



AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

Sep. 10th, 2021

DRAPER 3



UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, September 11th	Cheerleading Clinics (8:30am-12:30pm)
Saturday, September 11th	11th Grade Buddy Walk (9:15am-1:45pm)
Tuesday, September 14th	Virtual Parent Empowerment Meeting (7-8pm)
Wednesday, September 15th	Picture Make Up Day
Wednesday, September 15th	12th Grade United Way Day of Caring (12:30-1:50pm)
Friday, September 17th	Constitution Day Event (8-9am)
Saturday, September 18th	Shakespeare Showcase (5-9:30pm)
Wednesday, September 22nd	10th Grade In It To Win It (12:30-1:50pm)
Thursday, September 23rd	Dance Company Auditions (2:15-3:45pm)
Thursday, September 23rd	New Parent Orientation (7-8pm)
Friday, September 24th	EARLY DISMISSAL - Parent Teacher Conferences
Friday, September 24th	Parent Teacher Conferences [By Invitation] (1-4pm)

Upcoming Parent Teacher Conferences

Our upcoming Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on Friday, September 24th. This will be an early dismissal day. **These conferences are by invitation only.** Teachers will contact the individual parents that need to come in to discuss their child's academic progress. There will be additional Parent Teacher Conferences in the future that are open to all parents.



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Cheer Clinics

All 7th-12th grade students that are interested in competing on the Draper APA Coed Competitive Cheer Team should plan on attending the first day of cheerleading clinics on Saturday, September 11th, from 8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M., in the D2 Gym. (Please enter through the door on the northwest corner of the D2 building.) Come ready to workout, and be sure to wear athletic shoes. Students will also need to fill out [this Google form](#). If you tried accessing the form last week and it did not work, please try again now. Email Lindsey LaJeunesse, at llajeunesse@apamail.org, if you have any questions.

Draper 3 Dance Company

Would your student like to be on the Draper 3 Dance Company? We perform at school assemblies, basketball halftimes, Festival of Trees among many other performances around Utah. Auditions are Thursday, September 23rd from 3:30-5:00 pm in the D3 Multipurpose Room. 8th-12th grade only. Audition forms can be found in the Character Development office. Please have it filled out with a Parents signature when you come to auditions. Wear APA appropriate dance class attire and COME HAVE FUN WITH US!!! Contact Mrs. Mahoney for any questions. kmahoney@apamail.org.

MathCounts

All students who are interested in participating in MathCounts should apply by completing the [online application](#). [Click here to apply](#). There will be 2 MathCounts Information meetings on Friday, October 1:

- D3 students will meet at 3:00 PM
- D2 students will meet at 3:30 PM

Students in grades 6, 7, & 8 are eligible for spots on the MathCounts team. The annual MathCounts competition will take place in February. The Draper MathCounts Coach is Ms. Kathy Woodcox - kwoodcox@apamail.org.

Clubs Currently Offered

Below is a list of the after school clubs currently being offered at D3. This list does not include athletics or sanctioned activities, such as Debate or Drama. If you do not see the club that you are interested in, consider starting a new club. Talk to Mr. Durst (bdurst@apamail.org) for more information.

Chess Club

Chess Club provides a space for students to learn and/or improve chess skills in a fun, social atmosphere.

- How to Participate: Any interested D3 students are welcome to participate.
- Time Commitment: Meets every Thursday (2:00-3:00pm), in Room 124
- Fees: None
- Advisor: Jeremy Shimada (jshimada@apamail.org)

Dungeons and Dragons Club

Come play Dungeons and Dragon and be a part of this exciting club.

- How to Participate: Any interested D3 students are welcome to participate.
- Time Commitment: Meets every Wednesday (2:00-3:50pm) except the first week of each month, which will be on Thursday, in Room 120



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- Fees: None
- Advisor: Alicia Leitch (aleitch@apamail.org)

Game Designing Club

Join the D3 Game Designing Club to learn about coding and software development. Learn a new skill and have lots of fun in the process!

- How to Participate: Any interested D3 students are welcome to participate.
- Time Commitment: Meets every Wednesday (2-3pm), in Room 325
- Fees: None
- Advisor: Kainalu Barino (kbarino@apamail.org)

Physics Club

The goal of the Physics Club is to support students who are currently taking Physics Honors by providing opportunities for tutoring, group learning, and culminating activities.

- How to Participate: D3 High School (9th-12th grade) students are welcome to participate.
- Time Commitment: Meets every Monday (3-4pm) and Wednesday (2-3pm), in Room 231
- Fees: None
- Advisor: Jonah Kortsen (jkortsen@apamail.org)

Stage Crew Club

Stage Crew Club is perfect for any student who is interested in learning about and working in the behind-the-scenes world of theater. The club goal is to work together to design and create the technical elements of the current D3 Theater Productions. This will include designing and building sets, props, costumes, and special effects.

- How to Participate: 8th-12th grade D3 students are welcome to participate.
- Time Commitment: Meets every Wednesday (2:30-5:30pm), in the D3 Multipurpose Room, Room 301
- Fees: None
- Advisor: Michael Romney (mromney@apamail.org)

Videography Club

The Videography Club is intended for those students who want to learn/have camera experience or other camera crew jobs (e.g., editing, directing, acting, etc). This club will be working as a team to create informative and uplifting videos.

- How to Participate: D3 High School (9th-12th grade) students are welcome to participate.
- Time Commitment: Meets every Thursday (2-3pm), in Room 325
- Fees: None

Advisor: Kainalu Barino (kbarino@apamail.org)

Professional Qualifications

Our parent surveys consistently express confidence and overwhelming satisfaction with our teachers at American Prep. In accordance with state regulation, all APA teachers are licensed through one of three licensing paths: Professional, Associates and LEA specific. 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



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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 selected 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 Involvement 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 vary slightly by campus and are located within the Parent-Student Handbooks. These Handbooks are distributed annually to parents and will soon be accessible on the APA website under the Parent Library drop-down tab. The Handbooks can also be accessed via this link: <https://www.americanprep.org/parent-student-handbooks/>.

- Reminders (repeat information from previous newsletter) -

Yard Sale Choir Fundraiser

Support the APA Choir department by visiting their massive yard sale! Funds raised will benefit Benefit Bella Voce & Chorum Vita Students The yard sale will take place on Sep. 18th, 8am to 12pm, at 9677 Quindaro Rd (475 E).

12th Grade United Day of Caring

The United Day of Caring for our 12th graders is set for Wednesday, September 15th. This is a wonderful chance for seniors to unite and serve students. We will be doing a humanitarian project with Stitching



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Hearts. We will be making file folder games and threading toys. This will take place during 4th period (12:30 - 1:50). Students are expected to be in school uniform.

Boys Club Basketball

Draper APA HS Head Basketball Coach, Darius Beard, is holding tryouts for his club team, the Salt Lake Rebels. This club team is for boys from 3rd grade through 8th grade. If interested, [check out the flier here](#). Just show up, as there is no need to sign up ahead of time.

Basketball Scholarship Awarded

Draper APA Eagles want to congratulate Senior, Logan Baldwin, in being offered a basketball scholarship from Pacific University. Good luck Logan on deciding which college you want to attend to play basketball and continue being an amazing student athlete. GO EAGLES!!

Now Hiring Special Education Paraeducators

American Prep is looking to hire additional paraeducators to work with our Draper 3 Special Education Department. This would be a great position for some of our American Prep parents that would enjoy working one-on-one with some of our special education students. [The job posting can be viewed here](#). We would love to see some great applicants familiar with APA and ready to be builders in our special education department.

Community-Led Lone Peak Parkway Traffic Safety Committee

There is a group of businesses and concerned citizens that has formed in order to address the traffic on Lone Peak Parkway. If you are interested in participating, please read the following message from Annie Chase and the Lone Peak Parkway Traffic Safety Committee.

“Are you sick of the traffic on Lone Peak Parkway and ready to do something about it? We are a group of concerned residents, parents, and businesses that are coming together to create a change. If you are interested in helping with this committee, willing to attend Draper City council meetings, or just want to be informed on the progress being made, please [Click Here](#) to add your name and email to a google sheet. Or email Annie Chase: anniechase3@gmail.com (Your email will NOT be given to anyone or used for anything other than communicating about this committee.)”

11th Grade Buddy Walk

We are excited to have 20 volunteers from our 11th grade participate in the Mighty Steps for Down Syndrome on Saturday, September 11th from 9:15am-1:15pm. The Mighty Steps Walk was created by the National Down Syndrome Awareness Society in 1995 to celebrate Down Syndrome Awareness Month and to promote acceptance and inclusion of people with Down Syndrome. American Prep students will help run carnival games, serve concessions and cheer on the participants of the walk. 11th grade students can sign up for this event in the Ambassador office.