

TO: KHS Parents & Ohana, Guardians, Friends (03/15/2024)

KALANI High School

WEEKLY E-BULLETIN

IMPORTANT DATES...

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| 1) Friday, March 15 | Friday Night Lights @ Kaiser High School |
| 4) Sunday, March 17 | Junior Prom @ Koolau Ballroom 5:00pm – 10:00pm |
| 5) Tuesday, March 26 | Holiday : Kuhio Day |
| 6) Friday, March 29 | Holiday : Good Friday |
| 7) Sunday, April 21 | Band Concert @Roosevelt |
| 8) Sunday, May 19 | Senior Prom : Date Confirmed |
| 9) Tuesday, May 21 | Graduation : Date Confirmed |
| | Spring Break : March 18 – March 22 |

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Vision: Character. Compassion. Community.

**Mission : We at Kalani High School create opportunities to discover our passions, purpose, and personal pursuits.
“A vision is not just a picture of what could be; it is an appeal to our better selves, a call to become something more.”**

*Ne'epapa: Educating our Future
To move as a whole or unit; moving or working together in unison*

Kindness 101 : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5MPVjhw2yDM>

Friday Night Prime time: Inclusionary Basketball League

A revitalized partnership between the University of Hawaii's College of Education and public schools across Oahu is changing the name of the game when it comes to who can participate in high school sports. Friday Night Lights is an event that provides opportunities for students with disabilities to participate with their peers in organized sports. It gives them the experience of being student-athletes, while playing in a competitive environment with teammates.

Furthermore, FNL promotes school spirit and a sense of belonging for all our students.

Dr. Nathan Murata, Dean of the University of Hawaii College of Education, approached Kalani and Roosevelt to do a home and away basketball game during the program's first two years. Since then, the program has shown enormous growth as other schools have seen the program's success. Today, multiple games are played at many different sites. Parents have been our biggest supporters. They are grateful for our efforts to provide the 'typical' experience for their kids. They appreciate the support of the teachers and the student body. Parents and teachers leave with tears in their eyes as they see magic happen with every game. It brings joy to the players, and all in attendance.

Please join us as we celebrate our student-athletes and the spirit of the game

Tonight's game : Kalani vs. Kaiser @ Kaiser 6:30pm

Congratulations

Team 3008

The team had a good showing in San Jose during the Silicon Valley Regional. Furthermore, Team 3008 won the Engineering Inspiration Award That award qualifies them for the World Championships in Houston, Texas



Congratulations

PAAC (Pacific and Asian Affairs Council) Club

PAAC Hawaii's Academic WorldQuest competition – 2nd Place overall
Please congratulate the following team members on their accomplishments
Jayden Tran Ivan Tse Isabella Lenardo Bodhi Mylett

34th annual Physics Olympics

We had teams from all over the island including one team from Maui.

1st in Airplane Accuracy and Cargo Delivery

Kate Kaneshiro Liliana Lisama Joanne Liu

1st in Bridge Build

Logan Smith

2nd in Bridge Build

Man Fung Zhou

3rd in Cantilevers

Chloe Ho Latasha Hui Rissa Liu Man Fung Zhou

This is the first year we have had anyone qualify for the bridge build.

The bridge builders qualified to enter a bridge in the international event at Kent State University April 26+27.

Top prize is a 50% scholarship to Kent State.

Logan Smith's bridge efficiency is 8th in the country.

Others Participants

Chloe Ho *Bridge* Rissa Liu *Bridge* Latasha Ho *Bridge* Daniel Shiraki *Bridge + Comp*
Andy Chen *Comp* Renjie Chen *Comp* Aston Birmingham *Comp* Jesse Jong *Comp*

Congratulations

Kalani 4.2: LifeSmarts : Hawaii State Champion

Andy Chen: Highest Score in the 1st round assessment in Personal Finance

Jiaorong (Michelle) He: 2nd Highest Score in the 1st round assessment in Consumer Rights and Responsibility

Kyla Iglesia: Key role in Buzzer Rounds of the competition

Brandon Tran: 100% Online Assessment in Environment / Highest Score in the 1st round assessment in Environment

Mason Vuong: Highest Score in the 1st round assessment in Technology

Kalani had two of the four teams qualify for the 2024 LifeSmarts State Finals at UHManoa Ballroom. Our students did a great job representing Kalani High School. They brought home many individual awards but more importantly was the way they demonstrated sportsmanship and gratitude to the event organizers, judges, and sponsors.

Our younger team, Kalani 5.0, did a good job even though they went into the competition with, the required, four team members rather than having a fifth member to be able to utilize, placing a respectable Fourth Place.

Our second team, Kalani 4.2 began the competition as the top seeded team in the competition had a slow start but were able to make a comeback in the Final Buzzer round to win the State title, earning a trip to represent the State of Hawaii and Kalani High School at the National Championships in San Diego this April.

Our teams are 98% student run. They took the reins and scheduled the team meetings and practice sessions. They utilized the provided resources to learn the topical material of the competition and made sure they met the deadlines for the preliminary qualifying rounds.

Kalani 5.0; Fourth Place Overall

Zhoulin Chen: 100% Qualifying Online Assessment in Technology

Leala Florendo: Key role in Buzzer Rounds of the competition

Aileen Kang: 100%100% Qualifying Online Assessment in Consumer Rights and Responsibility

Kouki Oda: Highest Score of all contestants in the 1st round topical assessment in Health and Safety

***Congratulations
Science Fair***

Congratulations to the following student scientists.
Their science fair projects will be advancing to the 67th Hawaii State Science & Engineering Fair
Neal Blaisdell Exhibition Hall on April 1st through the 3rd

**Leilani Phan Kate Kaneshiro Chloe Ho Ashton Birmingham
Man Fung Zhuo Daniel Shiraki Latasha Hui Renjie Chen Andy Chen**

Science Fair Special Awards

Man Fung Zhuo

Recipient of the NASA Earth System Science Award

The goal of the NASA Earth System Science Award is to increase awareness regarding the importance of scientific research in the area of Earth system science, the study of the complex system and the interconnections that occur on Earth.

It is presented for the project that best demonstrates insight into Earth's interconnected spheres.

Leilani Phan

Recipient of the Ricoh Sustainable Development Award (RSDA) Award

RICOH USA is honored to provide a Ricoh Sustainable Development Award (RSDA) Certificate to recognize Leilani Phan whose outstanding project addresses social and environmental challenges and a meaningful solution for a more sustainable future.

Andy Chen and Renjie Chen

Recipients of the Office of Naval Research - US Navy/US Marine Corps Award

The Naval Science Awards Program (NSAP) recognizes the accomplishments of Andy Chen and Renjie Chen in producing and presenting quality science and engineering projects.

Daniel Shiraki and Kate Kaneshiro

Recipients of the United States Air Force Award

The Air Force Research Laboratory is proud to support Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) initiatives for our nation's youth. The Air Force is committed to providing opportunities to develop the future leaders in STEM through venues such as Science and Engineering Fairs. As the nation's most technically advanced forces, the Air and Space Forces recognize the critical need to foster and increase STEM talent to remain on the cutting edge of technology and is proud to present Daniel Shiraki and Kate Kaneshiro with this award

Latasha Hui

Recipient of the Association for Women Geoscientists Award

The Association for Women Geoscientists (AWG) is pleased to provide an Award Certificate and an honorary AWG membership for the current year to girls and young women (including cis-gender, transgender, gender fluid and non-binary persons) whose projects, in the opinion of the judges, exemplify high standards of innovativeness and scientific excellence in the geosciences and/or Earth sciences.

Congratulations

Kalani Association of Students

President- Shea Brown Vice President- Yuna Otsuka
Secretary- Abby Nii Treasurer- Taylor Wong Historian- Naomi Stremick

Class of 2025

President- Mason Nagata Vice President- Calli Amine
Corresponding Secretary- Jinie Ho Treasurer- Kyra Kugiyama

Class of 2026

President- Kylie Awakuni Vice President- Kira-May Nosse
Corresponding Secretary- Christopher Tam Recording Secretary- Sara Lau Treasurer- Sadie Nakao

Class of 2027

President- John Phillips Vice President- Laine Ono Treasurer- Destiny Nguyen

Congratulations

Urban Planning

State Urban Plan Championship - Kalani's Urban Planning Team : 2nd Place

Kyle Haubner Kainoa Mackowiak Salvador Soto Gheresi Brandon Watanabe Takehiro Yaguchi

Our team delivered a brilliant design proposal and presentation to the industry panel.

The panelists indicated it was a toss up between Kalani and Punahou but gave the win to Punahou based on their smoother performance in the Q & A portion of the presentation. At this moment we are waiting to hear if Kalani will receive an

"at-large" bid to the Urban Land Institute's National Competition in May.

Coaches : Shaun Mitsuda and Mike Zane

Much thanks to Kenny Okawa, Chase Sumida, for their help in preparing our team for the state competition

Congratulations

Kalani's Science Olympiad team

They competed in the Medalist Division, Windward Regional at the Windward Community College.

They finished second out of eight teams and qualified for the state tournament on April 6th.

1st place Chemistry Lab: Andy Chen & Zhoulin Chen

1st place Towers: Logan Smith & Alex Chan

2nd place Dynamic Planet: Eric Wong & Logan Smith

2nd place Experimental Design: Zhoulin Chen, Aileen Kang, & Donovan Morikone

2nd place Geologic Mapping: Logan Smith & Eric Wong

2nd place Wind Power: Geo Choi & Man Fung Zhuo

3rd place Flight: Xander Okata & Tomohiro Yamada

3rd place Robot Tour: Andy Chen & Zhoulin Chen

Congratulations

DECA Career Development Conference

Congratulations to all 39 Kalani DECA Chapter members who took part in this year's

DECA Career Development Conference. Thanks especially to teacher Lisa Potterton

Mahalo also to Kori Kon, Van Tran-Trimner and Tracie Kaneko-Uemura for their invaluable assistance for this event.

The results are listed below.

The following students placed as finalists in their category (top 6 in the state):

Individual Event Finalists

Entrepreneurship Series - Salvatore Virardi, Chaz Wada

Human Resources Management Series - Ryan Kim, Eric Wong

Marketing Communications Series - Hina Iketani, Brandon Tran

Team Event Finalists

Financial Services Team Decision Making - Logan Chang, Yongwoo Kang

Travel and Tourism Team Decisions Making - Hisato Aoe, Brian Sakamoto

A written exam is taken by all DECA members. The following students placed top 3 in the state:

Written Exam

Entrepreneurship Series: Second Place - Hunter Kwak Tak Hing, Third Place - Jackson Endo

Financial Services Team Decision Making: Third Place - Bree Matayoshi, Kandace Wong

Human Resources Management: First Place - Ryan Kim

Marketing Communications: First Place - Brandon Tran

Travel and Tourism Team Decisions Making: Third Place - Hisato Aoe, Brian Sakamoto

The following students are Trophy Winners (top 3 out of the 6 finalists). They are eligible for this year's International Career Development Conference.

Trophy Winners

Entrepreneurship Series - First Place: Chaz Wada

Financial Services Team Decision Making - First Place: Logan Chang, Yongwoo Kang

Human Resource Management: Third Place - Ryan Kim

Marketing Communications: First Place - Brandon Tran

Travel and Tourism Team Decisions Making: First Place - Hisato Aoe, Brian Sakamoto

Congratulations

Congratulations to the following students who are winners in the
61th annual Hawaii Regional Scholastic Art Competition!

The Gold Key award winners will have their work exhibited at the Capitol Modern on February 24th - May 6th.
Awards ceremony will be held on February 24th on the museum grounds.

Regional Gold Key winning pieces will go to the national level to compete for Gold & Silver medal awards.

9 Gold Keys & 29 Silver Keys - the highest number of awards ever!

Congratulations also to Teacher James Mosher

Atona Chan (grade 10) - 1 Gold Key, 2 Silver Keys Cindy Chong (grade 9) - 2 Gold Keys, 1 Silver Key

Sarah Ing (grade 10) - 1 Gold Key Chiejzu Matsuo (grade 11) - 1 Gold Key, 2 Silver Keys

Jane Shelverton (grade 11) - 1 Gold Key, 3 Silver Keys Marin Shiba (grade 12) - 1 Gold Key

Leona Stremick (grade 12) - 1 Gold Key, 1 Silver Key Tiffany Subramaniam (grade 12) - 1 Gold Key, 2 Silver Keys

ZephyrLynne Bird (grade 11) - 1 Silver Key Bella Eberz (grade 10) - 1 Silver Key

Ashlee Gallardo (grade 11) - 2 Silver Keys Mia Garvin (grade 11) - 2 Silver Keys

Tyler Gilliberti-Ippel (grade 12) - 1 Silver Key Emily Hashimoto (grade 9) - 1 Silver Key

Kaiyana Peterson (grade 11) - 1 Silver Key Taylor Shimamura (grade 10) - 2 Silver Keys

Vinny Slobada (grade 10) - 1 Silver Key Russet Sounthala (grade 10) - 2 Silver Keys

Elizabeth Tom (grade 10) - 1 Silver Key Sarah Wang (grade 11) - 1 Silver Key

Jessica White (grade 12) - 1 Silver Key

Photography

Congratulations to the following students for winning silver keys and honorable mentions in the Scholastic Awards

Kaya Chang (2 Awards) Sarah Ing (5 awards) Ariel Young (4 Awards)

Natalia Tagonan (3 Awards) Ziyang Chen (3 Awards)

English Class for Adults

Kalani High School is partnering with McKinley Community School for Adults (MCSA)

REGISTRATION : Registration will be at MCSA campus which is located at:

634 Pensacola Street Room 216

Phone: 808 594-0540

Registration will be from February 26th - 29th (Monday through Thursday) 8 am to 6:00 pm

This registration period will be the only time students can register before class actually starts on **March 4, 2024**.

After the 29th, individuals can still register throughout the class term at MCSA. They are welcome to join at anytime during the session, but they will get the most out of the class by registering sooner rather than later.

As part of the registration process, an assessment will need to be taken to ensure that they are at the proper level for the course. Participants should plan for 90 minutes to 2 hours to complete the registration process (taking the assessment and completing paperwork). In order to take the course the individual would need to score at a upper beginner to lower intermediate level of English competency. If you would like the course to be for a different level, please let me know.

For example at Waikiki ES their courses are for advanced English learners.

COURSE COST

\$20.00 cash only. No checks, apple pay, samsung pay, venmo, etc.

The \$20.00 fee is non refundable

TEXTBOOK

There is a textbook and workbook associated with the class. The cost of the books is \$46.00 total, payable by cash only and like the course fee, the costs for the text is non refundable.

CLASS INFORMATION

Class Time: Tuesday and Thursday 4:30 to 6:30 pm

Start Date: March 4, 2024

End Date: May 30, 2024

*The class schedule will follow the DOE schedule. So whenever Kalani HS is out for a Federal or State holiday, or Spring Break, there will not be classes. The exception would be if you do not have school due to a PD day or other school event, we would still have school as planned, unless you do not want us to hold class on that day.

Kalani High School Track and Field Improvements Project
The construction site is off-limits. Please do not enter the job site.

Mahalo to Rep. Mark Hashem, Rep. Bertrand Kobayashi and Sen. Stanley Chang for securing the necessary funds

Federal Survey Cards

Students, if you haven't already done so, please have your parents complete the Federal Impact Aid Survey Form and return the form to your period 4 class as soon as possible. More forms are available at the main office.

Your survey = money for schools. All students and schools benefit from Impact Aid.

Student Crime Stoppers

Students can also use the Student CrimeStoppers number to report crimes anonymously

(808) 955-8300

Quality Survey (SQS)

Parents/Guardians: We respectfully request a few moments of your time to complete the School Quality Survey (SQS) for Kalani High School. The SQS measures your perceptions of the safety and well-being of your child and your satisfaction and involvement/engagement with your child's school.

Your responses will be kept confidential. One survey per child.

Thank you for your time and feedback. Last day to complete the survey is March 15, 2024.

Survey may be completed by going to the link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2024SQSParent>

Sister School Partnerships – International Travel

Koyo Senior High School – Hiroshima	Hosted in August – Traveling to Hiroshima in January
Obihiro Hakuyo High School – Hokkaido	Hosted in March – Traveled to Hokkaido in July
Iwakuni High School – Yamaguchi Prefecture	Hosted in January – Traveling in March
Japan Super Science Fair – Ritsumeikan High School – Kyoto	Hosted in July – Traveled to Kyoto in Nov.
Busan Computer Science High School – Korea	Hosted in January – Traveling to Korea in summer
Chengdu Debate Competition – Traveled to China in November	

STUDENT SECTION

College and Career Center Updates

Upcoming college visits: Open to students only.

For details on the times of visits and to pick up an activity pass, stop by the College and Career Center in the library.

Check your emails : Don't miss out on scholarships, deadline reminders, missing documents from your school's admissions or financial aid offices, etc.

Check our website for more information – <https://sites.google.com/k12.hi.us/kalanicounselorscorner/college-and-career>

ATHLETICS

Baseball

Kalani 4 – Roosevelt 3

Kalani 3 – Kailua 13

Kalani 1 – Moanalua 2

March 16 vs. Farrington 11:00

March 23 @ Kaiser 11:00

March 27 vs. Castle 3:00

March 30 vs. Roosevelt 11:00

April 3 vs. Kailua 3:00

April 6 vs. Moanalua 11:00

April 10 @ Farrington 3:00

April 17 vs. Kaiser 3:00

April 20 @ Castle 11:00

Golf

March 18	Preseason	@ Makalena
March 20	Preseason	@ Barbers Point
March 25	Preseason	@ Oahu CC
April 1	Preseason	@ Pali
April 8	Eastern	@ Hawaii Prince
April 15	OIA	@ Leilehua CC
April 16	OIA	@ Leilehua CC

Judo

March 16	Preseason	TBD
March 23	Preseason	@ Kalani
April 6	OIA Team	@ Moanalua
April 13	Eastern	@ McKinley
April 20	OIA Individual	@ Leilehua
April 27	HHSAA	@ Stan Sheriff

Softball

Kalani 13 – Roosevelt 3		
Kalani 5 – Castle 6		
Kalani 18 – Kahuku 3		
Kalani 16 – Kaimuki 3		
March 15	@ Kaiser	3:00
March 19	vs. Moanalua	3:00
March 23	@ Roosevelt	3:00
March 28	vs. Castle	3:00
March 30	@ Kahuku	10:00
April 4	vs. Kaimuki	3:00
April 11	vs. Kaiser	3:00
April 12	@ Moanalua	3:00

Tennis

Kalani Boys 4 – Kalaheo 1			Kalani Girls 3 – Kalaheo 2		
Kalani Boys 4 – Castle 1			Kalani Girls 5 – Castle 0		
March 16	vs. McKinley	9:00			
March 20	@ Moanalua	1:00			
March 23	vs. Roosevelt	9:00			
March 27	vs. Farrington	9:00			
March 30	vs. Kahuku	9:00			
April 3	vs. Kailua	1:00			
April 6	vs. Kaiser	9:00			
April 10	OIA Team	@ CORP			
April 13	OIA Team	@ CORP			
April 17/19/20	Eastern	@ CORP			
April 26/27	OIA	@ CORP			

Track & Field

March 16	Kalani Invit.	@ Kaiser	March 21	JV Meet	@ Campbell
March 23	Ruby Tuesday	@ Moanalua	March 29	Moanalua Invit.	@ Moanalua
April 6	Eastern JV	@ Moanalua			
April 13	Mililani Invit	@ Mililani			
April 20	OIA JV	@ Moanalua			
April 25	Eastern Trials	@ Kaiser			
April 27	Eastern Finals	@ Kaiser			
May 2	OIA Trials	@ Mililani			
May 4	OIA Finals	@ Mililani			

Volleyball

Kalani 0 – Castle 3

Kalani 3 – Kaimuki 0

Kalani 3 – Kahuku 2

March 19 vs. Kaiser

March 21 @ Farrington

March 28 vs. Kalaheo

April 2 vs. Anuenue

April 4 vs. McKinley

April 11 vs. Roosevelt

April 16 @ Moanalua

ATHLETIC NEWS:

General Athletic Information: Athletic Director – Gregory.Van_Cantfort@k12.hi.us

General Athletic Information and Athletic Registration Questions: Assistant Athletic Director – Janeen.Waiialae@k12.hi.us

Athletic Medical Information and forms: Athletic Trainer – Ben.Kuenzli@k12.hi.us

Athletic Trainer – Marissa.Fukunaga@k12.hi.us

Head Coaches: Firstname.lastname@k12.hi.us

Senior-Athlete Signing Ceremony – May 5, 2024

Athletic Awards Ceremony – May 17, 2024 at the Ala Moana Hotel

Sports You App – Pilot for Spring Sports

To enhance communication between players, parents, and coaches, our Spring Sports program is introducing a pilot of a new communication platform called Sports You. This app, available at no cost to players and parents, will be utilized to send out essential updates directly to your phone. You will receive an invitation to join soon. Spring Coaches will exclusively use this app to disseminate information, ensuring alerts reach you promptly. We understand that sometimes messages from coaches don't always get relayed to parents effectively. With Sports You, we aim to provide timely updates on schedules, changes in game times, weather-related cancellations, important deadlines, and more. If we get a positive review from players, parents and coaches at the end of the Spring Season we may expand across all sports next school year.

ASET FEE \$60.00

Once your child has been selected to a team, parents will receive an email asking you to log into your child's account to pay the \$60.00 Athletic Supply Equipment & Transportation (ASET) fee. The amount of money allocated by the DOE for Athletic Transportation is much less than is needed considering the current cost of buses. This fee (pays for buses) is charged once per school year regardless of the number of teams your child gets selected for. A \$3.00 convenience fee is applied to online payments.

Continuous Notice

The Hawaii State Department of Education (HSDOE) and its schools do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, disability, and religion in its programs and activities. Please direct inquiries regarding Department nondiscrimination policies as follows:

Civil Rights Compliance Branch
Hawaii State Department of Education
P.O. Box 2360
Honolulu, Hawaii 96804
(808) 586-3322 or relay
CRCB@k12.hi.us

Beth Schimmelfinnig, Director
Rhonda Wong, Compliance
Aaron Oandasan, Title VI
Toby Yamashiro, Title VII
Nicole Isa-Iijima, Title IX
Krysti Sukita, ADA/504

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The Hawaii State Department of Education (Department) does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, disability, and religion. This requirement extends to all of the Department's programs and activities, including employment and admissions as applicable. If you have difficulty understanding English, you have the right to receive language assistance at no cost to you. Please contact your school's principal for more information. For the Department high schools that offer Career and Technical Education (CTE) Programs of Study in arts and communications, business, health services, industrial and engineering technology, natural resources, and public and human services, there are no admission criteria. Department high schools will take steps to assure that the lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in CTE programs and will provide equal access to designated youth groups. The Department does not tolerate acts of harassment on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, disability, and religion. Any student who believes that he or she has been subjected to harassment on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, disability, and religion is encouraged to report such harassment. Students and parents may report allegations of discrimination or harassment to the school's administrator or to the Department's Civil Rights Compliance Branch at the address listed below. The Department is committed to conducting prompt investigations. Support, including counseling and educational resources, will be available to students who are harassed as well as to students found to have engaged in acts of harassment on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, disability, and religion. Students found to have engaged in harassment may be disciplined up to and including suspension if circumstances warrant. Students, parents, and Department staff should work together to prevent harassment on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, disability, and religion. The Department will not tolerate retaliation for reporting discrimination and/or harassment on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, disability, and religion, and will take steps to protect those who wish to report the discrimination or harassment. Please direct inquiries regarding Department nondiscrimination policies to:

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AHERA

In 1986, Congress passed the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) which mandated the Asbestos-Containing Materials in Schools Rule, 40 CFR Part 763. It requires all primary and secondary school buildings to be inspected by AHERA accredited inspectors and to identify all asbestos-containing building materials. The rule further requires the development of a management plan by an AHERA accredited management planner that is based on the findings of the inspection. The management plan outlines our intent in controlling the potential for exposure to asbestos fibers in our school. In February 2001, Hawaii Administrative Rules Chapter 11-502 was adopted by the Hawaii State Legislature. These rules essentially mirror the requirements of the AHERA regulations. In both cases, the rule requires our school to notify parents, teachers, and employees of the presence and status of asbestos containing material in our school buildings.

The initial inspection of our school was conducted in 1958 and identifies some asbestos-containing materials. Since that time, we continue to conduct periodic surveillances and triennial re-inspections to ensure that the asbestos-containing materials remain in good condition and do not pose a hazard to our students and staff. An asbestos management plan was drafted based on our initial inspection and submitted to the Hawaii State Department of Health. It outlines in detail the methods we will use to maintain the material in a safe manner. The management plan is updated regularly as asbestos is removed or conditions change. A copy of the management plan is on file in the administrative office and is available for your review during our regular school hours. Should you have any questions, please call the school at 808-305-0500.