



Sept. 20, 2018

DRAPER 3



UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, September 21st

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September 25th - 27th

Wednesday, September 26th

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Friday, September 28th

September 28th - 29th

Monday, October 1st

Wednesday, October 3rd

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Friday, October 5th

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NO SCHOOL [D3 Students] - PTCs

Parent Teacher Conferences (8am-12pm)

Boy Golf State Tournament

8th Grade Barn Event and BBQ (8-11:30am)

7th/8th Grade Builders Assembly (12:40-2pm)

Picture Retakes (8am-12pm)

Girls Tennis State Tournament

Drama Shakespeare Showcase (7-8pm)

9th-12th Grade Builders Assembly (12:40-2pm)

Jr. High Cross Country State Meet (5:30-7pm)

Spirit Day

Term 1 Late Work Deadline

Fall Formal Dance (7-9pm)

For updates, additional event information, and athletic events, please visit our campus website at

<http://www.draper3.americanprep.org>.

Parent Teacher Conferences Are Here

Parent Teacher Conferences are happening today and tomorrow: Thursday, September 20th (3-7 p.m.) and Friday, September 21st (8am-noon). ***There will be no school on Friday, September 21st.**



AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

Fall Formal Dance

As the days and years race on without stopping, we want to have your students come "Fall Through Time" with us. The 12th grade Student Government leaders are working hard to make this amazing night happen. Here are the details:

- The dance will be from 7:00-9:00 P.M. on Friday, October 5th.
- Dance attire is semi-formal.
- We hope this can be a traditional high school dance experience for your students with activities such as: Asking a date creatively, going to dinner before the dance, and/or planning a fun activity afterwards.
- Students are welcome to come individually, with dates, or with a big group of friends.

11th Grade Overlook Hike

The 11th grade SL Overlook Hike will take place on October 10, 2018, from 2:30-5:00 P.M. This hike begins at Desolation Trail up Millcreek Canyon. It is a moderate hike, about 4 miles round trip. Once students reach the top, our Secondary Director will talk with them about their life goals, likening them to this particular hike. (sometimes you can't see the top, or reach your goal, until you round that final corner!) The view at the top is beautiful and students love to take photos with the city in the backdrop. At the end of the hike, students will enjoy eating hot dogs, roasting smores and interacting with their peers. Many of our APA graduates have said this hike is one of their favorite and most memorable events of their high school years.

12th Grade Senior Sunrise and Painting Party

The 12th Grade Senior Sunrise and Painting Party will take place on October 10th, from 6:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M. The Seniors have voted and want to hike to see the sun rise from the top of a mountain! We will be meeting at the school at 6:00 AM. They will want to bring water and a head lamp or flashlight if they have one. We will have extras if they don't. We will bus the seniors up to the Mill D North Hike and hike with them. It is two miles round trip, led by Mr. Sheneman, moderate difficulty. We are excited to hike and enjoy breakfast while watching the sunrise. This should be a growing and unifying experience! After returning from the hike, the seniors have the opportunity to personalize their assigned parking spots using spray chalk. It will be a fun day!

Mark Your Calendars: High School Basketball Tryouts

If you are in 9th-12th grade and are interested in playing basketball, make sure to mark your calendar for High School Basketball Tryouts.

- **High School Boys Basketball**
 - Monday, Nov. 5th & Tuesday, Nov. 6th (3:30-5:30 P.M.) @ D3 Gym
- **High School Girls Basketball**
 - Monday, Nov. 5th & Tuesday, Nov. 6th (3:30-5:30 P.M.) @ D2 Gym
 - Wednesday, Nov. 7th & Thursday, Nov. 8th (2:30-4:30 P.M.) @ D3 Gym



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From the Junior High Counselor's Desk

Greetings! I am very excited to be a part of American Preparatory Academy as D3's new Jr. High counselor! This year we are continuing to evolve our program and implement more College & Career readiness for our Jr. High students. Here's a few things we will be incorporating this Fall:

7th Grade:

- College & Career Assemblies
- Working with Career readiness programs like O'net & Utah Futures
- Interactive career exploration with guest speakers

8th Grade:

- College field trip (earned)
- Career Readiness Programs (O'net & Utah Futures)
- Interactive career exploration with guest speakers

Please feel free to contact/e-mail me with any questions or concerns for your Jr. High student! I look forward to working with each of them this year!

-Mrs. Heather Mirimanian, hmirimanian@apamail.org

Recruit the Best and Retain the Best!

We all know that American Prep's greatest assets are our teachers and staff!

Research shows that the most important factor affecting student learning is his or her teacher. When students are placed with a high performing teacher three years in a row, gains in student achievement are significant and their chances of attending college are increased.

Friends of APA has created a unique way to say "thank you" by forming the Builders Club. The Builders Club is a program that provides bonuses and staff compensation for our teachers. We invite all our parents to become members of the Builders Club by making monthly donations for each student that attends APA. We want to reward our teachers so we can retain them and provide an excellent education for our students well into the future.

To join the Builders Club, go to <https://www.americanprepfoundation.org/apa-builders-club> and complete the form. If you prefer to donate in person each month, you can donate at the front office.

Teen Explainers Job Opportunity

Job Opportunity at the Natural History Museum of Utah for students age 14 and up -

https://nhmu.utah.edu/sites/default/files/informational_flyer.pdf

- Reminders (repeat information from previous newsletter) -

Picture Retakes

If you missed picture day or need your school picture retaken, make sure you mark your calendar for **Friday, September 28th.**



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8th Grade Barn Event

On Wednesday, September 26th, all 8th Grade students will participate in the 8th Grade Barn Dance and BBQ where they will learn essential skills such as listening during conversation, the importance of teamwork, how to seat a lady, and how having a positive attitude makes a big difference when the going gets rough!

D.A.R. Essay Contests

The Daughters of the American Revolution Salt Lake Valley Chapter is pleased to invite your students to participate in this year's essay contests. Participation is open to grades 5-8 (American History) and 9-12 (Christopher Columbus). Money, awards, fame and glory await them! The topics are detailed below. Find additional information see at <https://www.dar.org/national-society/education/essay-contests>

- American History essay contest - grades 5th-8th
 - 2018-2019 Title: "The Women's Suffrage Campaign"
 - Topic: The 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was passed by the United States Congress on June 4, 1919, and was ratified on August 18, 1920. This amendment granted all American women the right to vote and hold elective office. Imagine you are living in 1919 while the women's suffrage campaigns were having impact on Americans politically and socially. Discuss the pros and cons of this new amendment the U.S. Congress has passed.
 - Submission deadline is December 1, 2018 to Tamee Burkholder (DAR SL Valley Historian) daughtersofAmRevUtah@gmail.com
- Christopher Columbus Essay Contest - grades 9th -12th
 - 2018-2019 Title: "Comparing Ship Technology: The Ships Columbus Used Versus the Ships of Today"
 - Topic: The three-ship fleet of Christopher Columbus included two ships known as caravels, Nina and Pinta, and one larger ship which served as Columbus' flag ship, Santa Maria. Discuss the advantages and disadvantage of these late fifteenth-century ships compared to the modern ships of today and how they would have been prepared for his voyage.
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UPLIFT Families Conference - September 29

UPLIFT FAMILIES is an initiative to connect parents with information, resources and programs that help them acquire knowledge and skills to raise loving, responsible, and happy children.

Strong parent-child relationships are the key to providing children with tools and encouragement to make healthy and safe choices in their lives, keeping them free from drugs, alcohol, violence, crime and pornography. This UPLIFT FAMILIES program includes web-based resources, social media experiences, educational materials and periodic conferences on parenting and family issues.

<https://www.upliftfamilies.org/2018-conference>