

American Prep-West Valley 1 Campus Newsletter

December 9, 2022

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

Upcoming Calendar Events

*Newly added to this newsletter calendar

Every Wednesday	4 th -6 th Weekly SWYK Assembly 8:15 (Parents always welcome!)
Every Thursday	K-3 rd Weekly SWYK Assembly 8:15 (Parents always welcome!)
December 1-16	2022 Annual Donation Drive – Canned foods
Tuesday, Dec 13	Sistema Winter Concert 6:00-6:45 pm
Tuesday, Dec 13	5 th & 6 th Grade Winter Music Concert 7:15-8 pm.
Wed, Dec 14*	Special Dress Day: Every Grade a Different Color* (See details below)
Thursday, Dec 15	RU Store for Term 2
Friday, Dec 16*	Spelling Bee study materials come home*
Tuesday, Dec 20	End of Term 2 / Report cards come home
Tuesday, Dec 20	12:15/12:35 Early Dismissal / No Sistema
Tuesday, Dec 20*	Special Dress Day: Favorite Sweater, Hoodie or Shirt* (See details below)
Dec 21-Jan 3	Winter Break – No School
Wednesday, Jan 4*	Term 3 Begins – School back in session*
Friday, Feb 10*	12:15 Early Dismissal-Grading Day* (This was not indicated on our original calendar)

December Builder Theme:

I Am a Builder When I Look for Ways to Serve Others ~ Kigatsuku



December's Builder theme brings us the wonderful concept of Kigatsuku—a Japanese word that means “An inner spirit to act without being told what to do.” Enjoy this month's video from our Character Development team introducing our Builder's theme. <https://vimeo.com/775883912/f3a1930ec4>

Special Dress Days—Just for Fun!

As we count down the final school days of 2022, we have two special dress days planned for both staff and students to participate in. These are optional—of course—but something the students might find fun. This Wednesday, Dec 14, each grade has chosen a color and can wear a shirt or accessory in that color.

Kindergarten – Red

1st Grade – Yellow

2nd Grade – Maroon/Burgundy

3rd Grade – not announced yet

4th Grade – Gold / Yellow

5th Grade – Any shade of blue

6th Grade – Dark Green

On Tuesday, Dec 20, students are welcome to wear a festive or favorite sweater, shirt or sweatshirt. On both days, if your family has contributed to the I CAN CARE food drive, your student(s) may also wear jeans. Again—this is optional fun!

2022 Annual Donation Drive



We CAN Care! Only one week left of our canned food donation drive. We are well over halfway to our campus goal of collecting 2022 food items. Check the board at the entrance to the parking lot for our daily updates. WOOT WOOT West Valley 1! It has been so exciting to see how much we can accomplish as we all work together. We can be advocates for those in our community that need us, and that is a very important part of being a Builder and an Ambassador for good. Let's finish strong--keep bringing in those food items! The drive will end on Friday December 16th! We will be celebrating meeting our campus goal with a "Crazy Sock and Tie Day" in January. Thank you to our 6th Grade Council who is collecting and counting and organizing the cans and packaged food items from the classrooms each day!

Snowy Weather – Where Do I Look for Late Start/Cancellation Info?

Last week we had our first rep of what to do when snowstorms hit! If you weren't sure where/when to find information on school closing or starting late, here it is:

1. Check the website- www.americanprep.org Any changes to schedules will be posted clearly there by 6:30 am. (APA will make decisions for each of their campuses. It may or may not be different than the decisions of the surrounding districts.)
2. Check your email. Additionally, an email will be sent. (It is sent to the parent/guardian email addresses you have provided in Skyward. Be sure those are up-to-date. Communication is not sent to emergency contacts. If they are your driver, you will need to share that information.

We try to remain open whenever it is possible, but if road conditions in your area are unsafe, it is ultimately your decision on whether you will keep your student at home or bring them to school.

Only the "Princess Parkers" of Morning Carpool Need to Read this Reminder

There are reasons why we ask you to stay in your car and pull forward on the curb as far as possible. Primarily, it is to make drop-off safe and efficient for everyone in our APA community. When cars pull all the way forward, we can have 20+ cars at the curb, dropping off their students at the same time. It is very fast and efficient. When you leave gaps and "princess park" to be closer to a door so your prince or princess doesn't have to walk so far, we might get less than half that number able to unload. That said...if consideration for your fellow parents really isn't persuasive enough for you, you may want to consider some additional benefits most parents are giving their children that you might not be!

1. The early morning opportunity to walk and move their bodies.
2. The chance to breathe the invigorating morning air and get additional oxygen to their brains—prepared and energized for maximum performance in class.

Remember, we're all in this together! Stay in one lane to the right, pull forward to close the gaps and stay in your car! Everyone will say thank you!

2023-2024 Priority Enrollment

Hello APA Families, we are now accepting applications for NEW SIBLINGS (brothers & sisters only) and TRANSFERS. **Lotteries for next school year will begin in January 2023.**

- **NEW SIBLINGS:** Must be 5yrs old by September 1st, 2023 to qualify for enrollment- no exceptions to this rule. This application is for brothers or sisters of students currently attending one of American Prep Schools.

<http://www.americanprep.org/enrollment>

Code: **sibling2023**

- **TRANSFERRING** to a different American Prep Campus, Request will be processed in the order that they are received, sibling priority taken into consideration. Open seats are limited, so please be sure to get on the transfer wait list before new student's lotteries begin in January 2023. **Even if you have requested a transfer before, you NEED to fill it out again.** Students may transfer between American Prep campuses on a case-by-case priority basis, depending on availability at the receiving campus.

<http://www.americanprep.org/enrollment>

Code: **transfer2023**

- **WV1 Campus students ENTERING into 7th GRADE for the 2023-2024 School year:** 6th graders will have a seat reserved at West Valley 2 Campus; **however**, students will need to meet the requirements of the APA promotion policy and attend WV2 Mandatory Enrollment meeting. You do not need to request a transfer, unless you are requesting a transfer to the Draper 3 Campus.
- **RE-Enrollment for Current APA-WV1 Students:** The Re-enrollment code for next year will be given to you at the **Mandatory "Celebration of Excellence"** enrollment meeting held in the spring of 2023. There is nothing you need to do at this time.
- **New Families:** Lotteries will begin in January 2023, americanprep.org/enrollment

We are looking forward to a great 2023-2024 School year!

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Lost & Found Collection—Growing, growing, growing!

Just a reminder that unclaimed items in Lost & Found are donated at the end of each period. Please take a few minutes to go into the main lobby and look in the lost and found rack if you suspect your student is missing something.

Community Corner: Parenting Tips - Articles and Advice for Parents

“Love and Logic” is a tremendous resource for parents—and educators. On their website, you can access a wealth of **free parenting articles, tips and advice** for handling children of all ages. Whether your child is a newborn or teenager, you’ll find information and handouts for dealing with a range of situations, including potty training, toddler aggression, homework assignments, internet safety, accountability, appropriate consequences and more! Browse their library to learn more:



<https://www.loveandlogic.com/pages/articles-and-advice-for-parents>

Sending Lunch from Home? Don't Forget to Send Utensils.

Quick reminder from the lunch staff to send any needed forks or spoons with your lunches from home. They receive enough utensils for the school lunches, but don't have extras to provide them for students with home lunches.

Report your volunteer hours and donations (Every week)

Thank you for your volunteer hours and donations! This link to report your hours will be included with each newsletter for easy access. If you have hours to submit, please get them updated! Report hours and donations here: **<https://forms.gle/o3cxYrpbHmoxWYFXA>**

