



American Prep-West Valley 1 Campus Newsletter

-- March 3, 2022 --

Website @ <https://westvalley1.americanprep.org/>

Upcoming Events

*Newly added to this newsletter calendar

Tuesdays/Thursdays	Free English Classes! Tues 2:25-3:25 / Thurs 1:25-2:25
Wednesdays	“SWYK” 4 th -6 th Assemblies @ 8:15 (parents always invited)
Thursdays	“SWYK” K-3 rd Assemblies @ 8:15 (parents always invited)
Friday, Mar 4,11,18, 25	March “Friday Clubs”
Friday, Mar 4	Spirit Wear Friday!
Tuesday, March 8	Parent Empowerment Zoom Workshop: Human Trafficking 7pm
Thursday, Mar 10	6 th Grade Ambassador Event “Galaxy Quest” 12:25-2:50
March 10 & 11	MANDATORY PARENT MEETINGS (Choose one to attend)
Thursday, Mar 10	<i>(1 of 3) Celebration of Excellence ReEnrollment Meeting 5-6pm</i>
Friday, Mar 11	<i>(2 of 3) Celebration of Excellence ReEnrollment Meeting 7:30am</i>
Friday, Mar 11	<i>(3 of 3) Celebration of Excellence ReEnrollment Meeting 5-6pm</i>
Friday, Mar 11	Midterm Work Deadline
March 14-18	Staff Appreciation Week ☺
Tuesday, March 22	Early Dismissal Day 12:15/12:30-Staff Professional Development
Thursday, March 24	4 th Grade Ambassador Event 12:30
Friday, March 25	Term 4 Work Deadline
Tuesday, March 29	5 th & 6 th Grade Spring Music Concert
Thursday, March 31	Reading University “RU Store”
Thursday, March 31	Spirit Wear “Thursday”
Friday, April 1	“Builder of the Year” Assembly – regular uniforms today, please
Friday, April 1	End of Term 4 / Report cards come home
April 4-8	No School – Spring Break
Thursday, April 14	Parent/Teacher Conferences 3-7pm
Friday, April 15	Parent/Teacher Conferences – No school for students
Saturday, May 7*	APA’s 4 th Annual “Super Hero” Fun Run / 10-12 in Daybreak



March Builder Theme: I am a Builder When I am Willing to Try and When I Believe in my Ability to Succeed

This month's Builder theme is a powerful one. Learning is hard work. Doing something for the very first time can feel so BIG. I think of our kindergarteners—learning to recognize and carefully trace their ABCs during the first weeks of school. Counting and solving their very first math problems: $2 + 1 = 3!$ I think of our 4th graders—memorizing a **FOUR PAGE** poem with **130** lines! Who does that?! (Our 4th graders! That's who!) I think of our 6th grade students solving math problems of this high level of complexity: *Pedro raced 96 kilometers from Perry to Medford and then idled back. If the round trip took 8 hours, what was Pedro's average speed in kilometers per hour?*

If we showed that crazy long poem or that difficult word problem to a five-year-old scholar—could they imagine that they would be able to do those same hard things in just a few, short years. When we believe in our ability to succeed and when we are willing to try—the answer is YES!

Next Week - Mandatory "Celebration of Excellence" ReEnrollment Meetings

We have only a few mandatory parent meetings during the year—and this is one of them! If you are returning to American Prep for the 2022-2023 school year, you are required to attend one of the Celebration of Excellence Meetings to complete your student's re-enrollment. We love this opportunity to be with our parents and to share highlights of the year and key info about our school and campus. To accommodate your busy schedules, we have three date/time options to choose from. Please be sure to get the date best for you on your calendar.

- (1 of 3) Thursday, March 10 @ 5-6 pm in the multipurpose room
- (2 of 3) Friday, March 11 @ 7:30-8:30am in the multipurpose room
- (3 of 3) Friday, March 11 @ 5-6 pm in the multipurpose room

If you are not returning to any American Prep campus next year, please inform the office. You will not be required to attend.

Need ALMA Grading Program Help?

You have access to your student's grades 24/7. Are you checking them 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.



5th & 6th Grade Ambassador Events—Galaxy Quest!

This month's 5th grade and 6th grade Ambassador events have focused on healthy choices for our body, our friendships and our mind. We will be learning the importance of keeping our bodies strong, making healthy food choices, choosing to be smart and being friendly to others. These events teach our students valuable information to be healthy and successful. Thank you so much to the parents who volunteered at the 5th grade event this week. We welcome any parents who would like to join us for the 6th grade event on Thursday, March 10, 12:25-2:40pm. Sign up on the volunteer form at the end of the newsletter or email Jamie Jackson, jjackson@apamail.org.

Current Volunteer Opportunities Link (Every Week!)

To sign up to volunteer for your classroom—please contact the homeroom teacher.

To sign up for other school events—please use this link & form or email the contact person listed directly.

Current Volunteer Needs:

March 10: 6th Grade Ambassador Event “Galaxy Quest” 12:25-2:50



[Current Volunteer Opportunities](https://forms.gle/xkcUyTBF6jK6BpTc7\) <https://forms.gle/xkcUyTBF6jK6BpTc7\>

Reporting Your Volunteer Hours and Donations (Every Week!)



Please use this QR code or link to report your volunteer hours! This info will be included with each newsletter for handy access.

[Report hours & donations here:](https://forms.gle/263GFvy31yMaZg927)

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Newsletter Readers



One more week before these cute friends go home with one of our newsletter readers! Are you just joining the newsletter reader ranks? Use this link to put your name in the drawing!

[I'm a Newsletter Reader!](https://forms.gle/kqEpD9do7Skecqb8) <https://forms.gle/kqEpD9do7Skecqb8>





STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK—MARCH 14-18!





Thank you for your support!

Parents—Here is sneak peek of what is planned for Staff Appreciation Week (March 14-18) and ways you can help. Use the links on the next page to sign up. If you have other ideas, please share! Thank you for helping make this week special for our WV1 staff!

Date	Activity	Ways You Can Help
Fri & Sat, Mar 11 & 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decorating the doors to surprise the teachers on Monday morning! We've invited staff to share photos of them enjoying the great outdoors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sign up to decorate a door Sign up to print and hang up staff photos.
Monday, March 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Light Breakfast in the "Camper" (Staff Break Room) "Build Your Own" Trail Mix bags 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Food donations Help during/cleanup after breakfast time (Fun to do with a friend!)
Tuesday, March 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lunch for the staff--"West One World Food Court" <p>This was such a hit with the staff last year! Parents provided a delicious sampling of food from around the world.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sign up to bring a favorite ethnic dish. Food should be dropped off by 10:35 Help with setup/cleanup.
Wednesday, March 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> "Mountain Man" Dutch Oven Breakfast Combined Day & Afterschool Staff Activity / Food provided by the Nuñez family / S'mores 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bake frozen biscuits and deliver to the school. No Sistema on this day. Don't forget to pick up your students at 2:25/2:50! 😊
Thursday, March 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grilled Hotdog Lunch 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Help during/cleanup after lunch time (Fun to do with a friend!)
Friday, March 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Park Ranger Pancake Breakfast End of Day—Dutch Oven Desserts & Raffle 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Help during/cleanup after (Fun to do with a friend!) Sign up to make a Dutch Oven dessert (if you are an enthusiast) Donate items or gift cards that we can give away in our raffle. (Sometimes businesses you know will donate too.)
ALL WEEK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> "Shout Out Station" Each staff member will have a clip on a board where notes and accolades can be left for them each day Daily "Mailbox Treats"—thoughtful gifts/notes that go with the theme "Camp Store" Cart. In the afternoon, a cart will deliver soda & snacks to the teachers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Help your student write notes to their teachers Sign up for your homeroom—to gather notes from students and send reminders to parents if needed Signup to help put together mailbox treats. Donation of soda cans & individual packaged snacks, fruit



Please use the links below to sign up for the things you'd most like to help with! If needed, you can also email Ms. Gamez, mgamez@apamail.org or Mrs. Leavitt lleavitt@apamail.org

<p align="center"><u>BRINGING IN PREPARED FOOD</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bringing a dish for Tuesday's "World Food Court" Lunch • Bake frozen biscuits & deliver to school for Wed. breakfast • Making a Dutch Oven Dessert 	<p>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0445ACA92DA0F49-vv1staff1</p>	
<p align="center"><u>DECORATING DOORS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decorating a Classroom or Office Door 	<p>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0445ACA92DA0F49-staff10</p>	
<p align="center"><u>FOOD ITEM DONATIONS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breakfast items • Trail Mix items • S'More items • "Camp Store Cart" items • Bags of Ice 	<p>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0445ACA92DA0F49-vvstaff</p>	
<p align="center"><u>I HAVE "TIME" I CAN DONATE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help setup/cleanup during meals • Help gather notes from students in your homeroom • Help put notes on the "Shout Out" clips each day • Help with the Camp Store Cart each day • Help with mailbox treats • Hang Staff photos 	<p>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0445ACA92DA0F49-vv1staff2</p>	
<p align="center"><u>OTHER DONATIONS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gift Items, camping/outdoor items, gift cards—anything that could be used for Friday's raffle • Cash donations—always helpful! 😊 <p align="center"><u>STRAW BALES & LOGS</u></p> <p>Borrowing 3-4 bales of straw and some log stumps for Wednesday's activity is on our WISH LIST. Do any of you have a connection for that? If you do, please email or text Mrs. Leavitt! lleavitt@apamail.org / 801-244-6624</p>	<p>Donated food Items can be brought to the main office any time next week. Please bring any donated raffle items or cash to the main office also. Cash donations need to be receipted, so please wait for that.</p> <p align="center">BE SURE YOU TAKE A MINUTE TO SUBMIT YOUR VOLUNTEER/DONATION HOURS! 😊</p>	