



AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

Jan. 17th, 2020

DRAPER 3



UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, January 20th

Tuesday, January 21st

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Wednesday, January 22nd

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Friday, January 24th

Wednesday, January 29th

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Thursday, January 30th

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Saturday, February 1st

NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

NOON DISMISSAL - Professional Development

Winterim Assembly (10-12:00pm)

Beginning of Term 4

RISE Interim Testing

Musical Auditions (3-5:30pm)

Jr. High Geography Bee: 1st Round(In class)

Jr. High Geography Bee Assembly (12:30-1:50pm)

11th Grade Kauri Sue Hamilton Dance (1:15-3:45pm)

9th Grade Capitol Trip (8am-1:45pm)

Science Fair (5:30-6:30pm)

9th Grade Winter Dance (6:30-8:30pm)

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

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

Musical Auditions

If you are interested in auditioning for the upcoming school musical, please prepare 30 seconds of a contemporary Broadway song, and sign-up for your audition time slot. [Click here for more information.](#)



Winterim Assembly + Color Wars

On **Tuesday, January 21st**, we will have our exciting Winterim Assembly! During the assembly, there will be a number of competitions between the grades. Don't forget to wear your grade's Spirit Week color:

- 7th grade - Purple
- 8th Grade - Blue
- 9th Grade - Gray
- 10th Grade - Green
- 11th Grade - Yellow
- 12th Grade - White

Mark Your Calendars: Re-enrollment Meetings

Every year, we ask one parent/guardian from each family to attend one of our Re-enrollment Meetings. In order to make this as convenient as possible, we offer several meetings on different dates and times.

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend one of the following meetings.

- **Monday March 9th, 2020, at 7 PM**
- **Tuesday March 10th, 2020, at 8 AM**
- **Saturday March 14th, 2020, at 9 AM**
- **Tuesday March 17th, 2020, at 6 PM**
- **Wednesday March 18th, 2020, at 8 AM**
- **Wednesday March 18th, 2020, at 1 PM**

9th Grade Winter Dance

The 9th Grade Winter Dance is coming up on **Saturday, February 1st**, from **6:30-8:30 p.m.**, at the District Megaplex (3761 W Parkway Plaza Drive, South Jordan, UT 84095). Professional dress or Monday–Thursday Uniform is required. See the chart below:

Gentleman	Ladies
Button up shirt and slacks	Dress or skirt and blouse
Belt and Tie	Dress/skirt must be within 2 inches of the knee
Dress Shoes	Dress/blouse must have a modest neckline and sleeves
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*Dress shoes must be worn throughout event. Please make sure they are comfortable and can be worn to dance in for two hours.	

* Note: Ambassador Events are part of the APA leadership curriculum. Attendance is expected and graded.



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MathCounts

The annual MathCounts competition will take place at Waterford School on **February 8th, 2020**. Draper APA candidates will begin MathCounts training on **Wednesday, January 21st at 2:30 P.M.** Students in grades 6, 7, & 8 are eligible for spots on the MathCounts team. Select students will receive invitations to join the team. Students who are invited or are interested in participating in MathCounts may contact Kathy Woodcox, at kwoodcox@apamail.org, for more information.

Order Lunches for February

You can now order school lunches for next month and all the way through the end of the year (May). <https://apalunch.h1.hotlunchonline.net/> You MUST order by Saturday, before midnight (11:59 pm), in order to have lunch on the following Monday.

APEF Student Art Contest

APEF is looking for art contest submissions from some talented American Prep students. The artwork will be used on notecards and thank you cards for APEF. Submissions should be emailed to Michelle Goudge (mgoudge@americanprepfoundation.org) in a .png or .jpg file or dropped off with a campus secretary. The theme for the contest is "Friends of APA" and the deadline is February 15. The winner will receive a \$25 gift certificate for the APA Apparel Store.

Jordan Family Education Center Seminar

The Jordan Family Education Center is offering a seminar for parents entitled Safeguarding our Youth. This seminar for parents will address bullying, internet safety, child sexual abuse, substance use and abuse, and suicide prevention. This seminar will be held on Wednesday evening, **January 22, 2020** and Thursday evening, **February 20, 2020** from 7:00 - 9:00 pm. Parents who would like to attend the seminar can call the Jordan Family Education Center at 801-565-7442 to register. There is no cost to participate.

ME Time by Salt Lake County Youth Services

Salt Lake County Youth Services is offering two cycles of their depression prevention program, ME Time, starting **January 27th** and **February 4th**. These free six-week work groups will be located in South Salt Lake and West Jordan. [Please view the flyer here to learn more.](#)

Parent Empowerment Meeting: Pornography is Changing

Due to the amount of interest in this topic, we will be hosting another session of "Pornography is Changing", by True Connections, on **Tuesday, February 25th, at 7:00 P.M.** [Click here to view the informational flyer.](#)



Hardship Fund

Please read the following message, regarding APEF's Hardship Fund, from Michelle Goudge (mgoudge@americanprepfoundation.org), APEF Executive Director:

"We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give." - Winston Churchill

As I stated in last week's newsletter, I'd like to educate our parents on what The Foundation is. APEF is a non-profit 501(c)(3), and is the fundraising arm of APA. Last week I talked about Builders Club. This week I'd like to explain The Foundation's Hardship Fund.

The Hardship Fund was developed to provide resources to help APA students, parents, teachers, and staff members with severe hardships. Funds in this account consist of donations provided by APA-affiliated people and groups such as students, parents, organizations, and staff who want to assist other APA community members in times of crisis. Funds are distributed as directed by the Board of Directors when they are notified of a critical need in the community. Needs may include costs for excessive medical care, funeral costs, or costs from other extreme situations.

I've seen first-hand this academic year how those funds have helped a number of our APA families. If you would like to contribute to APA's Hardship Fund, donations can be made at <https://www.americanprepfoundation.org/hardship-fund>.

- Reminders (repeat information from previous newsletter) -

Presale Pricing for Yearbooks Now Available

Pre-order your yearbook today, by clicking on this link: <https://www.americanprep.org/yearbook/> Pricing will go up on February 1st.

Presale Pricing (BEFORE JANUARY 31ST):

- Soft cover = \$15
- Hard cover = \$20

Pricing as of February 1st:

- Soft cover = \$17
- Hard cover = \$22

Builders Club

Please read the following message, regarding the Builders Club, from Michelle Goudge (mgoudge@americanprepfoundation.org), APEF Executive Director:

A lot of parents, both new and those who have been around for a while, have asked me what APEF is. Over the next several weeks I will try to explain some of the things that we do. One of the main focuses of the The Foundation (American Preparatory Education Foundation is a mouthful, so I'm going to save some words!) is Builders Club. For those of you who are not familiar with our Builders Club, I'd like to explain.



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Research shows that the most important factor affecting student learning is his or her teacher. As the daughter of a teacher, I have seen, first-hand, the ins and outs of being an educator. It is an extremely rewarding career, but also a challenging and difficult one. Teachers have a very significant, lifelong impact on all of their students. The job of a teacher is not only to educate our children, but also to foster self-esteem and self-confidence in them, to motivate and inspire them, to support and encourage them, and to teach them skills that they will carry into their adult lives. Educators have one of the most important jobs in the world, preparing our children for the future. They shoulder a huge responsibility.

One of APA's goals is to attract and retain the best teachers and staff. The Builders Club is a subscription-based program that helps to do that by building our compensation fund. It is a great way for our parents and community to show their appreciation. 100% of the funds that are donated to Builders Club are used to pay teacher and staff bonuses. One of my goals is to build this fund so that we can give our teachers and staff larger bonuses, making APA the school that even more great teachers want to come to and stay.

More information on APA's Builders Club can be found at <https://www.americanprepfoundation.org/buildersclub>. And please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions that you have.

Utah STEM Expo 2020

You are invited to the 7th annual Utah STEM Expo. At this event, students in middle school, high school, universities, and businesses demonstrate STEM projects. This event is free for the public to attend.

- Location: Mountain America Expo Center in Sandy (9575 S. State St.), Hall 2
- Date/time: **Saturday, February 29, 2020 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

Please check out the highlights video at https://youtu.be/luMWTd9_zas, view the event flyer by [clicking here](#), or visit www.utahstemexpo.org for more information.

If you are a student, in 6th through 12th grade, and you would like to demonstrate your own STEM project, please complete this [Google form by clicking here](#). (Due Friday, January 31, 2020). If you need help brainstorming what kind of project to do [click here for a list of ideas](#).

For questions or more information please contact Kerrie Upenieks, STEM Coordinator, at kerrie.upenieks@beehiveacademy.org.

Parents can email volunteer hours to: D3volunteer@apamail.org