



**CALENDAR:**

September 6 <sup>th</sup>	Labor Day – NO SCHOOL
September 17 <sup>th</sup>	Constitution Day
September 24 <sup>th</sup>	Professional Development <b>EARLY DISMISSAL</b> -Only AM & Full Day attend 8:30 – 11:30 (NO PM SESSION)
October 1 <sup>st</sup>	Ms. Buell's classes: "Show What You Know" Program AM Class: 8:30 am sharp PM Class: 12:00 sharp
October 1 <sup>st</sup>	Ms. Saguilan's class: "Show What You Know" Program Full Day Class: 8:30 am sharp
October 4 <sup>th</sup>	Reading University Logs due to teacher
October 8 <sup>th</sup>	Elementary Grading: <b>EARLY DISMISSAL</b> -Only PM & Full Day attend 8:30 – 11:30 (NO AM SESSION)

Hello American Prep Families!

It has been a wonderful first week at the ELC! Your children have shown great excitement to learn and start their incredible APA journey. It has been a joy to see them come through our main doors ready to show off their backpacks, sharp looking uniforms and most importantly, their bigger-than-life smiles! Thank you for allowing us to be a part of this incredible experience with you and with them.

**BUILDER THEME SEPTEMBER BUILDER THEME: "Building with Enthusiasm"**

The Builder's Theme is reinforced by our "Builders Song" (K. Woodcox, 2004) and the "Builders" poem. Each student and staff member memorizes this poem and recites it at school events and in the classroom. It is also promoted through monthly "Builders Mottos" and "Builders Awards" that are presented to students and staff. We ask all members of the American Preparatory community to conduct themselves as builders by asking themselves this question: "What would be builder behavior?" Keeping the standard of behavior of that of a "builder" makes it easy to know how to conduct oneself and promotes a positive place for learning.

Teachers will be looking for students that exemplify our Builder Behavior. These students will be acknowledged during class and presented with a Builder's Award at the end of each month.

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES ----LOOKING FOR A FSO**

The ELC is currently looking for a FSO. This individual will be working directly with myself to oversee volunteer opportunities at the center. This can be done mainly at home with minimal need to come into the school. This individual will automatically receive 20 hours of their APA required 20 volunteer hours. If you are interested please email me at [cdastrup@apamail.org](mailto:cdastrup@apamail.org). Looking forward to working with you!

**CALENDAR:**

An ELC 2021-22 calendar has been provided to parents at both the Kindergarten assessments and the Meet and Greet. A google calendar is available on the [www.americanprep.org](http://www.americanprep.org) website under the Early Learning Center tab.

**PARENT STUDENT HANDBOOK:**

The parent student handbook was available at the parent orientation last night. If you were unable to attend you are welcome to come into the ELC and retrieve a copy. You can also find reference to the handbook on the American Preparatory Academy website at <https://www.americanprep.org/parent-student-handbooks/>. We ask that you read the handbook thoroughly, sign the back two pages and send those signature pages back to the ELC. We hope you find this information beneficial and a source of reference.

**CARPOOL**

Thank you for helping our carpool run safe and efficiently. This includes all car following our designated car pool route and refraining from parking your car and walking your student to the door.

- AM DROP-OFF: Doors will open as early as 8:00 am. At 8:25 all staff members will be in the classroom and not available to assist your student out of the car.
- AM PICK-UP: Release time is at 11:30 am. Please pick up your student by 11:40.
- PM DROP-OFF: Drop off no earlier than 11:45 so we can accommodate our AM students that are going home.
- PM PICK-UP: Release time is 3:00 pm. Please pick up your student by 3:10 pm

**UNIFORMS:**

For any uniform questions, please refer to our website at [www.americanprep.org](http://www.americanprep.org) This provides current uniform information. We are also excited to announce our Spirit wear day every Friday! You can find these guidelines online as well.



**FRONT OFFICE PROCEDURES**

If your child is absent, please call the front office (801-797-0069) to let us know. If your student is planning on being out of town, fill out the absent request form from the front office. Your student's teacher will need to be notified as well.

**SHOW WHAT YOU KNOW PROGRAM:**

Every month our students have the opportunity to perform for their parents. This performance is called our "SHOW WHAT YOU KNOW" program. We invite family members to come and see their student participate in this exciting event.

**ZEE MAPS:**

Below is the links for Draper 1/ELC ZeeMap. This reference is for families that are looking to carpool with other families. The 'Form A Carpool' link in Skyward has been updated for each campus. In re-registration and new student enrollment for this year there was an opt-in box for families, so if a family said no then their information is not listed on the maps.

Draper 1 <https://j.mp/3AbI9Ne>

**QUICK REMINDERS:**

Please place your students name on backpacks, coats and sweaters.

**KINDERGARTEN CORNER:** (Sayings from our very own Kindergarten students)

1. Student getting out of the car to come to school: "I'm 100 excited"
2. Student adding 13+1: "I can't do that , I don't have 13 fingers!"

We welcome any questions or concerns you might have. Please feel free to contact myself or the front office at 801-797-0069. We are looking forward a fabulous 2021-22 school year and serving our incredible kindergarten families.

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