



School Hours –Feb 12-16 – Mon, Tues & Fri - 8:15 – 3:25/3:50 2<sup>nd</sup> Dismissal  
Wed - 12:15 Dismissal (Elementary Only), 2:25/2:50-Jr. High, Thurs – 8:15 – 2:25/2:50 2<sup>nd</sup> Dismissal

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

Friday, Feb 9	Group Homework Deadline - Elementary Only
Monday, Feb 12	Homeroom Homework Deadline - Elementary Only
Tuesday, Feb 13	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Capitol Trip
Wednesday, Feb 14	Grading Day - Early Dismissal - 12:15 pm - Elementary Only - <b>NO SISTEMA</b>
Wednesday, Feb 14	7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Ambassador Activity - La Fiesta - 1:15 - 3:45 pm
Friday, Feb 16	End of Term 3 - Elementary Only
Feb 19 - 23	Mid-Winter Break - <b>NO SCHOOL</b>
Wednesday, Feb 28	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Capitol Trip
Wednesday, Feb 28	Parent University – Paradigm Shift – 7 <sup>th</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Parents – 6:00-7:30 pm

**Upcoming Events**

Thursday, March 1	Parent Teacher Conference - Elementary & Secondary - 3:00 - 7:00 pm - <b>NO SISTEMA OR COLLEGIUM HALL</b>
Friday, March 2	Parent Teacher Conference - Elementary & Secondary - <b>NO SCHOOL</b>
Tuesday, March 13	District Spelling Bee - 12:45 pm at Draper 1
Tuesday, March 27	“Celebration of Excellence” Mandatory Meeting & Registration Packets 8:15 am, 2:30 pm, & 5:30 pm

**February Builder’s Theme - “I am a Builder when I Befriend Others!”**

How to befriend someone: Everyone needs friends right? Befriending someone can be very rewarding. You get to know someone new who you can share experiences with, who you can hang out with, and, hopefully, who you can be friends with for years to come. However, finding someone you want to be friends with, and then starting an actual friendship, can be difficult whether it’s a total stranger or a casual acquaintance.

**Finding a friend as an adult:**

- Find and join a group that does an activity you enjoy. Doing something you enjoy will most likely involve people with a common interest to you, making it easier to get to know them.
- Volunteer with a charitable organization. If you are willing to give your time to a good cause, you may also get a new friend for your time.
- Befriend your neighbor or co-worker. You don’t always have to go out of your neighborhood to find a new friend. Strike up casual conversations with those you see in your neighborhood, at the grocery store, at a school event, etc.

**Finding a friend as a child:**

- Be friendly to kids at school or in your neighborhood. Don’t be afraid to say hello to a kid you don’t already know.
- Play with someone new on the playground. Ask to join a game already in progress or organize a game yourself with a variety of kids.
- Join a sports team or an after school club. There are usually a variety of activities to choose from, so pick an activity you think you might enjoy.



### **Spelling Bee Winners**

Congratulations to these amazing 2018 spellers! Each was a top speller in their classroom or spell-off Spelling Bee and earned a finalist spot in our *1st-3rd* and *4th-8th* School Spelling Bees last week. The 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners of our upper division will now go on to represent West Valley 1 at the APA District Spelling Bee—testing their spelling skills against the top spellers from the other American Prep campuses. W-E-L-L D-O-N-E students!

#### 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grades

1<sup>st</sup> Place - Natashia Molina Romero - (3<sup>rd</sup> grade)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Ivy Black - (3<sup>rd</sup> grade)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Rose Ali - (3<sup>rd</sup> grade)

#### 4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grades

1<sup>st</sup> Place - Hallie Saxton - (5<sup>th</sup> grade)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Mackey Lin - (8<sup>th</sup> grade)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Anna Monrreal Villagrana - (6<sup>th</sup> grade)

### **Congratulations to the Science Fair Winners**

On Monday, our 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade students showed off their science prowess at our annual Science Fair. Congratulations to all the students for their excellent work. Thank you to our science teachers--Ms. Amy Hugh and Mr. Langford, thank you to our wonderful volunteers who came and helped with the judging, and thank you to all of you who came to enjoy the students' work. It was a successful event! Six projects were selected to compete in the Salt Lake Charter Science Fair on February 16. Congratulations to the following students who were recognized during the awards ceremony:

#### **IH Winners—Moving on to the Charter District Science Fair**

1<sup>st</sup> - Tiffany Palacios (8th Grade)  
2<sup>nd</sup> - Kenidee Miller (9th Grade)  
3<sup>rd</sup> - Lyndsey Tran & Anastasia Chanthachack (8th)

#### **6th Grade Winners—Moving on to the Charter District Science Fair**

1<sup>st</sup> - Tuimavave Farr  
2<sup>nd</sup> - Katie Pulley  
3<sup>rd</sup> - Mackenzie Baum

#### **Honorable Mention**

Kai Simon (6th)  
Gean Curfew (6th)  
Hannah Morales (6th)  
Lesley Ramirez (6th)  
Sarah Stevens (8th)  
Jaren Claveria (9th)  
Grace Stables (6th)  
Dulce Olivo (6th)  
Braden Weeks (8th)

#### **Student Choice Awards**

1<sup>st</sup> - Veronica Martinez & Martha Garcia (8th)  
2<sup>nd</sup> - Alex Mandujano & Juan Quinonez (8th)  
3<sup>rd</sup> - Tui Farr (6th)

**Valentine's Day** (February 14) — We encourage students to show they care by doing good deeds for others all during the month. Often, the school participates in a school-wide service project during February. If students wish to exchange valentine cards or treats (completely optional) they may within the following guidelines:

- All classmates must be included in the giving.
- Any treats must be non-food or wrapped as they will be placed in backpacks to be enjoyed at home.

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**This day is one of the exceptions to our “no candy” policy. Wrapped treats are okay for students to share with each other—but please be sure that all of it goes into backpacks to be enjoyed at home.**



**LOST & FOUND** – Our Lost & Found box is bursting at the seams and needs for you to come and check and make sure nothing belongs to your children. We have a table full of jackets, sweaters, shoes, etc., with no names, therefore, no homes. Please come and check our table, across from the main office. At the end of the day, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, anything left will be taken to Good Will.

**2018-2019 Priority Enrollment - Deadline: Friday, February 16th**

**New Siblings:**

It is the time of year where we begin enrollment preparation for 2018-2019 school year. If your student has a sibling that will turn 5 before September 1st, or if you would like an older sibling to come to APA, please go the link below and register siblings.

This application is for **SIBLINGS ONLY** of students currently attending one of American Preparatory Campuses. The lottery for siblings and those with priority enrollment is scheduled for mid-March. You must complete the link below by Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup> to be considered for the lottery.

New Siblings (including Kindergartens) ONLY Link:

[2018-2019 West Valley 1 Sibling and Students of Staff Enrollment Application Solicitud de Inscripción de hermanos\(as\) y estudiantes del personal](#)

**Transferring:**

If you would like to request a transfer to a different American Prep Campus or will not be returning to American Prep for the 2017- 2018 school year, please click on the following link

Request a Transfer or withdraw your student for 2018-2019 School Year

<https://goo.gl/forms/ezQ5bNPvSTbfU6c93>

**If there are no changes** for your family enrollment for 2018-2019, you will receive an enrollment packet later, after attending a Celebration of Excellence meeting on Tuesday, March 27th, 2018 and no immediate action is required. If you have any question contact MaryCarmen Hernandez – [mhernandez@apamail.org](mailto:mhernandez@apamail.org) or 801-839-3613 Ext. 0021.

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**New Governing Board Members** - American Preparatory Academy gives a special welcome to 2 new governing board members - Sean Estes and Thomas Young. Public board meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm at the APA District Office, located at 12894 S. Pony Express Rd., Unit #600.

**Sean Estes, Director.** Mr. Estes joined UCA Board in 2017. He is an entrepreneur and c-level corporative with over 20 years of experience in global technology businesses. He began his career in the Army National Guard and is currently engaged in a Christian Leadership and Management program as a National Society of Collegiate Scholars member at Rawlings School of Divinity, Liberty University.

**Thomas Young, Director.** Dr. Young joined the board in 2017. He is employed at the Utah Legislature and owns Econometric Studios, LLC. He holds a Ph.D. in Financial Economics from the University of Utah and has Bachelor degrees in Applied Physics and Economics. He enjoys sports, early-stage and public investing, econometrics, and public policy.



### **Be A Hero For Our Students**

Are you passionate about your child's after school programs and activities? Do you want to institute a new staff appreciation initiative? Are you concerned about APA families who are experiencing hardships? Have you dreamed of establishing a scholarship? Do you have innovative ideas about how to fundraise? Is your business looking for a sponsorship opportunity? Do you enjoy working with creative, capable individuals? Are you curious about who we are and what we do?

If you are looking for a way to contribute to APA, this is the time. **Friends of APA** is looking for volunteers with a variety of imaginative ideas, talents, and skills. We provide financial support and resources to enhance the learning environment of our students and our organization is evolving right now!

Think about the last time you contributed your time and talents to an important endeavor. How did you feel - confident, compassionate, connected? Those heroic feelings result in greater energy, less depression, and increased self-worth.

**Be a hero for our students by giving just a few hours a month!** Are you passionate about marketing, organizing, writing, photography, web design, event planning, social media, program development, donor recognition, or community outreach? **Sign up, ask questions, or provide feedback by contacting Whitney Haselden** [whaselden@apamail.org](mailto:whaselden@apamail.org).

### **Uniforms--Complete and Worn Correctly**

It's looking great around here. Everyone has gone the extra mile to get their uniforms cleaned up, tucked in, and shined, with name tags to top it off. We are so proud of the way our students are looking and taking pride in themselves. Thanks for all your efforts to make our students look and feel ready to go.

### **Yearbook 2017-18**

Here is how you can submit photos online:

- Go to: <https://images.schoolannualonline.com/login>
- If it does not automatically log you into the site, enter username: 409163614
- Browse to select the photo(s) you wish to upload.
- Enter information about the photo and provide contact information in case the staff needs additional information.
- Click "Save Details".

It's that easy! Submit your photos today!

### **School Lunch**

We have now posted the lunch menu through the end of March, which means that lunches may be ordered through then, if you desire. **We highly recommend ordering lunches all the way through March to ensure that your student receives lunch each day.** If you need assistance with ordering, resetting your password, or anything else, please contact Kristine Stevens, [kstevens@apamail.org](mailto:kstevens@apamail.org)

The website to order school lunches is <https://apalunch.h1.hotlunchonline.net/>

If you would like to apply for free or reduced price meals for your student, please contact Mrs. Stevens. We accept and process applications year-round and there is no penalty for applying, regardless of result.

### **Fruits & Vegetables - Broccoli & Cape Gooseberry**

Broccoli is a very well-known and popular vegetable that originated in Mediterranean regions and parts of Asia. Broccoli grows like a small tree with a thick, edible trunk that sprouts leaves, or branches and clusters of small, tight flower heads that turn bright green when cooked. Once fully mature, the flower buds will sprout golden yellow edible flowers.

Broccoli is eaten both raw as well as cooked or steamed. Broccoli is one of the most nutrient rich vegetables known of.

Cape gooseberries are available most of the year. Resembling a Chinese lantern, the gooseberry is wrapped in a thin, papery, inflated skin. These very tart, piquant fruits turn from a pale green to an amber or gold color as they ripen and offer a flavor similar to a gooseberry or a tart green grape. Cape gooseberries are a good source of vitamin C and provide dietary fiber.



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## Family School Organization



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**Anyone who would like to help in any way, contact Mrs. Oviedo or Mrs. Soledad by calls or texts at any time.**

**Volunteer Raffle** – Remember to keep picking up your tickets for the Volunteer Raffle, but most important is recording your **VOLUNTEER HOURS** on your **COMMUNICATION FOLDERS!**

**Box Tops** – The current Box Top contest is going forward and everyone needs to continue sending in their Box Tops. The winner of this contest will be a pizza party. This time the winner will go to a class and not the whole grade, so everyone needs to work hard to get their pizza party. The party will be February 16<sup>th</sup>, the last day of this term. All the box tops that have been submitted to that point will then be turned in by March 1<sup>st</sup>. So keep buying those special products and sending the Box Tops in. And not just for the party, for the great things the Box Tops can do for our school.

### **English Classes every Monday, Wednesday!**

English classes have had such a great start and are being enjoyed by everyone who has come! Bring your friends and come have fun learning English. These community classes are free and open to everyone who would like to improve their English skills. The days and times are: Monday and Wednesday @ 8:30-9:30 am. Please contact Mrs. Meyerson if you have any questions! [bmeyerson@apamail.org](mailto:bmeyerson@apamail.org).

## **JUNIOR HIGH NEWS**

**PE Uniforms**- Students are required to wear the APA PE uniform. We will be adding this fee to student's accounts at the end of next week February 9. During PE next week, students need to check in with their PE teacher to show them their PE uniform. Those who do not have an APA uniform will need to purchase one. They can be purchased in the JR High office for \$15.

**Name Tags/Uniform Infractions**- In an effort to keep students in class, we will be using a 3 strikes system for students who are missing a name tag or a piece of their uniform (sweater/vest not included). The student will need to call home and inform their parent that they have forgotten an item, and see if someone can bring it to them and if not they will be given a pass for the day. The student can buy a replacement name tag at the office for \$5. Once the student has used their 3 passes, they will be asked to sit out of class until someone can bring them whatever they are missing or until the end of the day. They will be able to receive 3 pass for each (3 for name tag and 3 for uniform infractions).

### **7th and 8th Grade Ambassador Event - La Fiesta!**

Ay-yi-yi! Arriba, arriba! 7th and 8th grade students get ready for La Fiesta next Wednesday, February 14. During this event, students will learn the importance of their GPA, respecting other cultures, ways to befriend others, and so much more! There will also be tasty foods, such as chips and salsa and a delicious soup. Mark your calendars, clear your schedules, and get ready to have a blast! Any parents who want to volunteer at this event, please contact Mrs. Hailey Stevens at [hstevens@apamail.org](mailto:hstevens@apamail.org).



### **Parent University @ WV1 – February 28<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 PM**

Join us on Wednesday, February 28<sup>th</sup> at WV1 for Parent University from 6:00-7:00 pm. This event is presented by GEAR UP. This parents-only event will feature professionals from Paradigm Shift; they are experts in the field on a national level. We are keeping our Latino families in mind. Speakers will discuss scholarships, financial aid, the college application process, and more. This event will be in **both** Spanish and English, it is accessible for any West Valley parent. Parent University events count toward your parent volunteer hours; secondary parents will also earn **two tardy removals** for each of their students! This might help them avoid Saturday School. If you have any questions, please email Rob Guido ([rguido@apamail.org](mailto:rguido@apamail.org)). See you there!

### **9th Grade Winter Dance**

Last week our 9th grade students had their Winter Dance! It was a wonderful evening full of dancing, fun and games. The students had the opportunity to take pictures, meet students from other schools and practice their skills in a receiving line! They also participated in the APA debut of hot chocolate cha-cha!

**SheTech Explorer Day** - SheTech Explorer Day is a conference for high school girls in 9th through 12th grade. This day-long event will include hands-on workshops in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM). Our ultimate goal is to expose girls to technology in a fun atmosphere, as well as meet STEM role models to learn more about opportunities in those fields. It will be held on March 1, 2018 at the Mountain America Expo Center in Sandy. Transportation from WV2 and lunch will be provided. Contact Mrs. Dye or Ms. Motz for questions. Permission slips need to be turned in by February 16.

### **Basketball Schedule – Games Begin in January**

Girls & Boys Basketball Practices – Tuesdays, Thursday & Fridays, after school. (Check student's schedules for times.)  
Games start January 10<sup>th</sup> – Mondays & Wednesdays – Girls 5:00 pm, Boys: 6:00 pm

2/12 – Away vs. AISU – 4998 Galleria Drive, Murray

2/14 – Away vs. AISU

2/21 – Home vs. Early Light

## **AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS (Sistema & Collegium Hall)**

### **Collegium Hall**

Collegium Hall is back in full swing, working on homework and missing work. 7th and 8th grades are working towards completing 5000 assignments per grade, while 9th grade reaches for 3000 assignments. If they meet their goal, they'll earn a pizza party! The first grade to meet their goal will get an additional prize!

Here's where each grades currently stands:

7th grade: 2592 completed assignments

8th grade: 2602 completed assignments

9th grade: 1221 completed assignments

## **CLUBS**

### **Monday**

Latin Club (grades 7-9) in room 148 with Mrs. Adamson from 3:35 to 3:55 pm

Newsies Club (grades 7-9) in room 141 with Ms. Kelly from 4:05 to 5:00 pm

Knights of the Game Table Club (grades 4-6) in room 125 with Mr. Nath from 4:00 to 5:30 pm

Knitting Club (grades 4-6) in room 104 with Ms. Cain from 4:00 to 5:00 pm

3D Printing Club (grades 6-9) in room 138 with Mr. Langford from 3:30 to 5:00 pm

### **Tuesday**

Improv Club (grades 7-9) in room 126 with Ms. Denison and Ms. Spencer from 4:00 to 5:00 pm

Anime Club (grades 7-9) in room 144 with Ms. Carson from 3:30 to 5:00 pm

Knitting Club (grades 4-6) in room 104 with Ms. Cain from 4:00 to 5:00 pm



**Wednesday**

Art Club (grades 6-7) in room 125 with Ms. Cahoon from 2:30 to 4:00 pm  
Adulting Club (grades 7-9) in room 148 with Ms. Adamson from 3:00 to 3:30 pm

**Thursday**

Latin Club (grades 7-9) in room 150 with Mrs. Adamson from 2:35 to 2:55 pm

**Friday**

Math Club (grades 7-9) in room 142 with Mrs. Woodcox and Ms. Carson from 4:15 to 6:30 pm

**Sistema 🎵🎵🎵 MAKE A NOTE!**

**Sistema Calendar**

- Feb. 13: Sistema Showcase – 6:00-6:30 Come see what the Sistema Students have been working on.
- Feb. 14: No Sistema – School out at 12:15 pm
- Feb. 16: Bach Buck Store
- Feb. 19-23: No Sistema – Midwinter Break

Other Dates to Mark on your calendar:

- March. 1 - 2: No Sistema (Parent Teacher Conferences)
- March. 12: No Sistema (Professional Development)
- March. 21: No Sistema (Staff Appreciation Dinner)
- March. 28: No Sistema (12:15 Dismissal Grading Day)

**Sistema Early Check-Out:** If you need to check your Sistema student out of Sistema early, we encourage you to do this between classes. We are unable to check students out during the first 30 min of Sistema. You can pick up a copy of the Sistema time schedule from the Sistema desk.