



American Prep-West Valley 1 Campus Newsletter September 11-18, 2020

CALENDAR	
Thurs, Sept 17* Tuesday, Sept 22 Thursday, Oct 1 Friday, Oct 2	*Constitution Day Celebration 11:00 am on KSL Live Governing Board Meeting 7 pm @ APS Offices (Google link available) 5 th Grade Ambassador FRIENDSHIP Event 12:45-3:15pm *12:15 Dismissal Day for All Students/No Sistema (12:15-12:40 pickup) APA-WV1 Land Trust Meeting 10 am (via Zoom) Term 1 Work Deadline
October 5-9 Tuesday, Oct 6* Thursday, Oct 8	*12:15 Dismissal Day for All Students/No Sistema (12:15-12:40 pickup) 6 th Grade Ambassador TAKE FLIGHT Event 12:45-3:15pm *Off-Campus Curriculum Pickup 9-12 and 4-6pm
Friday, Oct 9	End of Term 1 *Off-Campus Curriculum Pickup 9-12
October 12-16 Monday, Oct 26*	NO SCHOOL-Fall Break *School Picture Day
	*New additions to this calendar list
	Electronic calendar can be accessed on the website @ http://westvalley1.americanprep.org/ Facebook page: https://facebook.com/americanprepWV/

Hello APA-WV1 Families!

September Builder Theme: "I'm a Builder when I Build with Enthusiasm"

It is with ENTHUSIASM that we invite you to be part of our **FIRST ANNUAL Reading of the Constitution** this Thursday, September 17th. About 50 students and staff will be joining together at 11:00 am to do a live reading of the Constitution. The events (one held at each campus that day) will be broadcast on KSL Live. On Thursday, our "event" will be listed and you can click the link to view it.



live.ksl.com

It is with ENTHUSIASM that we invite you to be part of the **2020 Parent "Builder Poem" Challenge**—details on the last page of the newsletter!

It is with ENTHUSIASM that we invite you to give enthusiasm a try! ENTHUSIASM is contagious! It has the power to turn 'mundane' to 'magical'. With enthusiasm, hard tasks feel like challenges that can be tackled and met! Enthusiasm can transform work into fun. Let's spread ENTHUSIASM everywhere we go!



Skyward Wellness Checks—Every Day—Moving to Skyward!

Students must have a Wellness Check done before coming to school. The paper copy on the learning plan can be used as a backup, but our goal now is to have the Wellness Screening done on Skyward by ALL of our families. At 7:50, a report is emailed directly to the teachers, so please do the online or mobile app check done before 7:50.

For parents who are not using this quick and easy tool yet:

1. **Get your Skyward account fully set up online.** Click the link below or use your camera phone to scan the code and get to the APA Skyward sign in page. Enter your user name and password.
(Your user name is almost always your first initial and last name. Example: Laura Leavitt = lleavitt) If this is your first time getting on (or have forgotten your password) you will need to have your password reset. Please call or email Ms. Gamez (Spanish/English) or Mrs. Leavitt (English) (mgamez@apamail.org / lleavitt@apamail.org) and we can confirm your username and reset your password.

2. **Download the free Skyward Mobile App** from the App Store.



In the App Store, search for “Skyward Mobile Access”
Choose Skyward Mobile...Education and click “get”
Open the app and enter your username and password.
The Wellness Screening will be the first thing that pops up.

Skyward: <https://skyward.iscorp.com/scripts/wsisa.dll/WService=wseduamerprepacaut/fwemnu01.w>

See what the Wellness Screening looks like in these short videos.

[Wellness Screening \(Web Browser\)](#)

[Wellness Screening \(Mobile App\)](#)

Uniform Reminder

Now that we are past Labor Day, no more shorts! We are back to regular uniform wear. Monday-Thursday is the formal uniform. On Fridays, students have the option of wearing their formal uniform or Friday uniform (khakis & navy polo.)

A few things to note:

- 4-6 graders wear a white collared *shirt or blouse* with their Monday-Thursday uniform. White polo shirts are only worn with the K-3 uniform.
- Navy sweaters can be worn in class; other sweaters and jackets will be hung up until recess time.
- Name tags are part of the daily uniform. It is \$5 for a replacement tag, \$1 for a replacement magnet if a student misplaces theirs.
- Shoes can be almost any style, but must be solid black.



ALMA: The K-6 Grading Program

Parents have access to their student's grades 24/7 with the online ALMA grading program. All parents should have received an email from ALMA with directions for logging on. *If you did not receive this email or need help getting set up, please call or email Mrs. Melanie Ferlo in the Academic Office. mferlo@apamail.org.*

Volunteering



Looking for creative ideas for 20-21 volunteering? Here are ideas shared by parents from last month. If you have some ideas to add, click on the link or scan the code with your phone to share. <https://forms.gle/8X6z3stZYacAchT5A>

Volunteer Ideas Submitted

- Be part of the carpool team—taking down numbers before carpool starts (contact Mrs. Leavitt if you would like to help with this! lleavitt@apamail.org)
- If teachers need help prepping/assembling packets for a future date, parents could pick up supplies, assemble at home, then return the next day.
- Help provide needed items for the classroom.
- Donate (non-food) prizes for the teachers' treasure boxes. (These could be added to the pickups for students in the Off-Campus program too!)
- Help keep the outside of the school beautiful! Weeding (while you wait or weekends!) Sweeping out entry ways or along the curb.
- Grading
- Prepping crafts/art projects
- Virtual meeting to help teach the class something
- Come in after school hours to clean & disinfect classrooms (Admin approval needed)
- Help your students learn the Builders Poem. Parents can help their student make a small poster with the Builder's Poem or a banner with the school name to put over their bed or in a favorite spot at home to help them practice.
- Volunteer to run our Box Tops program (Contact Mrs. Leavitt)
- Become part of our FSO (Family-School Organization) Leadership Team. (Contact Mrs. Leavitt lleavitt@apamail.org if you are interested and/or willing! ☺)

We need:

- FSO President or two Co-Presidents
- FSO Secretary
- Parent Volunteer Lead for each Homeroom Class
- LEARN THE BUILDER'S POEM! See the Builder's Poem challenge on the last page. The first parent video is in—thank you Mrs. DeLaMare!

KEEP THOSE IDEAS COMING!



PARENT BUILDER POEM CHALLENGE!

All of our students learn the “Builders” poem during the school year and we encourage every parent to memorize it too! Let’s have some fun this year and surprise the students when they return from fall break with a special video of their parents reciting the “Builders” poem from memory! Here’s what to do:

- Practice and memorize the poem during September
- When you’re ready, use your phone and take a video of yourself reciting it.
- Share your video with Mrs. Leavitt (lleavitt@apamail.org)
- Send your video before the end of 1st Term—Friday, October 9
- Over the break, we’ll compile it and get a video ready for the students!
- Bonus! (Just in case you need more than just fun and satisfaction to motivate you!) Also earn 3 hours of volunteer time for your family by doing it!

Builders

I saw them tearing a building down,
A gang of men in a busy town.

With a yo heave ho and a lusty yell,
They swung a beam and the sidewall fell.

I asked the foreman if these men were as skilled
As those he would hire if he were to build.

He laughed and said, “Oh, no indeed,
Common labor is all I need,

For they can wreck in a day or two,
What builders have taken years to do.”

So I asked myself, as I went my way,
Which of these roles am I to play?

Am I the builder, who works with care,
Measuring life by the rule and square;

Or am I the wrecker who walks the town,
Content in the role of tearing down?

*I’ve made my decision; I’ll start today,
I’ll be a builder in every way.*

-Anonymous and Howard Headlee