



CALENDAR:

September 5 th	Labor Day – NO SCHOOL		
September 17 th	Constitution Day		
September 30 th	Ms. Buell’s classes:	“Show What You Know” Program	AM Class: 8:30 am sharp PM Class: 12:00 sharp
	Ms. Saguilan’s class:	“Show What You Know” Program	Full Day Class: 8:30 am sharp
October 3 rd	Reading University Logs due to teacher		
October 7 th	Elementary Grading:	EARLY DISMISSAL -Only AM & Full Day attend 8:30 – 11:30 (NO PM SESSION)	
October 12 th	Professional Development	EARLY DISMISSAL -Only PM & Full Day attend 8:30 – 11:30 (NO AM SESSION)	
October 13 th	ELC Picture Day		
October 14 th	End of Term 1 (report cards out)		
October 17 th -21	Fall Break		
October 24 th	Beginning of Term 2		
October 28 th	Ms. Buell’s classes:	“Show What You Know” Program	AM Class: 8:30 am sharp PM Class: 12:00 sharp
	Ms. Saguilan’s class:	“Show What You Know” Program	Full Day Class: 8:30 am sharp

BUILDER’S THEME FOR SEPTEMBER: “BUILDING WITH ENTHUSIASM”:

We have loved seeing our sweet students come to school with happy faces and an excitement to learn! Ralph Waldo Emerson said, “Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm!” We are working hard at achieving great things.

CARPOOL CHANGE:

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.

SHOW WHAT YOU KNOW

Lights, camera, action! We are excited to perform for our parents in our classroom for our September Show What You Know! Please note the date and time your student’s class will be performing. We’d love to see all of 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. 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>

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 AND 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 AND 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.

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

A student had fallen and had a big, red scrape on his elbow.

Grandparent: "Sorry you fell. Those raspberries hurt"

Student: "Grandpa, it wasn't raspberries, it was asphalt."

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