



AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

September 13th, 2024

DRAPER 3



UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, September 14th

Tuesday, September 17th

Wednesday, September 18th

Friday, September 20th

Monday, September 23rd

Wednesday, September 25th

Welcome Back Dance (6-8 PM)

Constitution Day

8th Grade W.O.R.K Party (12:30-2:45 PM)

EARLY RELEASE- NOON DISMISSAL

Midterm Late Work Due

11th Grade Overlook Hike (12:30-4:30)

After School Clubs

After School clubs are starting back up. National Honor Society is everyday after school in room #323. This is a club that provides free tutoring to students. Dungeons and Dragons meets Thursdays from 2-4 PM in room #322. Lego Club meets Fridays from 3-4 PM in room #121. Investing club is on Tuesdays afterschool in room #228.

Welcome Back Dance

The Welcome Back Dance will be on Saturday, September 14th from 6:00pm - 8:00pm. All high school students are invited to attend! Tickets are \$5 each, and will go on sale at the front office.



11th Grade Overlook Hike

The 11th grade Overlook Hike is on Wednesday, September 25th! This event will start at the beginning of 4th period, and end at 4:45 pm. (Late dismissal!) We will be hiking Desolation Trail, then roasting hot dogs and smores.

11th Grade Service Opportunity

11th graders have an optional service opportunity coming up! On Saturday, September 28th, we have the chance to help out at Mighty Steps, an event put on by the Utah Down Syndrome Foundation. At this event, we'll be helping with various games and activities. This is not a required/graded event; any 11th grade students who would like to join us should come to the Character Development Office to sign up and get a permission slip. We'll be riding the bus to-and-from Draper 3, and will be gone from 9:30am - 2:00pm.

-Reminders-

Constitution Day Celebration

Our annual Constitution Day celebration with our live reading of the U.S. Constitution is on Tuesday, Sept. 17th. Our reading will take place at 8:00 am, tune in at vimeo.com/americanprep to watch!

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 and 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, and available in Spanish at our West Valley campuses.

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 & 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. West Valley Parent-Student Handbooks will be available in Spanish.

Mandated Assessments & 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/>

8th Grade W.O.R.K Party

The 8th grade W.O.R.K. (Wonderful Opportunities to Render Kindness) Party will be on Wednesday, Sept. 16th, from 12:30 pm - 2:35 pm. (Late dismissal!) Students can wear their Friday polos and nice jeans. (No holes!) We are looking forward to this opportunity to perform service at parks and other city locations in the Draper area!



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