their homeroom class to be greeted by staff.
- All student pick-up in the afternoon happens at the appropriate curb at the appropriate time—into the appropriate car that has a pick-up tag appropriately posted. © The office is closed during this time and office staff are not available to answer questions or help. Parents who try to park and walk onto campus during carpool or who ask their students to walk out to them will be reminded of the rules and kindly asked to join the carpool line. This is a BIG safety protocol—and we thank you in advance for following the rules for picking up your student!
- Families with GREEN or PINK pick-up tags are part of 2<sup>nd</sup> Dismissal. 2<sup>nd</sup> Dismissal cars need to wait until after 2:45 or 3:45 before entering the parking lot.
- Plan some extra time for pick-up during the first week as students and parents—and even new staff--are learning the routine of how drop-off and pick-up work. Thank you for your patience. Know that it WILL get faster...it always does.

### Walking Passes for Students

We love being part of this neighborhood and know that some of you live close enough to have the opportunity and convenience of walking to/from school. Walking passes are issued to elementary students whose address is within 1.5 miles of the school. If you would like your student to be considered for a walking pass, please complete a form with the front office during the Meet & Greet.

## Pick-Up by Daycare Vehicles

If your student attends a daycare in the afternoon, please complete the form in the front office so we have all the needed information to release your student to the daycare driver. Any changes to their daycare schedule need to be communicated with the front office.

#### **Student Medication**

If your student requires medication to be administered at school, bring the medication (in its original bottle) and the signed, completed form that applies to your student to Mrs. Oveson in the front office on the day of the Meet and Greet or anytime during the first week of school.

# **Dockets & Name Badges**

All new students will be provided with a nametag and docket. Dockets and nametags for returning students were collected at the end of last year and will be given to them on the first day of school. If your student needs a new docket (\$10), new folders (\$2) or did not turn in a nametag (\$5) at the end of the year, these can be purchased from the front office.

# **Uniform Prep – Ready for the First Day of School**

The 2024-2025 uniform guide has a fresh look and new photos and can be found on the school website under parent resources. https://www.americanprep.org/topic/uniforms/

There are no changes to the uniform this year, but because we often see these uniform "OOPS" (and want to help you avoid them) here are some reminders:

- ALL 4th-6th grades, must wear a white oxford shirt or white blouse, *not a white polo*.
- Pants & shorts are uniform-style. Not jean style, cargo style or jogger style.
- As a general rule...any white shirt needs to be covered by a jumper (K-3 girls,) or a navy sweater vest or navy cardigan.
- Skirts and jumpers must touch the top of the knee.
- Shoes must be ALL BLACK. That includes the soles and the logo.
- Girls may wear blue polos ONLY on Fridays.
- If a student gets chilly in the classroom, they may wear the navy cardigan, not a hoodie or sweatshirt.

If you have questions about any uniform item, feel free to bring it to the Meet & Greet and we can take a look.

### **Spots for a Few More Great Employees!**

APA still has a few positions open for sharp, motivated, enthusiastic people. If you have friends or family members that might be interested, will you please share this information with them and encourage them to apply?

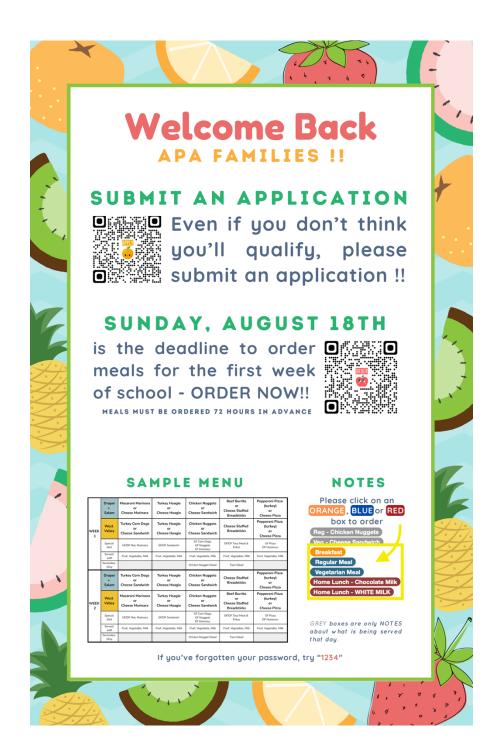
We still have a couple spots open for instructors - we provide all training and no license is required. And we are always looking for great substitutes!

Details and additional open positions can be found on the website <a href="www.americanprep.org/careers">www.americanprep.org/careers</a> or directly accessed through the careers page. <a href="https://www.paycomonline.net/v4/ats/web.php/jobs?clientkey=C126D0FB88263FB854A5139FECF46E55">https://www.paycomonline.net/v4/ats/web.php/jobs?clientkey=C126D0FB88263FB854A5139FECF46E55</a>

### Last Call for any 23-24 Volunteer Hours that Need to Be Reported

Please use this link to report them. Be sure to include your Family/Carpool #. That is how your hours are linked to your family. <a href="https://forms.gle/WEMFz3JjkSc535Lb8">https://forms.gle/WEMFz3JjkSc535Lb8</a>









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