

## EARLY LEARNING CENTER (ELC) NEWSLETTER

September 3, 2021

CALENDAR:

September 6th Labor Day - NO SCHOOL

September 17th Constitution Day

October 1st Ms. Buell's classes: "Show What You Know" Program AM Class: 8:30 am sharp PM Class: 12:00 sharp

October 1st Ms. Saguilan's class: "Show What You Know" Program Full Day Class: 8:30 am sharp

October 4th Reading University Logs due to teacher

October 8th Elementary Grading: EARLY DISMISSAL -Only PM & Full Day attend 8:30 – 11:30 (NO AM SESSION)

October 14th Reading University store

October 15th End of Term 1, report cards go home

October 18th-22 Fall Break

October 25th Beginning of Term 2

NOTE: September 24th will not be an early dismissal day as originally scheduled.

## BUILDER'S THEME FOR SEPTEMBER: BUILDING WITH ENTHUSIASM

It is exciting to hear from so many of our parents that their child is loving school. This warms our hearts! We definitely are seeing a positive energy at the ELC. This excitement comes from our fabulous students and their enthusiasm for school and learning! Watch out, it's contagious!

#### **CARPOOL REMINDERS:**

We are working hard at finding solutions to create a more efficient carpool system. We ask while you are in line on the north side of the ELC that you hug the curb allowing cars to use the middle and far right line to and from Draper 1.

On Wednesdays and Thursdays our Draper 1 campus has their early out days. In order to help facilitate a more their effective carpool, we ask that you please do not line up for the ELC carpool until 2:55. By that time our Draper 1 carpool should be close to completion. Thank you for your cooperation.

Other friendly carpool reminders:

- Please have your carpool tag hanging on your rearview mirror at both DROP OFF & PICK UP. This helps D1 carpool staff know where to direct you.
- Please do not turn left into the ELC parking lot. Continue to proceed to the full carpool route.
- During carpool, daycare staff and students often walk along the north road to the playground. In order to keep our students safe, please adhere to the speed limit when coming into and leaving the school property.

# **JOB OPPORTUNITIES AT APA:**

As you know, the role of the classroom instructor is vital to our elementary program. We have an immediate need for support at each of our campuses and are implementing a new referral program for this specific role. We are very excited to offer a Refer-A-Friend opportunity for Classroom Instructors, effective immediately. This program will offer a \$50.00 referral reward for each friend or family member you refer to American Prep who is hired as a full-time instructor.

How do you earn your Referral Reward? When your friend submits their application, there is a section on the application that asks who referred them. Please encourage your friend to list you as their referral so you can benefit from the Refer-A-Friend reward. We estimate to payout your referral bonus within 60 days of your referral's hire date.

One of the best things about our schools is that we have a full-time paraeducator in every elementary classroom to assist our teachers. These paraeducators are highly qualified and expertly trained to teach small reading and math groups using scripted programs and help in the homeroom. Classroom Instructors support our students who benefit from being taught at their precise instructional level. Job Description: Flexible schedule with summers off. Pay: \$12-\$14 an hour.

If you know someone who would be an excellent instructor, we would love for you to refer them to American Prep. Here is a description of the role and the link to apply.

# **PARENT ORIENTATION LINK:**

For those parents who were unable to attend our parent orientation we have provided a link that will allow you to view the recorded event. This will provide you with information discussed in that meeting. See link below: https://vimeo.com/592970522/ad985ed084



# READING UNIVERSITY -- WE LOVE TO READ!!

It was our first week of library. Our students were able to pick out two books. If you would like further information on which books are on the Kindergarten reading university list, please go to the following link: like https://americanpre.goalexandria.com/?site=BGR

Ms. Saguilan's Full day kindergarten class will have their library checkout day on Tuesday and Thursday. Ms. Buell's library checkout day will be on Wednesdays. Each week our students will check in their previous library books and receive two new books for the week.

#### ANNOUNCING OUR ELC FSO LEADER:

We are pleased to announce our 2021-2021 FSO for the ELC, Christine Shelby. She will be working closely with the AST leaders from both Ms. Saguilan and Ms. Buell's classes. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact her at <a href="mailto:elcfso@apamail.org">elcfso@apamail.org</a>. She will also be sending out volunteer opportunities and keeping you updated on activities at the ELC. Gear up for a great year of fun volunteer opportunities! Thank you Ms. Shelby for being willing to lead our parent volunteers!

## SHOW WHAT YOU KNOW

Our Show What You Know event is once a month. This event allows us to show off our exceptional kindergarten students. It gives them the opportunity to "show what they know" and perform songs, recite poems, etc. for their families. Our short program will start promptly on time and will last approx. 5-7 mins. Please see our dates on the google calendar. We'd love to see all our wonderful parents!

### **ZEE MAPS:**

Below is the links for Draper 1/ELC ZeeMap. This reference is for families that are looking to carpool with other families. In re-registration and new student enrollment for this year there was an opt-in box for families, so if a family checked no then their information is not listed on the maps. <u>Draper 1 https://j.mp/3Abl9Ne</u>

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

Student looked sad.... Teacher: "Where is your smile today?"

Student: "I gave it to the lady at the front office."

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