

## February

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### February 8<sup>th</sup>

Elementary Late Work  
Deadline

### February 8<sup>th</sup>

Early Dismissal  
12:05, 12:20, 12:35

### February 11<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>

Staff Appreciation Week

### February 15<sup>th</sup>

Spirit Day

### February 18<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>

No School Mid-Winter Break

### February 28<sup>th</sup>

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Maturation Night  
5:30pm

### March 1<sup>st</sup>

Secondary PTC-No School for  
ONLY Secondary

\*\*\*\*\*Spirit Day - Students are allowed to wear any of our APA Spirit Apparel shirts, (no hats please). Students still need to wear their uniform socks, shoes, and skirts/pants/jumpers.

The APA Spirit Store will now be open every WEDNESDAY. Please use this day to drop in and purchase needed uniform and spirit items! We are open during two different time slots: 8:15 AM - 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM - 1:30 PM



Monthly Builders Theme:

I am a Builder when I use words to encourage others

Those boys! I thought they were being disobedient.... I had an important meeting the other night and I asked them to have the dishes done before I came home later that night. I hurried into the house only to find the kitchen looking exactly the way it looked when I left earlier that evening. Why hadn't they done what I had asked? I was annoyed and had no problem letting them know that there would be consequences by using some *discourteous* and *discouraging* words. But, actually, I learned a lesson that night when they explained that they didn't get the dishes done because the neighbor had called and needed their immediate help. They had chosen the better choice and I had assumed the worst! I had jumped to the wrong conclusion instead of using courteous words to ask questions and learn about what was really going on. This is a valuable lesson to learn. No matter what the situation, what others may say, or how we might feel at the time, we must assume that everyone is acting with positive intent and keep our words courteous and encouraging.

## All School News

### Staff Appreciation Week

Staff Appreciation week is coming up! We are looking for Volunteers to decorate staff doors. For more info, check out the Signup Genius link. Please sign up at link below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0b4eaaa62fa6fe3-staff>

**There are still spots open for door decorating. Decorate a door and let's show our appreciation for our teachers and staff! (You don't have to know the teacher or staff member to sign up!)**

### Order your yearbook

Yearbooks may be purchased online at [YBPay.lifetouch.com](http://YBPay.lifetouch.com) Deadline is April 4, 2019.

Please use the follow yearbook ID codes:

Elementary code: 12746219

Secondary code: 12389719

Extra options for yearbooks are available as well. Look for the yearbook flier in your Family Communication Envelope or attached to the newsletter.

## Elementary News

### Grades K-12: Parent/Student Handbook Highlight-Valentine's Day :

During the month of February, we focus on the Builder's themes of "caring and sharing" and "befriending others". We encourage students to show they care by doing good deeds for others all during the month. PARENTS DO NOT NEED TO PROVIDE VALENTINES or TREATS, but if students wish to exchange Valentine cards or treats they may do so within the following guidelines:

1. All of his/her classmates must be included in the giving. The teacher will provide a class list prior to the designated day.
2. Any treats given must be able to be placed in a backpack and taken home, (i.e. no doughnuts, cupcakes, or cookies – only wrapped treats like a piece of candy.)
3. Students will be instructed to place any cards or treats they receive in their backpack to be taken home and enjoyed there.

### Academic Update – Jeans Day Guidelines UPDATE

We are excited to announce some updates to our Jeans Day incentive! For families new to APA, students have an opportunity to earn a "Jeans Day" by having no missing work and by being prepared for all of their classes for two weeks. If your student has earned this reward, they will have a "Jeans Day Coupon" attached to their learning plan the day before this event occurs.

The adjusted guidelines for this reward are as follows:

1. This is not a "free dress day." Students may NOT wear skinny jeans, jeggings, leggings or athletic wear.
2. Approved uniform shirts (with vest/or sweater) can be worn with full-length **DENIM JEANS IN ANY COLOR** (in good repair with no holes) or khakis
3. No capris or shorts.
4. Regular uniform shoes must be worn; "crazy" socks can be worn.
5. Students who have NOT earned this privilege, but come in jeans, will be sent home to change.

### December K-6 Builder Award Recipients:

K-Hatch AM	McKinley Morris	K-Hatch PM	Michelle Cazacu
K-Rambow AM	Audrey Poole	K-Rambow PM	Maya Hulet
1st-Abbott	Olivia Papa	1st-Freer	Cali Kiss
1st-Torres	Almir Ionov	2nd-de Jesus	Vanessa Ticay
2nd-Harris	Caliyah Layao	2nd-Gomez	Giana Huqueriza
3rd-Call	Carissa Leal	3rd-Deaver	Joel Hurley
3rd-Nunn	Luke Park	3rd-Robison	Emma Rodriguez
3rd-Telfer	Ava Kim	4th-Burgess	Azalea Villalpando
4th-Gunn	Wangel Matios	4th-Hayes	Madisyn Bruschke
4th-Morano	Cecilia Glenn	4th-Rivenbark	Mykah Matthews
5th-Braybrooke	Christian Velarde	5th-Carter	Oryan Certain
5th-Gibson	Lucas Vannatta	5th-Gwin	Karapet Alaverdyan
5th-Pruitt	Issac Buxton	6th-Conti	Ashley Hitchcock
6th-Gibson	Alissa Bialas	6th-Holloman	Regan Rainwater
6th-Ryan	Justin Dominguez	K-3 Teacher	Ms. Durbin
4-6 Teacher	Mrs. Gunn		

### Math Night

Our 2nd annual Math Night partnered with Mathnasium was a huge success. Thank you to all of the amazing volunteers who helped. Thank you to all of our APA families who came with their students to support our great school. Congratulations to Wayne Anderson who won a \$50 AMAZON gift card! If you missed out look for this event next year!

## Secondary News

All 9th graders will be receiving an Academic Plan during 4th period on Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup>. According to Nevada Revised Statute 388.205, development of an academic plan is required in grade 9. Please review the information and identify educational goals and career interests for your student. The plan is a typical progression, but changes may be made depending on individual student ability and performance. If you would like to schedule an appointment to review your child's academic plan in more detail, please email Ms. Steiner at [shannon.steiner@apavegas.org](mailto:shannon.steiner@apavegas.org) to arrange a time. Otherwise, please sign and return the Academic Plan to your child's 4th period Character Development teacher by Friday, February 15<sup>th</sup>.

All students in grades 9, 10, and 11 will have an opportunity to review their transcripts next week during Character Development. The student transcript is a critical piece as students prepare for college, and want to ensure 100% accuracy. If you would like to review a digital copy of your child's transcript, please email Ms. Steiner at [shannon.steiner@apavegas.org](mailto:shannon.steiner@apavegas.org).

On Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, all students in 11<sup>th</sup> grade will be taking the ACT. This college and career readiness assessment is now a part of graduation requirements in the state of Nevada. Information on preparing for this test has been shared with all 11<sup>th</sup> graders and 11<sup>th</sup> grade parents via email. If you have questions, please contact Ms. Steiner.

## Clubs

### **PARENTS NIGHT OUT - February 14th**

Valentine's day is almost here! You have the opportunity to drop the kids off at APA from 4pm-8pm so they can have fun while you enjoy an evening out. APA's Entrepreneur Club will watch your kids as part of a fundraiser for Project 150 and the Junior class. You have fun, the kids have fun and Project 150 is supported. Cost is \$5 per student/per hour. See flyer in this week's newsletter for all the details. If you have any questions, please contact [heather.winovich@apavegas.org](mailto:heather.winovich@apavegas.org) or [frank.grealish@apavegas.org](mailto:frank.grealish@apavegas.org). Waivers will be required when students are dropped off.

### **Pizza Thursday**

Be sure to pre-order your Marco's pizza for Thursday near the secondary office every morning or at lunch. We currently offer Cheese and Pepperoni and the cost is \$2 per slice or 3 for \$5. This fundraiser is brought to you by your speech and debate team. If you have any questions please email Tiara Bergquist at [tiara.bergquist@apavegas.org](mailto:tiara.bergquist@apavegas.org). Thank you for your support!

### **CLASSICS CLUB CANDY FUNDRAISER**

Candy Grams fundraiser January 30<sup>th</sup>- Feb 14<sup>th</sup>: Classics club is selling candy grams for valentine's day. All valentines are prints of hand drawn calligraphy art by the club members. \$1 for a valentine with a fun sized candy bar or bag of Takis attached. \$1.50 for a valentine with a full-sized candy bar or large bag of spicy chips attached. \$30 for a class set that includes a valentine for your teacher and instructor! Sales will be before and after school next to the elementary offices and during lunch times in the cafeteria, cash or check accepted. Valentines will be delivered the day after they are ordered.

Please contact Ms. Williams if you have any questions.

[neoma.williams@apavegas.org](mailto:neoma.williams@apavegas.org)

### **New Improv Club**

Secondary students interested in joining our APA Improv group, "Off the Cuff," are welcome to come to our first meeting on Friday, Feb 15th in the Atrium. Students who took the Winterim Improv class have no club fee, new participants have a \$15 performance shirt fee. You can pay at the BANKER or our ONLINE Banker on the school website. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Tintle . [annie.tintle@apavegas.org](mailto:annie.tintle@apavegas.org)

### **Improv Night!**

APA Unscripted, Thursday, February 28th, 6:00 pm in the Atrium. Tickets are \$5 at the door, we will have concessions and plenty of laughter to go around!

### **Hip Hop is BACK!!!**

Who: APA K-12th graders

When: Every Saturday from March 2<sup>nd</sup> – April 27<sup>th</sup>

Time: 11:00am-2:30pm

(with the exception of 4/13 for Spring Break week when NO CLASS will be held!)

Showcase April 27<sup>th</sup>

Cost: \$80.00 (staff discount available. see link below)

Space is limited!! There will only be

(20) K-3 slots, (30) 4th-6th slots and (30) 7th-12th slots available for the workshop!

Sign up below!!

Public Pricing Page:

<https://secureinstantpayments.com/sip/cart/event.php?EID=3571>

Staff Discount Page:

<https://secureinstantpayments.com/sip/cart/event.php?EID=3572>

Any questions or concerns, please feel free to email [jamese.bell@apavegas.org](mailto:jamese.bell@apavegas.org)

## Athletics

### Cheer

APA's Varsity Cheer and Stunt Team will be performing at their last competition on Saturday, February 9<sup>th</sup>. Come and support them at the USA Nevada Open at the Cox Pavilion (4505 S Maryland Pkwy, Las Vegas, NV 89119). Arrive by 1:30 PM so you don't miss them!

### Basketball – High School

**JV's Win Tournament:** The American Prep JV Basketball Team played their best basketball of the year this week in capturing the Green Valley Christian Basketball Tournament on Tuesday, Feb 5<sup>th</sup>. The Eagles, led by Kevin Jex, Ryder Bryan, Braxton Leo and Tournament MVP, Derek Lawver bested Founders Academy and Green Valley Christian to reach the finals. They outlasted the boys from New Horizons in overtime to bring home the trophy. Good job EAGLES!



### Basketball – Middle School

The regular season is over and all five Middle School teams are prepping for the playoffs that begin on Saturday. The schedule of all playoff games had not been released as of Wednesday, Feb 6<sup>th</sup>.

#### GAMES THIS WEEK:

Wed, Feb 6	5:15 pm	APA JV Boys vs American Heritage at APA HOME
	6:30 pm	APA Varsity Girls at Doral Academy - AWAY
Thur, Feb 7		NO GAMES
Fri, Feb 8		NO GAMES
Sat, Feb 9 -	8-11 am	Elementary Basketball
	11:30 am - 5 pm	- Charter League Playoffs - TBA

#### LOCATIONS

Doral Academy - Red Rock - 610 Crossbridge Dr, Las Vegas, NV 89138

### Basketball – Elementary

Elementary Basketball (Girls and Boys 3<sup>rd</sup> thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade) will continue this Sat, Feb 9, 2019 (8am to 11am) in the APA Gym. This Saturday we be teaching the team to play on both offense and defense. We will also be teaching the skills and drills necessary for the fundamental basketball participation. We will be playing our league games. **There is still time to join.** ([dave.bliss@apavegas.org](mailto:dave.bliss@apavegas.org))

### Boys Varsity Volleyball SIGN-UPS

We have had a good number of sign-ups for both levels (HS and MS) of Boys' VB. LOOK FOR THE SIGN-UP SHEETS AROUND THE LUNCH ROOMS. FIRST MEETING WAS HELD FEB 6<sup>th</sup> AT 2:30 PM IN GYM.

### MOUNTAIN BIKERS' CLUB -

IF YOU HAVE INTEREST IN APA'S NEWLY-ORGANIZED BIKERS' CLUB - SEE COACH BLISS ([dave.bliss@apavegas.org](mailto:dave.bliss@apavegas.org))

### Soccer

If you are interested in Middle School or High School Soccer, please sign-in on the sheets on Coach Manning's Office in the gym. We will have another organizational meeting on Tuesday February 12<sup>th</sup> in the gym.

### GOLF

IS ON THE HORIZON. **BE ON THE ALERT FOR MORE INFORMATION NEXT WEEK**