



Sept. 28, 2018

DRAPER 3



UPCOMING EVENTS

September 28th - 29th
Saturday, September 29th
Monday, October 1st
Wednesday, October 3rd
Wednesday, October 3rd
Friday, October 5th
Friday, October 5th
Friday, October 5th
Wednesday, October 10th
Wednesday, October 10th
Wednesday, October 10th
Wednesday, October 10th
Friday, October 12th
Friday, October 12th
October 12th - 13th
Saturday, October 13th
October 15th - 19th

Girls Tennis State Tournament
Saturday School (7-10am)
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)
Girls Soccer State Tournament
7th-11th Grade PSAT (8am-12:30pm)
12th Grade Senior Sunrise (8am-12:30pm)
11th Grade Overlook Hike (12:50-4:45pm)
End of Term 1
Winterim Catalog Published
Boys Baseball State Tournament
Saturday School (7-10am)
NO SCHOOL - Fall Break

For updates, additional event information, and athletic events, please visit our campus website at <http://www.draper3.americanprep.org>.



AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

School Fees Due

If you have not yet paid school fees for this year, please do so right away. All school fees are due by Friday, October 5th. Starting Monday, October 8th, there will be a late fee added to all unpaid accounts.

Saturday School

Upcoming Saturday School dates are Sept. 29th and Oct. 13th. Students must report at 7:00am, in full uniform, to the JH Cafeteria, with school work to work on. Students must pre-pay at the office.

Homecoming Dance, Friday Oct 5 from 7-9pm

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. Tickets can be bought at the HS office. Ticket prices are \$8 for individual, \$15 per couple, \$20 for APA student and outside guest (11-12 grade only). Students are welcome to come individually, with dates, or with a big group of friends. 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. Encourage them to come!

New Lunch Information

Dear Parents - [The menu for October, November, and December is now available here!](#) You can now order online - the link for online ordering can be found here:

<https://www.americanprep.org/school-lunch-program/>

If you ordered Free or Reduced price lunches in September and the ordering system is charging you full price, that may mean your application expired. We were able to offer you free/reduced price lunch for the first 30 days of school, but if you want to continue to order free/reduced price lunches you will need to complete a new application. We sent letters and paper applications home this week to everyone. Please complete the application as soon as possible and return it to the main office. You may also complete the application online.

<https://www.americanprep.org/school-lunch-program/free-and-reduced-price-meal-application/>

Utah Student Advisory Council

Utah is now the first state in the nation to create a Student Advisory Council through policy and will be one of 26 states to include student participation at the state level. Of those, 17 states have statutes that mandate at least one board member be a student, and the other eight states have a current Student Advisory Council created through either statute or superintendent initiative.

This is a unique opportunity for our 11-12 grade students. The Student Advisory Council will be made up of 15 Juniors and Seniors around the state to work with and give feedback to the Utah State Board of Education. The application period is now open. Applications will be accepted through Oct. 5. One student per [State Board district](#) will be selected; students unsure of the district in which they reside can enter their address here: <https://elections.utah.gov/map/district-maps>.

All information can also be found here: <https://schools.utah.gov/board/participation/advisorygroups/sac>



Healthy Home, Healthy Students, Healthy School

The the cold, the flu, and the stomach bug season is upon us. Usually these illnesses, however uncomfortable they make us, are minor illnesses. The good news is that many of these common illnesses can be prevented with the right precautions. Please help us keep your students healthy by encouraging them to wash their hands frequently, not touch their face, and to not share drinks or food from their dishes with anyone. Here at the school, we are doing our best to keep surfaces disinfected and encourage you to do the same. If your student has a fever, has thrown up, or is constantly coughing, we ask that you keep them home from school. We ask that a student be fever free & vomit free for at least 24 hours before coming back to school. By following these guidelines, we hope to decrease the spread of these easily transmittable illnesses.

Event Review: 8th Grade Barn Event

Last week our 8th grade students put on their cowboy hats and bandanas for all of the fun at the Barn Dance & BBQ Event! Our students did a wonderful job practicing 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! A big "thank you" to all the parents who helped our event to be a success! Parents make sure to test your student's knowledge on the following station quiz questions!

1. What are three things you can do to improve your listening skills? (Plan to listen, Show that you are listening, Be a cooperative listener)
2. How does encouragement affect a game? (It makes the game more fun.)
3. How do you, the gentleman, know when a lady is comfortable and you may be seated? (She rests her back against the chair)
4. How can difficult life situations affect us in a positive way? (it can motivate us to be positive and put forth our best effort)

- Reminders (repeat information from previous newsletter) -

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

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.



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

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