

September 1st, 2023

DRAPER 3



UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, September 4th

Wednesday, September 6th

Saturday, September 9th

Wednesday, September 13th

Friday, September 15th

Saturday, September 16th

NO SCHOOL- Labor Day

Builder's Assembly

Ballroom Team Kickoff Parent Meeting (8am-1pm)

10th Grade In It To Win It (12:30-1:50pm)

Fall Festival (5-8pm)

SGL Welcome Back Dance (6-8pm)

Yearbook Club

Students who are interested in joining the yearbook club are invited to come Friday, September 8th to room #325 at 3:00pm and learn more about it. Yearbook club takes pictures of all of the events, plans, designs and edits the yearbook. If you have any questions please email Clay Maxwell at Cmaxwell@apamail.org.

Advanced Chamber Club

Any student who likes a challenge and wants to play advanced music, is welcome to join the Advanced Chamber Club. Club Meetings will be Wednesdays from 2-3pm in room #314.

10th Grade - In It to Win It

Mark your calendars! On Wednesday, September 13th, our 10th-grade students have an exciting opportunity to connect and have a blast at our "In It to Win It" event. During this event, students will engage in lively games, compete for prizes, cheer each other on, and enjoy some snacks. The event will be held at our D3 campus during 4th period (12:32-1:50 pm) on a regular school day. Please note that students are required to attend in their regular full



uniform. This event is mandatory and will contribute to your child's 4th period Ambassador Hour grade. We can't wait to see our students thrive and have a great time at this event!

Event Review: 8th Grade W.O.R.K Party

Last week, our 8th Graders had some **Wonderful Opportunities to Render Kindness** at the **W.O.R.K.** Party Ambassador Event! Our students worked on several neighborhood beautification projects located throughout Draper, Murray, Herriman, and Taylorsville. They did all kinds of great outdoor work, including weeding, picking up trash, and painting. Our students did a great job following directions and working hard to make a difference! Students, thank you for all your hard work! In the Ambassador program we talk a lot about being good representatives, and you all did a wonderful job representing our school!

Many thanks to our awesome parent volunteers who supported this event: Raquel Meyers, Angie Murdock, Miryam Bytautas, Angela Farnsworth, Elizabeth Merrill, Kiri Reeves, and Stephanie Henderson. Thank you for all your efforts in making this event go smoothly, we couldn't have done it without your help!

- Reminders -

After School Clubs

If your student has a hobby or interest that they want to share, invite them to create an after school club. After school clubs are a great way to get to know other students and create friendships over shared interests. Creating after school extracurriculars also looks great on college applications. If your student would like to start a club. Please see Mrs. Rowley in rm #220.

A Reminder about D2 Students at D3

Just a reminder to parents that have both D2 and D3 students. D2 students are not allowed on D3 campus without parental supervision. This has always been a rule. This is to keep all students safe, and that they are with their appropriate cohort. D3 campus is a secondary campus, not an elementary school campus. Even if the D2 student has an older sibling that attends D3, they must stay at D2 until they are picked up.

Utah Eagles Wrestling Club

Wrestling will be available for students in grades Pre-k-12th grade. Practice location is Draper 3 campus. Team Practices are 5:30-6:30pm most Mondays and Thursdays. Be ready to practice in workout clothes and wrestling shoes. Cost is \$40 a month. Tournaments are on Most Saturdays. If interested, contact Levi Nielson at Levi.Nielson@apamail.org or Chandler Strand at cstrand@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 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 & Family Engagement Policy

American Prep recognizes that parent and family engagement is key to student achievement. We provide many opportunities for parents and family members to participate in, and stay informed of, their student's academic achievement. American Preparatory Academy trains staff annually during pre-service and teacher academy on how to communicate, build meaningful connections, and otherwise involve parents/families and the school. These topics are reinforced during professional development opportunities throughout the year as needed.

Additional details regarding Parent and Family Engagement are available in the annual Parent-Student Handbooks (PSHB) which are distributed annually, posted on the school websites. For the full District Parent and Family Engagement Policy, please refer to this [link](#) on the Policy page of the americanprep.org website.

School Parent and Family Engagement Policies

School Parent Involvement Policies vary slightly by campus and are located within the Parent-Student Handbooks <https://www.americanprep.org/parent-student-handbooks/>. These Handbooks are distributed annually to parents and are now accessible on the APA website under the Parent Library drop-down tab.

Mandated Assessments and Opt-Outs

American Preparatory recognizes that Standardized Testing is an essential tool for measuring student learning and teacher success. The data obtained from these assessments may be utilized by teachers and administrators to review student academic progress, plan instruction, and share with students and parents. Summative assessments allow for data to be used in public reporting about school quality. Parent's may opt-out of most state standardized tests by submitting a Parental Exclusion form to the Academic Director. You can learn more about the state assessments administered at American Prep and find the testing schedules for your student's campus by following this link: <https://www.americanprep.org/state-assessments/>.