

American Prep-West Valley 1 Campus Newsletter 4-23-21

CALENDAR	
April 19-end of year	RISE & SAT & Core Knowledge Testing
April 26-April 30*	APA Super Hero Virtual Fun Run registration*
Friday, April 30	APA Art Show @ WV2 campus 5-8 pm *
Saturday, May 1	APA Art Show @ WV2 campus 10-12 noon *
Monday, May 3	"Parent Survey" Casual Dress Day for Students
Tuesday, May 4	4-6 Field Trips
Tuesday, May 11	1-3 Field Trips
Friday, May 14	Kindergarten Field Trip
May 14-16	Super Hero Virtual Fun Run (done as families)
May 25-27	End of Year Show-What-You-Know Programs (schedule below)
Thursday, May 27	Last Day of Kindergarten Attendance
Wednesday, June 2	Field Day / 12:15 Dismissal
Thursday, June 3	Last Day of School / 12:15 Dismissal
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	Electronic calendar can be accessed on the website @ http://westvalley1.americanprep.org/Facebook page: https://facebook.com/americanprepWV/

April Builder Theme:

I am a Builder when I Face Obstacles with Determination and Positivity

You may have heard of the incredible Bethany Hamilton. At age 13 she was a highly successful amateur surfer when she was attacked by a 14 foot Tiger shark, resulting in the complete loss of her left arm. Incredibly, she was able to face this devastating loss with determination and immense hard work, returning to the sport she loved. Not only did she surf again, but she did so at the highest level, even beating the #1 ranked surfer in the world in one round of competition (and coming in third place overall). Her positive attitude has inspired countless people as she continues to surf, serve others, and enjoy her young family. She is a great



example of someone who has truly faced obstacles with determination and positivity!

"I know life can be hard, but I've learned that even the biggest challenges and scariest fears can be overcome, no matter what you're facing." --Bethany Hamilton Watch her in our monthly "chew time" video: https://youtu.be/xlBm5yoRLwI

Annual APA District Art Show this Friday & Saturday

The American Preparatory Academy Art Department is so excited to host this year's Annual District Art Show! The art show will be held on Friday, April 30th from 5-8 pm and on Saturday May 1st from 10am-12pm. The art show will be held at the WV2 campus located at

3636 W 3100 S in West Valley, in the High School Cafeteria. Teachers from each campus have selected their best artwork in each grade. This is a juried competition with awards and prizes.

Annual APA Parent Survey—WOW and THANK YOU!

Thank you for your overwhelming (record-breaking!) participation in the annual parent survey. The information and feedback that you provided will be so valuable to us as we review the year and make our school improvement plans for the upcoming school year. Monday, May 3 is our "Casual Dress Day" for all the students whose parents completed the survey! Please see the note that will be coming home with your student before the end of the week!

GREAT NEWS! Your student has a Casual Dress Day on Monday, May 3, 2021 because you filled out the Parent Survey! What does this mean? Your student does not need to wear their uniform on the above date, but can come in a more casual outfit!

A few guidelines:

- 1. This is a "Casual Dress Day"...not a "free dress day."
- 2 Shirts must have sleeves (no tanks)
- 3. Shorts and skirts must touch or reach below the knee
- 4. No negative messaging including obscenity or profanity
- 5. No slippers or open-toed shoes
- 6. No pajamas or work out type clothing
- 7. Shirts and Pants should not have rips or holes

This will be a fun change of pace for the students--please do not feel like you need to go out and purchase new outfits for your students to wear on days like these.

3rd Annual APA "Super Hero Fun Run" - Virtual Event May 14-16, 2021

MARK YOUR CALENDARS and REGISTER THIS WEEK! Please help our APA District raise money for the APEF Hardship Fund (APEF = American Preparatory Education Foundation) The Hardship Fund helps financially aid APA Families and Faculty who are in GREAT need, such as: food insecurity, loss of employment or income, lack of access to medical care and limited access to technology. Here are some ways that you can help!

OPTION #1: FUN RUN REGISTRATION:

1 Mile OR 5K Registration: \$10 Race Fee = Donation to Fundraiser, Super Soft T-Shirt, Name on Hero Wall, Name Announced and Eligible to win a Cool Race Medal that will be awarded in front of whole school!

www.americanprepfoundation.org/2021funrun



OPTION #2: FUN RUN REGISTRATION + FUN RUN PLEDGES

Register for more than \$10 registration fee by making a "FUN RUN PLEDGE" and EARN INCENTIVES!

Simply visit: www.americanprepfoundation.org/2021funrun and follow the prompted questions. Share with your friends and family and earn the incentives.

OPTION #3: SILENT ONLINE AUCTION:

Donate something for the auction or purchase one of the silent auction items! (Example: Hale Theater, Utah Jazz, Jet Blue and much more!)

*Registration, sponsorship opportunities and silent auction information can be found on our website at www.americanprepfoundation.org/2021funrun



Here's the link for the introductory video to the 2021 SUPER HERO FUN RUN!

https://youtu.be/IYuMrsQBFis

Parent/Guardian Climate Survey

NOT TO BE CONFUSED WITH THE SURVEY YOU JUST DID FOR APA!

The State of Utah requires that we conduct an annual "School Climate Survey". The purpose of the survey is for the state leaders to learn about the experience Utah parents are having at their schools. The survey is anonymous and parent identities will not be associated with their answers. The survey is NOT mandatory.

The survey includes 33 questions and can be finished in about 6 mins. This survey includes questions about your student's learning, school safety, and interpersonal relationships, as well as your attitudes about the institutional environment and your personal involvement in school. Your responses will be very helpful in improving student relationships, learning conditions, and the overall school environment.

You can take the survey online by using the following unique school link: https://americanprep.sjc1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV 2nLsWvA8q6tE52C

The survey window will be open from April 26 - May 7th. Please make sure to take the survey before the 7th of May, 2021.



Parent Advisory Committee Elections - WV1 Campus

We have 3 Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) positions opening up for the 2021-2022 school year. PAC participates with the administration 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. Parents of students who are employed 6 or more hours per week at the school are disqualified from participating as an elected parent.

The PAC generally meets 3-4 times per year. Members of the PAC will be expected to participate in all of these meetings so that a quorum may be present to conduct business. There are no term limits, so long as an elected parent has students enrolled in the school, is actively participating, and wishes to continue to do so.

If you are interested, please contact Rebecca Dailey, landtrust@apamail.org no later than Wednesday, May 12, 2021 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.

We are holding elections at more than one campus, so it will be very important that you note in your email which campus's PAC you are running. The ballot link will go home as the last page of the May 14 newsletter. Each family may vote for 3 candidates, as we have 3 openings. Ballots must be submitted online before 4pm on May 19th. The candidate who receives the most votes will be posted in the May 21st newsletter.

Shorts--Uniform Policy Addition for 5th Term (Week 2 of 3)

During 5th term, students are now allowed to add khaki uniform style shorts to their uniform choices. They may continue to wear their regular uniform every day, of course! But shorts are now an option.

Please read this carefully so you are choosing the right shorts and your student is wearing the rest of their uniform pieces correctly.









- Shorts must be khaki uniform shorts with no outside patch pockets. They should come
 to just above your student's knee when they are standing. They must be the same color
 khaki as APA uniform pants.
- K-3 Girls and Boys: If wearing shorts, girls and boys can wear a navy polo or a white polo with a blue sweater.
- 4-6 Girls and Boys: **When wearing shorts, Monday-Thursday**, 4-6 girls and boys will wear their regular white shirt, blue vest and tie or cross tie.
- 4-6 Girls and Boys: **When wearing shorts on Friday**, 4-6 girls and boys can wear a navy polo.
- Shoes remain ALL BLACK. Socks must be worn, but can be short socks in the same solid colors of the dress code.

We have asked teachers to tighten up their checking of uniforms as there are students who are wearing incorrect uniform pieces or shoes that are not all black. Here is a link to the Uniform Guide on the website.

https://www.americanprep.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/Draper-1-Draper-2-West-Valley-1-.pdf



Shorts are NOT listed on here as they are a brand-new addition, but you may use this if you need to review the uniform policy.

Re-Enrollment—Are You Coming Back? (Week 2 of 2)

Our Re-Enrollment period is over and we are excited to have so many of our great families returning. We have not heard from all of you. If you are not returning, please e-mail Ms. Gamez (mgamez@apamail.org) so that we may open your seat for an incoming student. If you are planning on returning, but have not completed your re-enrollment on Skyward, please do that now. The app on your phone does not work for this. You will need to go to your account through the webpage.

https://skyward.iscorp.com/scripts/wsisa.dll/WService=wseduamerprepacaut/seplog01.w



End of Year Show-What-You-Know Programs (Week 2 of 5)

Put these dates in your calendar for these special grade level programs! These fun events will highlight what your students have learned during this grade's year.

Tuesday, May 25: Wednesday, May 26 Thursday, May 27

5:30 - 1st Grade 5:30 - 2nd Grade 9:00 am - Kindergarten

6:30 - 4th Grade 6:30 - 5th Grade 5:30 - 3rd Grade

6:30 - 6th Grade

Need ALMA Grading Program Help?

Are you checking your student's grades weekly? Please call or email Mrs. Melanie Ferlo (mferlo@apamail.org) or Ms. Brenna Wiscombe (bwiscombe@apamail.org) in the Academic Office if you need help with the ALMA grading program.

Hours You Might Not Have Reported Yet (Week 2/2)

Parents—if you haven't reported volunteer hours for these things yet—please do! They can be reported on the google form listed below.

- Parent Empowerment Meeting: Suicide Prevention on Feb 23 & 24- 2 hours
- Parent Empowerment Meeting: Human Trafficking on March 30 2 hours
- Parent Empowerment Meeting: Substance Abuse & Addiction on April 20 2 hours
- Staff Appreciation: Donations and supplies and volunteering time
- Testing snacks for the classroom

Reporting Your Volunteer Hours



Please use this google form link or scan the QR code to report your volunteer hours and donations: https://forms.gle/BM4czREG5qKbiPicA



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