



AMERICAN PREPARATORY  
ACADEMY

# D1 Newsletter



## August Builders of the Month

Congratulations to the following students for showing what it means to be a *Builder*.

- 1st Grade    Mrs. Coe            *Oslyn Flores*  
                  Mrs. Conklin        *Zander Barnes*  
                  Ms. Oveson         *Daphne Foster*
- 2nd Grade    Ms. Cripps         *Ashlyn Leck*  
                  Mrs. Dumont        *Henry Carlson*  
                  Mr. Mazzini        *Evelyn Findlay*
- 3rd Grade    Mrs. Jhaveri        *Tanav Raneesh*  
                  Mrs. Pineda         *Zoha Chowdhary*  
                  Mrs. Wanner        *Bennett Strickland*
- 4th Grade    Mrs. Arabyan        *Lucy Bardsley*  
                  Mrs. Evans          *Shiloh Willey*  
                  Mrs. Thornock        *Kingston Sumner*
- 5th Grade    Mrs. Anderson      *Rhea Menezes*  
                  Mr. Brakey         *Joshua Barranco Sierra*  
                  Mrs. Williams      *Sabine McNees*
- 6th Grade    Ms. Diamond        *Adelin Faulk*  
                  Ms. Morris          *Tyson Tanner*  
                  Mrs. Peery          *Shiny Marneedi*

## Upcoming Events

- Tuesday, Sept. 10    Virtual Parent Empowerment  
*Cell phone & Internet Safety*
- Friday, Sept. 13     6th grade Ambassador Event  
*Take Flight*
- Tuesday, Sept. 17    Constitution Day  
*D1 Reading 12:00 pm*
- Friday, Sept. 20     Draper 1/ELC Fall Festival  
*5:00-8:00 pm at Draper 1*
- Friday, Sept. 20     Term 1 Midterm Deadline  
*All missing work from 8/21-9/19 due*
- Thursday, Oct. 3     1st-3rd Grade Field Trips
- Friday, Oct. 4        Term 1 Missing Work Deadline  
*Missing work from 9/20-10/3 due*
- Friday, Oct. 4        Early Dismissal  
*12:15 pm*
- Tuesday, Oct. 8      Virtual Parent Empowerment  
*Suicide Prevention*
- Thursday, Oct. 10    School Picture Day
- Friday, Oct. 11      End of Term 1
- Oct. 14-18            Fall Break  
*No School*



Every 1st & 3rd Friday!

# Draper 1/ELC Fall Festival

We are so excited for our FALL FESTIVAL held right here at our Draper One campus on Friday September 20th from 5:00 to 8:00. PLEASE buy your wristbands, meal tickets, and vendor tickets during our presale. You will save money, and it helps us so much with our accurate food planning. Pre Sales prices are available from September 6th through September 17th. Purchase using the QR code.

Thank you to our planning committee parents! Our plans are well underway. However, we ALSO need help the DAY OF the event by many, many parents. PLEASE check out this sign up to see how you can help the day of our event. Even ONE hour of your time will make our event a great success!

[Click Here to Volunteer](#)



ELC & DRAPER ONE  
**FALL FESTIVAL**  
September 20th 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
PRESALES NOW UNTIL SEPTEMBER 17TH

WRISTBANDS: \$5 PRESALE (\$8 at the door)  
Wristbands include inflatable activities, carnival games, face painting, chalk art, and cookie decorating.

MEAL TICKET: \$8 PRESALE (\$10 at the door)  
Options are two slices of pizza (cheese or pepperoni) OR a hamburger with chips. Meals come with water.

TICKETS for D3 Fundraising: \$1 = 1 ticket.  
Choose between items such as snow cones, popcorn, dirty sodas, ice cream, and cotton candy. Prices vary.



For the most up to date information on our campus, click here to follow us on Facebook.



## Character Development

**READ THE CONSTITUTION!**

JOIN US AT [VIMEO.COM/AMERICANPREP](https://vimeo.com/AmericanPrep)



DRAPER 1 IS CELEBRATING  
TUESDAY, SEP. 17TH  
WATCH LIVE AT 12 PM

### WHY READ WITH US?

To become more knowledgeable about our nation's founding document, the Constitution, and be able to discuss the American Ideals of Liberty, Equality, Democracy, Rule of Law, and Patriotism.

### Save the date FIFTH GRADE!

We have our first Character Development event "Friendship" on FRIDAY September 13th during our school day (12:30 until 3:15). We LOVE to have parent volunteers that day. Watch for a sign up from your teachers soon!

### CONSTITUTION DAY

Our annual Constitution Day is coming up on September 17th at 12:00 noon. Please see the attached flyer to see how to tune in and read with us that day!

## Virtual Parent Empowerment

### Cellphone and Internet Safety:

Join us on Tuesday, September 10th at 7 pm for a night of social media and internet information. We will examine our personal internet use and habits and learn how to help the teens in our lives navigate the world wide web with purpose. We will review recent studies that link mental health with cellphone usage.

This is appropriate to watch with your students.

*Join Zoom Here*



## Now Hiring



We are looking for someone to fill a 4-6 grade instructor position at Draper 1, as well as a Kindergarten Instructor at the ELC. If you want to join our team or know someone who would be a great fit to teach our students, send them our way. Click here to apply.

### 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.

### 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. You can learn more about the state assessments administered at American Prep and find the testing schedules for your student's campus by following this link. <https://www.americanprep.org/state-assessments/>.

### 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](http://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.