



AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

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

School Calendar – Salem Campus

February 15, 2019

Mon., Feb. 18-Fri., Feb. 22

NO SCHOOL–Midwinter Break

Looking ahead.....

Mon., Mar. 4-Fri., Mar. 8

Fri., Mar. 8

*Classroom Speech Festivals, Grades K-6

Secondary Parent Teacher Conferences, **No School** for Secondary Students Only

Tues., Mar. 12

Band, Choir, and Orchestra Concert, 6 pm

Wed., Mar. 13

No Elementary Extended Day

Thurs., Mar. 12

*K-3rd Grade Schoolwide Speech Festival, 12:30 pm

*4th-6th Grade Schoolwide Speech Festival, 1:20 pm

Mon., Apr. 1-Fri., Apr. 5

***NO SCHOOL–Spring Break**

You will find all events, updates, and extracurricular activity schedules on our campus calendar at www.salem.americanprep.org.

*February Builders Theme: I Am a Builder When I Use My Words to Encourage Others

The following poem by Edgar A. Guest is a great example of how words can encourage others.

Don't Quit

When things go wrong, as they sometimes will,
When the road your trudging seems all uphill,
When the funds are low and the debts are high,
And you want to smile, but you have to sigh,
When care is pressing you down a bit
Rest if you must, but don't you quit.

Life is queer with its twists and its turns,
As everyone of us sometimes learns,
And many a failure turns about
When they might have won, had they stuck it out.
Don't give up though the pace seems slow,
You may succeed with another blow.
Often the struggler has given up
When he might have captured the victors cup;
And he learned too late when the night came down,
How close he was to the golden crown.

Success is failure turned inside out
The silver tint of the clouds of doubt



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And when you never can tell how close you are,
It may be near when it seems so far;
So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit,
It's when things seem worst that you mustn't quit!

***Reading University**

Congratulations to our Reading University award winners for January. The following students were amazing readers:

Kaycen Breck	Jonah Brockbank	Saydee Carter	Mason Elton	Lilly Fernandez
Alakai Ferran	Isaac Fillerup	Aspen Hales	Brayden Mitchell	Gavin Nelson
Adria Scott	Jocelyn Shubin	Ben Wilson	Zachary Wulfenstein	

***2019-2020 Open Enrollment**

Open enrollment is currently being held only for new students who would like to attend American Preparatory Academy during the 2019-2020 academic school year. **Students who are currently enrolled do NOT need to do anything at this time.**

New students need to begin the enrollment process by applying one of two ways:

- First, if there is a sibling who is already enrolled at APA or if there is a student of a staff member, please go to this link to apply: <https://goo.gl/forms/2Ap40Ncl5LEcpGAh1>.
- All other new students will need to go to this link to apply: <https://www.americanprep.org/enrollment/utah-application/>. A lottery will be held and selected students will be notified by phone and/or by e-mail.

Donations for Day Care

We are so grateful to everyone who donated items for our childcare facility at the beginning of the school year. It has greatly blessed the children's lives.

The children need some additional items. If you have any of the following items that you would be willing to donate, we would be grateful:

- Two-seater strollers
- Infant carrier pouches
- Backpack infant carriers
- Boppy pillow for infants
- Barbie house furniture
- Educational items
- New or gently used puzzles
- Manipulatives and fine-motor skill building activities



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***Ambassadors**

This past week was HOPE week. Monday was a day where we learned the power of words and the overused “Get Out of Jail Free” card and the phrases J/K or just kidding. On Tuesday, we talked about how blue light is a wake-up signal from the sun, but technology uses blue light and it keeps us thinking it is time to be awake, regardless if it is nighttime. On Thursday, we also discussed the importance of teaching our brain true signals. We spent time quietly meditating on things that are our responsibility and things we can change. Interestingly, about $\frac{3}{4}$ of the things that happen in our lives are not in our control, but we have direct influence and can change $\frac{1}{4}$ of what happens to us. We talked about looking at situations that are good and bad and asking if they are really good or bad. This is from one of Mrs. Denning’s favorite books: *That’s Good, No That’s Bad*.

Upcoming Events

The 7th and 8th grade La Fiesta event will be held Thursday, February 28th, 2019, from 11:15 am–2:10 pm. Ay yai yai! Arriba! Arriba! During this event, students will learn the importance of their GPA, respecting other cultures, ways to befriend others, and so much more! There will also be tasty food, such as chips and salsa and a delicious soup. Please contact Mrs. Denning at ldenning@apamail.org with any questions regarding this event.

Everyone say YEE-HAW! Our 5th and 6th grade students will participate in the Western Hoedown on Wednesday, March 6th, 2019, from 11:15 am–2:10 pm. At this event, the students will learn a fun line dance, learn the difference between the host and hostess and their responsibilities, how to stop bullying, and how to be a hard worker. Please contact Mrs. Denning as soon as possible if you are interested in this event.

Please e-mail Mrs. Denning at ldenning@apamail.org with any questions about the Ambassador program, along with opportunities to serve.

Homework Help

Please do not stress out over homework alone. If your child is struggling with homework, please reach out to the homeroom teacher for elementary students and the subject teacher for secondary students.

CMC Math

CMC uses number families to teach connective concepts in our lower grades. Number families are three numbers that have a mathematical relationship, consisting of two small numbers and one big number.

All students in a CMC class were sent home number family explanation sheets this week as a quick reference for parents and families. Always ask for help in CMC if you have a question. It can be tricky as a parent to understand the homework and we are here to help.

Saxon Math

In addition to our CMC math program, we have Saxon courses. The first trick with Saxon is to know where to look for help. Right under the question number in the homework in small parenthesis is the lesson number connected to that concept. The students are shown how to go back and look at that lesson for help. If that is not working, there are other options. Each math student was sent home with a homework help flier this week with resources that have been shown to help ease the homework headache.