

August 17, 2023



## Upcoming Events

August 17 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Orientation	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm @ Draper 1 campus in the Gym
August 18 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Day of Kindergarten	Early dismissal for all kindergarten students 12:15 pm
Sept 1	Spirit Wear Friday	
Sept 4 <sup>th</sup>	Labor Day - NO SCHOOL	
Sept 15 <sup>th</sup>	Spirit Wear Friday	
Sept 19 <sup>th</sup>	Read the Constitution Day	
Sept 29 <sup>th</sup>	Show What You Know Programs 8:15 am (Park in the far West Parking lot)	
Oct 6 <sup>th</sup>	Elementary Grading Day	Early Dismissal 12:15 for all kindergarten students
Oct 6 <sup>th</sup>	Spirit Wear Friday	
Oct 12 <sup>th</sup>	Picture Day	
Oct 13 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term 1 - Report cards go home	
Oct 16 <sup>th</sup> -20 <sup>th</sup>	Fall Break - NO SCHOOL	

### **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 APA educational 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 letting us to be a part of this incredible experience with them.

### **SEPTEMBER'S BUILDER THEME -- "BUILDING WITH ENTHUSIAM"**

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 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.

## Early Learning Center



AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

### PARENT ORIENTATION

**Date:** Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup>  
**Time:** 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
**Where:** We will be meeting at the gym over at the Draper 1 campus  
Campus is located across the parking lot of the ELC (12892 South Pony Express Road)

At Parent Orientation, you will receive detailed information about:

- Carpool**
- Volunteer hours and opportunities**
- Dockets**
- Attendance and check in procedures**
- Uniforms FAQ's**
- Specific information and instructions from your student's teacher**

The link to the Parent Orientation power point is attached to this email.

### PARENT STUDENT HANDBOOK:

The parent student handbook is available on our website at <https://www.americanprep.org/parent-student-handbooks/>. We ask that you read the handbook thoroughly. We hope you find this information beneficial and a source of reference.

### READING UNIVERSITY...WE LOVE TO READ!

We love having our students being read to and interacting with books as much as possible! Studies have shown that students learn vocabulary, factual knowledge, and a love of reading by frequently being read to. If you would like further information on which books on the K reading university list please go to [americanprep.org](http://americanprep.org), click on ELC, view book list, kindergarten.

Next week our students will receive their first set of library books.

<b>Ms. Saguilan's Library Days:</b>	<b>Tuesday, Thursday</b>
<b>Mrs. Lucas' Library Days:</b>	<b>Tuesday, Thursday</b>
<b>Mrs. Buell's Library Days:</b>	<b>Monday, Wednesday</b>

### **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 days will be the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of every month. 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.

### **ZEE MAPS:**

Below is the links for Draper 1/ELC Zee Map. 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/ELC <https://j.mp/3AbI9Ne>

### **QUICK REMINDERS:**

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

### **SHOW WHAT YOU KNOW PROGRAMS: (PLEASE PARK ON THE FAR WEST PARKING LOT)**

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. 10 mins. Please see our dates on the google calendar. We'd love to see all our wonderful parents!

### **SCHOOL LUNCH:**

The website for ordering school lunch is now available!

- If you have not done so already, we ask all families to complete a Free/Reduced Lunch application: <https://www.americanprep.org/school-lunch-program/eligibility/>
- You can login to Skyward to see your lunch status - click on Food Service tab on the left.

**How To Order:** Please follow these instructions to place your order

- Go to <https://apalunch.h1.hotlunchonline.net/>
- Login with your email and password.
  - If you forgot your password, try 1234.
  - If you need to answer a security question, what is library card # try 1234.
- Click on ORDER (top middle).
- Top right make sure to move arrow to August
- Add menu items (quantity 1) to the cart by clicking on the Blue bar (Regular or Vegetarian) to add to cart.
- Review and place the order.

- **DO YOU HAVE MORE THAN ONE STUDENT?** Be sure to use the drop-down button at the top to navigate to the next student and repeat the ordering process.
- **DO YOU WANT TO ORDER THRU END OF YEAR?** Be sure to click on arrow on top right to go to the next month (August, September)

- [Detailed ordering instructions](#)

**Why We Pre-Order Lunches:** At American Prep, all elementary students eat lunch in the classroom. Secondary students eat in multipurpose rooms or cafeterias. All meals are prepared at our central kitchen, cooled, and delivered to the campuses, where they are stored in refrigerators. In order to estimate meal production and facilitate delivery to elementary classrooms, we ask parents to pre-order meals. However, any student who needs a meal can go to the lunchroom to receive one. We will provide a leftover meal (served the previous day) or an alternate meal (fruit, vegetables, and milk) to students who need a lunch.

**Non-Pickup Policy:** The school does not receive any reimbursement when a meal is not received by the student. Students who are at school but fail to pick up their lunch 3 or more times over a two-week period may have future lunch orders canceled until the student and parent/guardian meet with a school director and receive approval from the food service director. If meal orders have been canceled, students are welcome to go to the lunchroom to request an available meal or an alternate meal. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

**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!"

Warm Regards,  
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