# American Prep WV1 Campus Newsletter Sept 06, 2019

Electronic calendar can be accessed on the website @ http://westvalley1.americanprep.org/

School hours: Monday, Tuesday & Friday: 8:15-3:25/3:50 pm Wednesday & Thursday: 8:15-2:25/2:50 pm

Phones will be answered from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. on school days – except during 1st dismissal carpool.

CALENDAR:	
Tues, Sept 10	DIBELS Reading Assessment Day *
Thurs, Sept 12	Weekly Show-What-You-Know Assembly 8:15-8:45 am
Friday, Sept 13	Midterm Late Work Deadline
Thurs, Sept 19	Weekly Show-What-You-Know Assembly 8:15-8:45 am
Thurs, Sept 26	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Ambassador "Friendship" Event * 12-:45-3:45 pm
Friday, Sept 27	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Field Trips *
Thurs, Oct 3	Weekly Show-What-You-Know Assembly 8:15-8:45 am
Friday, Oct 4	APA Spirit Wear Day
Friday, Oct 4	End of Term Late Work Deadline
Wed, Oct 9	Reading University Store *
Tues, Oct 8	4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> ,6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trips *
Thurs, Oct 10	Weekly Show-What-You-Know Assembly 8:15-8:45 am
Thurs, Oct 10	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Ambassador Event * 1:00-3:45 pm
Fri, Oct 11	End of Term 1
Oct 14 – Oct 18	Fall Break – NO SCHOOL
	*Volunteer Opportunities

## **Hello American Prep Families!**

## September's Builder Theme: "Build with Enthusiasm"

**"Enthusiasm"** has a fascinating etymology and an equally fascinating history. It comes from the Greek enthousiasmos, which consists of the root words "theos" (god) and "en"(in). Thus, enthusiasm literally means "God within." To be enthusiastic is to be inspired or, more precisely, possessed by God. In ancient Greece, enthusiasm connoted a sort of divine madness." *J.S. Tanner* 

### **Expectations + Effort + Enthusiasm + Encouragement + Excellence = APA's Building Foundations**

As you can see, each of the foundation complement each other. Enthusiasm makes work enjoyable and provides encouragement for others to put forth increased effort. It is our own responsibility to bring **enthusiasm** to school and all daily activities, it will help you to be well prepared, love school and have a great learning day. **Enthusiasm** bring enjoy to our lives.

## 2019-2020 Enrollment—Seats Open—Spread the Word!

Do you have friends or family who have expressed interest in attending American Prep? We currently have available spaces for new students at our West Valley 1 Campus in 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Please have them call the school to participate in an enrollment information meeting and a school tour. 801-839-3613.



## **Academic Update:**

K-6 students have begun their reading and math groups. The beginning of each of the groups is a quick review from the previous year, and a reminder to the students of what they need to know before beginning harder concepts. This is a great way to get the students in the rhythm of school work without too much difficulty. If you feel that your student has been placed in the incorrect group please wait a few weeks for them to begin their new lessons, if you have concerns after that time please email your student's homeroom teacher with your questions. Data will be reviewed and if necessary, changes will be made as soon as possible. Thank you for your patience as we get all of the students where they need to be.

## 2019-20 School Land Trust Program

"The School LAND Trust program brings tens of millions of dollars annually to academic programs in public schools across Utah. The funds are generated from school trust lands... Each public school in Utah elects a school community council consisting of parents, teachers, and the principal. Charter Schools have Trust Lands Councils... Each council carefully reviews student assessments and progress to decide which academic areas they want to focus on. Plans are developed to improve student academic performance in the identified academic areas with the annual School LAND Trust funds. The plans are approved by the council, submitted on this website, and approved by the local school board or chartering entity." www.schoollandtrust.org. Our WV1 campus will receive \$73,591 from Land Trust this school year.

#### Your Land Trust Committee Members for the 2019-20 SY are:

Laura Orwin Antonia Oviedo

Gina Tua'one Jonathan Ricks - newly elected

Christina Rivera - newly elected Vanessa Gonzalez - newly elected

Laura Leavitt – Elementary Director MaryCarmen Gamez - Administrative Director

Our next WV 1 Land Trust Committee Member Meeting will be held at the school building on **September 20, 2019, at 10:00 AM.** Parents and the public are welcome to attend. Our 2<sup>n d</sup> Meeting will be **held March 20, 2020 at 10:00 AM**. Our final Land Trust Committee/Stakeholder meeting will be held over the summer, after State Testing results are received. See our website, https://westvalley1.americanprep.org/ for reports and other information.

## **Get Involved! Volunteer! Be Part of APA's Family School Organization**

Thank you to all those who signed up to volunteer at our Parent Orientation night. The signup sheets will be in the front lobby if you have not had a chance to see the many ways you can volunteer at the school. We are still looking for one more parent to serve as our FSO copresident. Qualifications? Enthusiastic, excited to help other parents get involved with the school, at least a year of APA parent experience under their belt, willing to commit to a 2-year adventure with FSO. If this sounds like you--or you have some questions about this opportunity-please contact Mrs. Leavitt lleavitt @apamail.org or Ms. Gamez <a href="mailto:mgamez@apamail.org">mgamez@apamail.org</a>.



### American Preparatory Education Foundation (APEF) News

APA's 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Boutique plans are underway! Priority registration is now open for APA parents who would like to be sign up to be vendors for the boutique. The application is attached to this newsletter. Priority registration is available through Thursday, September 12 and will open to the general public Friday, September 13. Please join our Facebook group at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/apaboutiquevendors/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/apaboutiquevendors/</a> if you are an interested vendor.

We have added space for APA students to have booths this year as well. If you have a student entrepreneur who is interested, please let me know. The cost for a student booth is \$10.

Do you have an old instrument lying around collecting dust? APA is looking for band and orchestra instrument donations. We have many students in need of instruments. If you would like to donate an instrument, please contact me at the email address or phone number above. This is a great way to help some of our APA students, and it's a tax write-off for you! <a href="majordge@americanprepfoundation.org">majordge@americanprepfoundation.org</a> | p: 801.661.1928

#### **Adult English Class**

We are excited to announce that English classes are beginning Soon! Bring your friends and come have fun learning English. The classes are free and are open to everyone who would like to improve their English skills. The days and times TBA

### Fruit & Veggies Program:

Our students were able to try Gala Apples & Color cauliflowers this week, encourage your children to be "food explorers" this year at APA by tasting the fruits and veggies that they may never have heard about before. Talk with your children about what they learned about the fruit and what it tasted like. We hope to make a difference in all our students' diets to impact their present and future health.

### **Part-time Lunch Job Opportunity**

We need help in the lunch room from 9am to 11am or 9:30am to 11:30am. Pay is \$10.00 per hour. Spanish speaking preferred. They will help with preparation of FFV program and delivering elementary lunches as well as putting away leftovers. https://www.americanprep.org/careers/

### This is a reminder to order meals for next month.

https://apalunch.h1.hotlunchonline.net/

We hope you and your students are enjoying our school lunch program! All orders must be placed 48 hours in advance - if you want your student to have lunch on Monday, please order by this Saturday. If you need help ordering lunch, our school lunch workers are available each morning and then from 12 pm to 1 pm every day. You can also email <a href="mailto:lunch@apamail.org">lunch@apamail.org</a> for assistance.



#### **Professional Qualifications:**

Our parent surveys consistently express confidence and overwhelming satisfaction with our teachers at American Prep. Parents are welcome at any time to request information regarding the professional qualifications of the student's classroom teachers including: 1) whether the teacher has met State qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction or whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived; 2) the baccalaureate degree major of the teacher and any other graduate certification or degree held by the teacher, and the field of discipline of the certification or degree; and 3) whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.

### **District Parent and Family Engagement Policy**

At the conclusion of each school year, end-of-year assessment data is reported and organized into a Comprehensive Needs Assessment (CNA). The CNA includes demographic, attendance, and assessment data. Also included in the CNA are the results of the annual Parent Survey. This Survey evaluates, among other things, the satisfaction of parents with the quality of the academic program and their opportunities to participate in the schools.

American Preparatory administrators annually invite select staff and parents from each school to participate in a District/School Planning Meeting. This Committee reviews the Comprehensive Needs Assessment and analyzes areas for potential improvement. District/School Plans are developed with goals, action steps, and budget relationships. District and School Parent and Family Engagement Policies are evaluated for effectiveness. School, Parent, and Student Compacts are also examined by this Committee for recommended changes.

## **School Parent and Family Engagement Policy**

School Parent Involvement Policies are located within the Parent-Student Handbooks. These Handbooks are distributed annually to parents and are also accessible on the American Prep website <a href="https://www.americanprep.org/parent-student-handbooks/">https://www.americanprep.org/parent-student-handbooks/</a>. West Valley Handbooks are provided in both English and Spanish.

## <u>Sistema</u>

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Sistema Phone Number: 801-839-3613 Ex 0032 No Sistema on Friday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019

- Pick-up time on:
  - o 6:05 6:30 Monday, Tuesday, and Friday
  - 5:05 5:30 Wednesday and Thursday
- Please review our Vision Statement (link found on our WV1 Afterschool page.)