



# AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

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*\* The asterisk throughout the newsletter indicates information that is new.*

## School Calendar – Salem Campus

May 26, 2017

Mon., May 29	<b>NO SCHOOL – Memorial Day</b>
Tues., May 30	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade End-of-Year Show What You Know, 5:30 pm 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade End-of-Year Show What You Know, 6:45 pm 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade End-of-Year Show What You Know, 6:00 pm
Wed., May 31	*AM and PM Kindergarten Attend 8:00 am – 11:00 am
Thurs., June 1	Kindergarten End-of-Year Show What You Know, 6:00 pm *Last Day of Kindergarten – AM and PM 8:00 am – 11:00 am
Fri., June 2	

### *Looking ahead.....*

Tues., June 6	*3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade End-of-Year Show What You Know, 6:00 pm
Wed., June 7	* <b>Noon Dismissal</b> , No Lunches Served *1 <sup>st</sup> Grade End-of-Year Show What You Know, 6:00 pm
Thurs., June 8	* <b>Noon Dismissal</b> , No Lunches Served
Fri., June 9	* <b>Noon Dismissal</b> , No Lunches Served

You will find all events, updates, and extracurricular activity schedules on our campus calendar at [www.salem.americanprep.org](http://www.salem.americanprep.org).

### **\*May Builders Theme: I Am a Builder When I Respect My Body and Mind**

There have been many great discussions at school about the importance of the students respecting their bodies and minds. Below are a few tips found on the internet to help kids make better choices throughout the day to help them respect their bodies and minds.

Kids often choose cookies over veggies, watch TV instead of taking a walk and don't practice good dental hygiene. By following these simple steps, however, you can help your little ones develop healthy habits to last a lifetime.

#### Make it a Habit to Drink Water

Give your kids water at every meal, and encourage them to drink it throughout the day to quench their thirst and avoid dehydration. Make sugar-packed sodas and juices rare treats instead of everyday occurrences.

#### Hit the Streets

Regular physical activity provides many benefits for adults and kids alike. Plus, research suggests that active kids might be less likely to engage in risky behaviors. They also are more likely to have better self-esteem, earn higher grades and get more sleep. If you're struggling with getting your kids to get off the couch, tell them you want their help getting more physically active. Ask them to join you for walks, biking or even yard work. They'll feel good about helping you — while developing their own fitness routines.



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## Give Your Kids Some New (Dental) Tools

A timer is a great way to help your kids brush for a full two minutes. Encourage flossing with a floss flavor kids love. Get products specially made to protect the areas dentists check most in kids, including cavities and fresh breath, and feature flavors and designs they'll love!

It may be hard to get your children to make healthier choices from out of nowhere, but keep at it. If you're constant, they'll develop healthy habits and, with a little nudge from mom [or dad], they'll be on their way to a fresh, healthy start!

Source: <https://www.pgeveryday.com/wellness/family-health/article/healthy-habits-for-kids>

## **Uniform Sale - Donations**

It is almost the end of another school year and as you go through your children's clothes that do not fit anymore or if your child is moving to another school, please remember the option to donate your used school uniforms to the school. We have donation boxes in both front office areas. The money from the sale of uniforms goes to different programs at our school, so every piece of clothing helps! Watch for information on our new and used uniform sale to be held in August. Thank you!

## **Teachers for Next Year**

As we are getting closer to the end of the school year, many of you are asking about requesting teachers for next year. Please understand that no matter who your child's homeroom teacher will be, your child will have many different teachers for different subjects and will have the opportunity to learn from the very excellent programs we offer at American Preparatory Academy. As we create new class lists for this upcoming school year, it is important to us that we consider each child individually and give them the best placement possible. We love your students and we desire success and happiness for each one of them. We will go over the class lists with a "fine-tooth comb," making sure that each student is in the best place possible for him/her. Although we will not be taking general requests, if your child has certain needs that require special consideration, please feel free to e-mail Richard Fillerup, the school director, at [rfillerup@apasalem.org](mailto:rfillerup@apasalem.org) before this school year ends on June 9<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your support!

## **\*Ambassador**

### **Ambassador Summertime Volunteer Opportunities**

There is a Google Doc with summertime volunteer opportunities listed. Some of these opportunities include filling depleted bins (with items like cups, plates, and forks), or filling a tote with different Ziploc bags, ironing napkins, making bows, helping with sweet tooth rewards for our events, organizing wristbands, etc. This has been very successful in past years. With parent support, we are able to do more with our Ambassador classes. Please e-mail Mrs. Denning at [ldenning@apasalem.org](mailto:ldenning@apasalem.org) so that you can access the spreadsheet to see how you can help. Thank you for your support in this great program.

## **Possible Eagle Projects**

We need to have a life-sized Jenga game, sturdy poster holders, and paper shelves made. If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact Mrs. Denning at [ldenning@apasalem.org](mailto:ldenning@apasalem.org).



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## **\*Student Lunches**

Parents, just a reminder that we do not have lunch on Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>. We also start a new month next week and you must order your student's meals 48 hours before the lunches are needed by noon. Please take a moment this weekend and order the few meals for June. We do not have many lunches left at school and we do not have food for your student if you do not order them a lunch. If you have any questions, contact Mrs. Lane at [llane@apasalem.org](mailto:llane@apasalem.org) or at 801-465-4434, ext. 125.

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
May 29	May 30	May 31	June 1	June 2
No Lunch	PB & J Cheese Stick Celery Orange	Fiesta Salad Whole Grain Roll Broccoli Juicy Pear	Chicken Salad Sandwich Grape Tomatoes Apple Slices	Vegetarian Salad Whole Grain Roll Cauliflower Banana

“This institution is an equal opportunity provider.” Menu is subject to change.

## **\*Curriculum**

Here is a reminder that all library books are now past due and classroom library inventories are complete. Any outstanding library books now need to be returned or paid for. All textbooks will be turned in next week. Thanks to so many of our wonderful students for taking such good care of the books! Students with no outstanding charges for lost or damaged library and textbooks will qualify for free dress on elementary field day. Yearbooks will be held for students with outstanding charges and they may be picked up after the charges are paid. Remember that replacement books are not accepted but arrangements can be made for payment alternatives by contacting the curriculum specialist.

## **\*Sports**

There will be a volleyball meeting Tuesday, May 30<sup>th</sup> at 3:20 pm in Mrs. Bradford's room. All 6<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> grade girls are invited! This will be a short 15-minute meeting to go over expectations for the summer and what will be happening this next volleyball season (open gym, tryouts, etc.) Parents are welcome to attend. We will see you next Tuesday!

## **\*End-of-Year Gifts for Staff**

As we come to the end of the school year, our thoughts turn to gift giving to show gratitude to those who have served our children this school year. Many parents wonder “what type of gift is best?” Our Wall of Thanks eliminates the guesswork and ensures teachers are more fully recognized and compensated for their hard work. Your \$5 donation buys a star on the Wall of Thanks for the staff member of your choice to whom you would normally give an end-of-year gift. These funds are put into an account that is dedicated to increasing the pay and providing bonuses to our teachers and staff.

Many families have already purchased stars for teachers and staff that they love. We have 131 stars on our wall already! You may donate online at <http://www.americanprepfoundation.org/staff-appreciation> or in person through the main office. Please show your appreciation by donating today. Together, we can make a difference!



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## **End-of-Year Information**

### **Summer Hours**

Our summer office hours during June will be Monday through Thursday from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm. The school will be closed during July. Mr. Fillerup is also available by e-mail anytime at [rfillerup@apasalem.org](mailto:rfillerup@apasalem.org).

### **Elementary Class Lists for 2017/2018 Year**

Elementary class lists for the 2017/2018 year will be posted on the front doors and the east doors beginning Friday, August 18<sup>th</sup>, for the Meet and Greet event. Please do not call the office asking who your student's teachers are. More information will be sent to you as the date gets closer.

### **Dockets**

Dockets will go home with your student(s) on Wednesday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. If your dockets are torn or lost, we will have replacements that can be purchased through the office. The docket alone is \$8.00 and the inside folders are \$2.00. If you need a complete replacement, the cost is \$10.00.

### **Name Tag**

If you receive a note stating that your student is missing his/her name badge, please help your student try to find it or send in \$5.00 for a replacement badge. The cost to replace a name tag is considered a fine, and this must be taken care of by Wednesday, June 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **Medications**

If your student has medications in the office, please come and pick them up. We will dispose of any medications left after Friday, June 9<sup>th</sup>.

### **Lost and Found**

We have accumulated quite a few items in our Lost and Found. Please come by to look and see if we have something that belongs to your family. After June 9<sup>th</sup>, anything left in the Lost and Found will be donated to a charitable organization to bless the lives of other children.

### **End-of-the-Year or Summer Withdrawal**

We know that there may be some families or students who find out during the summer that they will not be able to return to APA next year. Please remember to let us know as soon as your decision becomes official. We have many families on our waitlist who would love to attend APA and they would like to know as soon as possible. To complete the process, please come to the school to sign two exit forms that will be added to the student files.