

September

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September 12th

K-6 Builder Assembly
8:05am

September 13th

Spirit Day***

September 14th

Senior Sunrise
6:00am

September 19th

K-6 SWYK Assembly
8:05am

September 27th

Professional Development-No School

Banker Hours:

7:30am - 8:30am and 2:30pm - 3:30pm M, T, F
7:30am - 8:30am and 1:30pm - 2:30pm W, T

***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. Spirit wear can be purchased online, at: <http://www.americanprep.org/store/>



Monthly Builders Theme:

Build with Enthusiasm

On behalf of American Preparatory Academy, we are happy to welcome you to the 2019-20 school year! We are so excited to have our students back in our classrooms. We love seeing old friends, making new ones, and learning many new things.

The builder theme of the month for September is “Building with Enthusiasm”. Enthusiasm is in the air! Students are radiating energy as they arrive each day with smiles on their faces. Staff creates an enthusiastic atmosphere as we do something we love every day and serve a purpose greater than ourselves. We have had the pleasure of sharing your enthusiasm as we have greeted you at Parent Orientations last week. Thank you for your enthusiastic support as we work towards getting everything exactly as it should be.

We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure our students achieve their highest potential. As partners, we want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities as we have outlined in our Parent-Student Handbook. Please consider the many ways that you can volunteer and become involved this year. Studies show that parental involvement in your student’s education is one of the strongest indicators of student achievement. We feel privileged to be a part of this school family. We thank you for your support and look forward to a wonderful year.

All School News

Forgotten Items

Lunches, learning plans, instruments, docket, pencil pouches.... Bring all forgotten items to the front office, with their name clearly displayed on the item. Items will be deposited into the Elementary, Jr. High or High School bin in the front office. Between 10:00 - 10:30am, bins will be distributed to the appropriate office. (High school lunches, grade 9-12, will be placed in the HS cafeteria on top of the microwaves.) Students will be responsible for coming to the office to look for their forgotten items. Please talk with your students about where they can find their items. Thank you so much for your patience and your support to APA.

APA'S ANNUAL BUILDERS CARNIVAL

We are getting ready for another exciting Builders Carnival this year which will take place on FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11th! If you or your business would like to be a sponsor, donate raffle prizes or check off volunteer hours by purchasing prizes for the prize booth, PLEASE EMAIL FSO@APAVEGAS.ORG. Thank you for your corporation!!!

All School News

Banker Hours and Update

Hours:

7:30am - 8:30am and 2:30pm - 3:30pm M, T, F

7:30am - 8:30am and 1:30pm - 2:30pm W, T

Parents now have the ability to pay fees through infinite campus portal and the app. You may also pay activity, athletic, and other consumable fees by going to the optional payment tab and selecting the respective fee you would like to pay for. Please note there is a 5% additional fee for online payments from both online and paying with credit card at the school. The banker can accept cash and checks.

You can pay for name tags, docketts, etc

How to pay fees on Infinite Campus (on computer):

Go to <https://www.infinitecampus.com>

> Click on '**LOGIN**'

> District Name: **American Prep**, State: **Nevada**

> Select '**Parent/Student**' under American Preparatory Academy Sunset NV

> Select '**Campus Parent**'

> Log in to your account

> Select '**Fees**' from the menu on the left side

> Select the correct child for which you are paying the fee for. Click on your child's name/picture, on the top right, and select the correct child

> Select '**My Accounts**' on the right side

> Select '**Optional Payments**'

> Find the fee you would like to pay for

> Select '**Add to Cart**'

> Click '**My Cart**' (you may have to scroll back to top of page) to proceed to payment.

> Enter credit card information

> Submit payment

****You may add multiple items/fees to multiple children. All items will show up in the same Cart with the child's name beside it. Once all items are put into the cart, you may submit payment.**

How to pay fees on Infinite Campus (on phone/tablet):

> Please download or update the correct APP, below is the link for apple products (Campus Parent by Infinite Campus, Inc. <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/campus-parent/id1384542785>)

> District Name: **American Prep**, State: **Nevada**

> Log in to your account

> **Click on the 3 bars on the top left (Menu)**

> Select '**Fees**'

> Select the correct child for which you are paying the fee for. Click on your child's name/picture, on the top right, and select the correct child

> **Click on the icon (looks like a credit card) to the right of the cart icon.**

> Select '**Optional Payments**'

> Find the fee you would like to pay for

> Select '**Add to Cart**'

> Click '**Back**' on the top left corner

> Click the Cart image to proceed to payment screen

> Enter credit card information

> Submit payment

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All School News

Attendance

If your student will be absent from school, please email attendance@apavegas.org. You may also call the office at 702-970-6800. However, please note that email is the preferred way to communicate attendance.

Family Communication Envelopes

Family Communication Envelopes will be going home with K-8 students today. These envelopes are given to the youngest sibling in your family. The envelope contains our APA weekly newsletter as well as additional, upcoming items. Students in high school may pick these up at the secondary office.

Parents, please sign the envelope each Thursday evening and return it the next day on Friday. Elementary students return envelopes to their teacher. Junior high students can drop theirs off in the bin located in the secondary office. Parents may record their volunteer hours on the front of this envelope. Please contact Mrs. Lee at heidi.lee@apavegas.org if your 'youngest sibling' student (K-6 only) did not bring home an envelope last week.

STUDENT ASSESSMENTS DAYS

WIDA Screenings	-August 19, 2019-September 20, 2019
Brigance Screening	-August 19, 2019-September 20, 2019
NWEA/MAPS (1-3)	-August 5 th , 2019 – October 18, 2019
PSAT (10-11)	-October 16, 2019
NWEA/MAPS (K-3)	-November 18, 2019-February 7, 2020
NWEA/MAPS (K-3)–	-March 16, 2020 –May 29, 2020
SBAC Testing (3-8)	-February 20, 2020 - May 22, 2020
Science (5 & 8)	-February 21, 2019 - May 20, 2020
National Latin Exam	-March 11, 2020
ACT Aspire (9-10 Option 2)	-March 30, 2020-May 22, 2020
Core Knowledge Testing (1-6)	-May 13, 2020 – May 20, 2020
Science Assessment (5, 8, & 10)	-February 20, 2020 - May 20, 2020
ACT (11)	-February 25, 2020
	-Make up test March 10, 2020
WIDA Proficiency Assessment (K)	-January 6, 2020 – February 28, 2020
(1-12)	-January 21, 2019 – February 28, 2020

Consequences of Irregularities in Test Administration

Students and staff members who engage in or cause “irregularities in test administration” or “irregularities in test security” will be subject to disciplinary actions. Staff may be terminated or have their educators license suspended or revoked. Students may face expulsion from school.

Any school staff member, licensed or unlicensed, who is found to have engaged in one of the behaviors identified above as an “irregularity in test administration” or any behavior not listed that violates the standardized conditions under which the test is to be administered and scored, will be subject to administrative and disciplinary action consistent with NRS Chapter 391.

Elementary News

We are so excited for another amazing school year! Thank you so much for all of your support and hard work so far!

4th-6th Shoes

We will be changing the 4th-6th grade uniform policy regarding shoes this year. We have found over the years that 4th-6th grade students wear out their dress shoes very quickly if they do not change their shoes for PE and recess. To help cut down on the pairs of shoes families buy, 4th-6th grade students will be allowed to wear any solid black shoes to school. The shoes must be solid black however, boots are still NOT allowed.

Secondary News

Advanced Placement Exam Fee

If your student is enrolled in an Advanced Placement class this year, the exam fee payment deadline has been moved up to November 1, due to new College Board guidelines. If you have already paid your student's exam fee at orientation or back to school night you are covered. For those who have not, all fees are posted in Infinite Campus. If you believe you may be eligible for a fee waiver, please contact your student's counselor.

College Acceptances!

We are so excited that some of our seniors are already being accepted to college. We will be tracking all acceptances and sharing the information during morning announcements. Seniors and parents, please let your counselor know about any and all college acceptances. We are so proud of our students!

College Visits

APA will host a small college fair for 10th, 11th and 12th graders on Wednesday, October 9th during 4th period. Additionally, admission reps from CSN, UNR, UNLV, Dixie State and Grand Canyon will all be on campus in the coming weeks to meet with seniors. BYU will be hosting Admissions presentations in the Las Vegas community on September 24th and 25th. Please contact your student's counselor for more information.

ASVAB

American Prep will administer the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) test on Friday, October 4th from 9am-12pm. There is no school for secondary that day as it is during Parent Teacher Conferences. If your student is considering joining the military, please contact Ms. Steiner at shannon.steiner@apavegas.org to sign up for this helpful assessment! It is open to students in grades 10-12.

Athletics

HS Girls' Volleyball

The HS Girls' Varsity Volleyball team (0-2) has played a couple of games already and continue to improve. Likewise, the JV team (0-2) continues to improve after two matches.

- Friday, September 6th, the Eagles will host Founders for both JV and Varsity at 5:00 pm and 6:00 pm respectively.
- Saturday, September 7th, the Varsity Eagles will play in their first SWIAC Tournament (8:00 am) at Somerset Losee - 4650 Losee Rd, LV 89081

Next week will feature two away games:

- Wednesday, Sep 11th at Pinecrest-Cadence - 225 Grand Cadence Dr, Henderson, NV 89015 JV @ 5:00 pm Varsity @ 6:00 pm
- Thursday, Sep 12th at Doral Academy - 610 Crossbridge Dr, Las Vegas, NV 89138 JV @ 4:00 pm and Varsity @ 5:00 pm

MS Girls' Volleyball

The MS Lady Eagles (2-0) won their first two games yesterday at Freedom Classical and will play again on Saturday at Mater Bonanza (4760 E Bonanza Rd, Las Vegas, NV 89110).

- Next week the MS Eagles will open the Charter Season with games at APA on Sat, Sept 14th. Time TBA

HS/MS Cross Country

Despite the heat, The Eagle runners have been practicing hard and will open their season this Saturday, September 7th at Sunset Park (2601 E Sunset Rd, LV 89120). They will then follow that up with a run on Monday at the NCSAA opener at Cornerstone Park (1600 Wigwam Pkwy, LV 89074). The Eagles are the reigning NCSAA champs!

HS/MS/ELE Soccer

We are still adding anyone who would like to practice with our Soccer Team in anticipation of next spring's Charter Soccer Season.

- At Desert Breeze Field #1

MS - (6th grade - 8th grade)- Monday (4:00 - 5:30 pm) and Wednesday (3:00 - 4:30 pm)

HS - (9th grade - 12th grade) - Tuesday (4:00 - 5:30 pm) and Wednesday (3:00 - 4:30 pm)

- At APA Gym

ELE - (3rd grade - 5th grade) - Wednesday and Thursday - 6:00 pm to 7:15 pm in the APA gym.

Please make sure you get your physical and fee paid on Infinite Campus. Each student will need to bring a soccer ball, shin guards and a full water bottle to practice. Please wear white shorts and white socks. The students will receive two practice shirts next week. Any questions - see Coach Bliss.

Tennis (\$150)

TENNIS TEAM MEETING SEPTEMBER 5th @ 6:00 pm in the APA GYM. EACH PLAYER NEEDS TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY A PARENT, GUARDIAN OR FAMILY ADULT

Lacrosse

We are excited to launch a lacrosse program at APA. Although the official season of lacrosse season doesn't begin until January, we wanted to get things rolling a little sooner. There will be an official meeting soon, but here are a few things to know about our program: Mr. Ernie Elliott will be the Manager and the coach will be Steve Herman.

We will be hosting a lesson/skills clinic on lesson/practice tomorrow (Thursday 9/5/19) at 6 pm at Oxford Park in Summerlin (700 N Anasazi Dr, Las Vegas NV 89144). It will be a great opportunity to meet and talk to the head coach Steve "Worm"

Herman and get some lacrosse-skill work.

Some useful information for those interested in purchasing equipment— Lacrosse Pro Shop is a local business to try on and purchase gear. <https://www.vegaslacrosse.org>

Hope to see you Thursday, but if you can't make it and still want to play - call 702-238-6787, email lacrosse@apavegas.org or see Coach Bliss.

Mountain Biking Club

If you are interested in joining APA's great new adventure, let Coach Bliss put you in touch with one of our fastest-growing clubs.

Victory Martial Arts

If your youngsters might be interested in joining one of APA's newest after-school activities. Call 702-251-5425 and Coach Matt Rogers will set you up.

Archery

If you have any interest in participating in the APA Archery Club, let Coach Bliss know.

Clubs

Pizza Thursday

Be sure to bring money for Marco's pizza on Thursdays! Pizza is available for 5th-12th graders. For 5th and 6th grade, a cart will come around to offer pizza to students that wish to buy. 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. Thank you for your support!

Elementary Speech and Debate

We are excited to extend our speech and debate club to the 4th and 5th grade students that are interested. We will meet on Thursdays from 2:30-3:30 in room 204. See you this Thursday! Club fee \$40. Pay to the banker. Check out our instagram @apa.nsd and more information can be found at <https://sites.google.com/apavegas.org/speechanddebate>

Middle School Speech and Debate

Welcome back! The Middle School (6-8) Speech and Debate meetings will be held on Thursdays from 2:30-3:30 in room 204. We will see you this Thursday! Club fee \$100. Pay to the banker. Check out our instagram @apa.nsd and more information can be found at <https://sites.google.com/apavegas.org/speechanddebate>

High School Speech and Debate

Our High School Team is back at it with a Shadow tournament (Varsity only) on September 7th at Coral Academy! Volunteer judges are welcome to come. All speech and debate judging counts as double volunteer hours! Meetings are held every Friday from 3:30-4:30 in room 204. Club fee \$100. Pay to the banker. Check out our instagram @apa.nsd and more information can be found at <https://sites.google.com/apavegas.org/speechanddebate>

Key Club

Key Club will have their first meeting and social on Monday, Sept 9 at 3:15pm in room 222. Pizza will be provided. Come learn about great community service projects and meet other like-minded students! A short parent meeting will follow at 4pm. If you have questions, contact Ms. Steiner at shannon.steiner@apavegas.org

Dance Fitness

Dance Fitness is a new after school activity here at APA for grades 4-12. It is a wonderful way for your students to get a little extra fitness in as they dance around with their friends. Dance Fitness is every Tuesday from 3:30-4:30, taught by Ms. Thunell a certified fitness instructor and dance teacher here at APA. Fees are \$30 for the quarter or \$100 for the entire year. Everyone is welcome to come this next Tuesday the 10th and check it out. (Teachers included!!)