



AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

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

School Calendar – Salem Campus

March 10, 2023

Sun., Mar. 12

*Daylight Savings Time Begins

Fri., Mar. 17

NO SCHOOL, Parent- Teacher Conferences

Looking ahead.....

Tues., Mar. 21

NOON DISMISSAL

Mon., Apr. 3- Fri., Apr. 7

***NO SCHOOL**, Spring Break

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

*March Builders Theme: I Am a Builder When I Quickly Acknowledge Mistakes and Humbly Make Amends

When we read, we all go back over the word we mispronounced and say it correctly. When students are learning new information in class, there is a lot of repetition. Why is that? We have learned that if we go back and correct what we did wrong, our brain will remember the last action, which is now a corrected one. Acknowledging our mistakes and correcting our behavior requires less time and energy than ignoring or wallowing in the mistakes. Clinical psychology research suggests that how people view mistakes dictates how well and how often people learn and progress. If you quickly acknowledge your mistakes and humbly make amends, learning from mistakes improves and becomes easier. Everyone makes mistakes. That does not mean you have failed. It means you have found one way that did not work. Phyllis Theroux said, “Mistakes are the usual bridge between inexperience and wisdom.”

2023-2024 Required Reenrollment Meetings for Returning Families

It is that time of year again! Our reenrollment process has officially started for next school year. There is a **mandatory** Celebration of Excellence meeting for parents of returning students in order to receive the reenrollment information for next year. Only one parent/guardian needs to attend. During this meeting, we will talk about updates to school policies, upcoming plans, etc. Please plan to attend one of the following meetings:

Wednesday, March 22nd at 8:30 AM

Tuesday, March 28th at 6:00 PM

This meeting is **required for all families that are currently enrolled**. Please arrive before the meeting begins. Doors will be closed when the meeting begins, and **parents will not be admitted late**. If you do not attend one of these meetings, your spot will not be reserved for next year, and you will have to resubmit your child’s name through the lottery for a seat next year. A lottery will be pulled after these meetings, and remaining seats will be filled with new families.

If you are not planning on returning, please fill out this quick form so we can update our records: <https://forms.gle/qcboQk2BoZMoboDw7>



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***Ambassadors**

The last stationed event for our 7th-9th grade students is our Passport to Success. This week, students should have brought home sheets of paper to fill out regarding dietary concerns. We wanted them returned by Friday, March 10th. If you have not seen this paper, please question your student regarding this. Our students will have lunch with me. They will not need to bring a lunch. During lunch, we will be practicing the art of breaking bread, how to properly manage a salad, and how to eat soup properly. This event is designed differently than our other stationed events. We are excited to present this part of the event with hands on instead of show and tell. We will need about 7 parents to help with this event. The food stations are quick set up, serve and reset, so many hands will help us to be quick with our hungry students. Please email Mrs. Denning at ldenning@apamail.org if you are available to help.

The Ambassador program works on professionalism through a well-designed program that teaches through events and culminating balls where students can practice the skills they have been learning throughout the year. As we head into our ball season, we want to make sure we answer as many questions as we can. The main question is about what your student should wear. Below is a quick reference.

Ladies:

- ◆ Dress, skirt
 - Length needs to be at the knee
 - When your daughter bends down to touch her toes, see how far the skirt climbs in the back
 - Slips are strongly encouraged. This helps the skirt stay in place as well as not see through.
- ◆ Professional slacks (yes, girls can wear dress slacks – remember this about looking professional – Belt needs to accompany the slacks)
- ◆ Shirts or the top of the dress should be
 - at least three of their fingers off the shoulder when they cross their arms
 - cover the bodice line
 - when they their arms in air, the shirt should not creep up
- ◆ Shoes should be comfortable, but not a tennis shoe

Gentlemen:

- ◆ Slacks
 - No outside pockets
 - No rivets
 - Belt or suspenders – If you choose to wear these, it is not necessary to wear a belt
- ◆ Button down shirt
- ◆ Tie, bolo or a bow tie
- ◆ Socks (these can be fun – but please ensure the ties and socks are not offensive)
- ◆ Dress shoes – no tennis shoes

Please look for more information in the near future. You can always contact Mrs. Denning at ldenning@apamail.org if you have questions.



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Upcoming events:

- Mar 30 7th-8th grade Passport for Success event (ball prep event)
- Mar 31 Parent Waltz night (7:00-8:30pm)
- Apr 10 & 13 Ball dress check (emailed pictures will also be accepted. They are due no later than April 13th. If there is any question about the outfit, a student may need to bring it in.
- Apr 20 7th Grade Masquerade Ball – time TBA Draper 2 campus
- Apr 21 8th Grade Masquerade Dinner and Ball - time TBA Draper 2 Campus

We are coming to the end of the year with our events. Volunteers are always appreciated, and volunteering is a fun way to get your volunteer hours. The more volunteers we have, the more smoothly our events run. Please contact Mrs. Denning at ldenning@apamail.org or (801)234-9436 if you have questions or are interested in participating in our events.

*Reading University

Congratulations to our Reading University winners for the month of March. The following students are great readers:

Emma Aldred	Anna Baschke	Aaron Corona	Isabel Cranford	Sarah Davis
Odin Fajardo	Jensie Grace	Summerlyn Hardman	Caleb Nielson	Bo Nixon
Shandee Shelton	Krew Stevens	Benji Wagner	Juan Vela	

*Lost and Found

Our lost and found is located in front of the elementary office. Please encourage your students to check for lost items in this area. All items will be donated or discarded on the last day of the term, March 31, 2023.