



AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

September 15th, 2023

DRAPER 3



UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, September 15th

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Saturday, September 16th

Tuesday, September 19th

Wednesday, September 20th

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Thursday, September 21st

Friday, September 22nd

Wednesday, September 27th

Fall Festival (5-8pm)

Mid-Term Late Work Due

9th-12th grade Back to School Dance (6-8pm)

Constitution Day

11th Grade Overlook Hike

New Parent Orientation (6-7pm)

New Parent Orientation (8:30am-9:30am)

EARLY DISMISSAL-Parent Teacher Interventions

Builder's Assembly

- Reminders -

11th Grade Overlook Hike

The 11th Grade Overlook Hike is coming up soon! On September 20th, our 11th graders will have the fun opportunity to hike Desolation Trail in Millcreek Canyon and enjoy some quality time with their classmates. After the 5-mile round-trip hike, we'll be roasting hot dogs and s'mores over a campfire. The activity will go from 12:30pm - 4:30pm, please note the late pick-up time. The dress-code for this event will be Friday polo, shoes that can be hiked in comfortably, and appropriate jeans. (No jeans with holes or leggings will be permitted.) This activity will be a lot of fun, our 11th graders won't want to miss it!

Back to School Luau

9th-12th graders get ready for our rockin' Luau on Saturday, Sept. 16th from 6-8. Come dressed in your best tropical or tourist attire. Proper APA dress standards will be enforced. Tickets are being sold at the front office for \$5 each. Make sure to get yours now! It's going to be an awesome night!

Achieving Academic Success and Developing Good Character

Mighty Steps Service Opportunity

11th grade students, are you looking for opportunities to earn points toward your service award? Do you want to participate in an awesome service opportunity? Join us at the Utah Down Syndrome Foundation's Mighty Steps event! We'll be making posters, cheering on participants as they run, and helping out wherever is needed. If you're interested, sign up at the Character Development Office!

Chess Club

Chess club meetings are Mondays and Fridays from 3-4pm in room #123. All levels are welcome.

Smile Club

If your student enjoys helping and serving others, they should join the care club. The Care Club is a club that provides opportunities for students to do kind things on a small scale to those in their community. Meetings are Fridays in room #120.

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/>.