

TO: KHS Parents & Ohana, Guardians, Friends (05/05/2023)

# KALANI High School

## WEEKLY E-BULLETIN

### IMPORTANT DATES...

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| 1) Friday, May 12   | Last Day for Seniors                         |
| 2) Monday, May 15   | Freshmen (incoming) Transition Day           |
| 3) Thursday, May 18 | Senior Awards Night @ Moanalua HS Auditorium |
| 4) Friday, May 19   | Athletic Banquet (tentative)                 |
| 5) Saturday, May 20 | Senior Prom (tentative)                      |
| 6) Tuesday, May 23  | Graduation (Confirmed)                       |
| 7) Friday, May 26   | Last Day for Students                        |
| 8) Monday : May 29  | Memorial Day                                 |
| 9) Tuesday, May 30  | Last Day for Teachers                        |

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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*

**Congratulations**

*Taiga Sakai*

Selected as a Gates Scholar and member of The Gates Scholarship Class of 2023.

**Congratulations**

**2023 Citizen-Scholar Award recipient**

*Jennifer Moritaka*



**Congratulations**

**Dr. Mark Mekaru (Kalani Class of 1961) Scholarship Award**

The applicants were extremely qualified with outstanding academic, leadership, and community service profiles.

Please congratulate the following recipients of the 2023 Dr. Mark Mekaru Scholarship

*Marisa Fujimoto Taiga Sakai Shiina Tsuchiya*

**Congratulations**

*Riko Yamaki*

Accepted to and will be attending Parsons School of Design in NYC

She is currently in NYC visiting the school.

She will be majoring in Integrated Design

## **Hawaii High School Journalism Awards**

Congratulations to Kalani High School Journalism students.

They were honored at the 54<sup>th</sup> Hawaii High School Journalism Awards ceremony.

State Winners : Kalani – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place (top Public School behind Sacred Hearts Academy and Hawaii Baptist Academy)

Most Valuable Staffers : Lin Meyers – Reporter, Social Media

Category Winners : Azriel Badon and Lily Washburn – Infographic

Photo Division Winners : Kalani – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

Design Division Winners : Kalani – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place

Online Division Winners : Kalani – 4<sup>th</sup> Place

Teacher : Brooke Nasser

### *Congratulations*

*Andrew Lee*

2023 Mamoru and Aiko Takitani Foundation Scholarship

Thank you to all who worked so hard to complete and submit the application for the Mamoru and Aiko Takitani Foundation Scholarship. The applicants were extremely qualified and highly competitive with outstanding academic, leadership, and community service profiles. The scholarship committee was extremely impressed with the quality of the applicants. Please congratulate Andrew Lee – Kalani's Takitani Foundation Scholarship recipient

### *Congratulation*

#### **National Merit Recognition**

Congratulations to the following juniors who took the PSAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test in October and met the requirements to enter the 2024 National Merit Scholarship Program. With a Selection Index Score of 207 or above, these high performers have shown outstanding academic potential. These students are among the 50,000 highest-scoring participants (out of 1.3 million students who took the test) and will be recognized in the fall as either a Semifinalist or Commended Student

*Leyna Ko Chaemin Lee Gabriela Virardi Mason Vuong*

### **Congratulations**

#### **University of Hawaii New Warrior Scholarships**

##### **Provost Achievement Scholarship**

*Noah Kessler Amber Kim Joseph Kim Jacie Le Andrew Lee*

*Matthew Li Una Miloncic Taiga Sakai Takeo Swallow Tristan Ta Shiina Tsuchiya*

### **Congratulations**

CTL Vision Lab Competition

1<sup>st</sup> Place (Year 1 Category)

*Leilani Pham Jesse Jong Kandace Wong Zhoulin Chen*

The team worked hard to tackle the issue, "Connecting EL to Gen Ed". They made a 2 minute pitch about their process and solution, and they answered a few questions from a panel. They made the pitch in February to a school panel and was selected from the three Kalani teams. They then made the pitch to another panel and the team was selected top two from teams from various schools across the state. Then in front of over 150 adult leaders in the community, they made the pitch one more time and beat Waiakea HS to win it all. Congratulations to the team and their advisor, Scott Iwanaga.

### **Kalani High School Photo Exhibit**

May 1 - May 15

At Kahala Mall from May 1 – May 15

### **Gratitude**

In today's world, it can be easy to forget what we should be grateful for. Our lives are always go, go, go. Always going from one thing to another makes it easy to get caught up. But we have a choice: continue at this rapid, draining pace or pause to reflect on what we are thankful for. Whether it's in simple things such as a conversation with friends or bigger things like spending time with loved ones, prioritizing a grateful mindset is important. Here at Kalani, we understand that having gratitude is important for our well-being. With every photo, students share what they are grateful for in this series of meaningful pictures. So today, no matter what worries you have or what burdens you carry, take a breath. There may be times when you can't think anything can possibly be good, but there is always something there to be grateful for.

## Projects this summer

Rubberized Track and Field Turf ----- Tentative Start Date : June 12, 2023

Replace Gym Bleachers -----Tentative Start Date : May 24, 2023

Capital Improvement Project (CIP):

**Name: Kalani High School, Replace Gym Bleachers**

Mahalo to Representative Mark Hashem and Senator Stanley Chang  
for their hard work on behalf of the Kalani High School staff and students to secure these funds.

## STUDENT SECTION

### Congratulations Student Government Elections

#### KAS

President- Kate Shower ('24)  
Vice President- Hailey Takai ('24)  
Secretary- Yuna Otsuka ('26)  
Treasurer- Kaylee Matsuda ('24)

#### Class of 2024 Officers

President- Yuuka Brown  
Vice President- Hina Iketani  
Corresponding Secretary- Eric Wong      Recording Secretary- Rin Isoe  
Treasurer- Kalina Hotema

#### Class of 2025 Officers

President- Mason Nagata  
Vice President- Skyler Rivera  
Corresponding Secretary- Kyra Kugiyama      Recording Secretary- Shea Brown  
Treasurer- Calli Amine

#### Class of 2026 Officers

President- Kylie Awakuni  
Vice President- Kira-May Nosse  
Treasurer- Sadie Nakao



**SENIOR SPIRIT WEEK**  
23 MAY 8 - 12  
LET'S CELEBRATE THE SENIORS'  
LAST WEEK OF SCHOOL!

**MONDAY: DISNEY DAY**  
Dress up as your favorite Disney character or wear Disney merchandise

**TUESDAY: MAY DAY**  
Wear Aloha attire

**WEDNESDAY: SENIORITIS DAY**  
Come to school in your pajamas

**THURSDAY: CAREER DAY**  
Dress up as your dream career

**FRIDAY: SENIOR CLASS COLOR**  
Wear blue or senior class shirt

**ALL DRESS CODE RULES APPLY**

## Speak Now App

The Speak Now HIDOE app provides another avenue for students to report bullying incidents on campus — digitally and anonymously, if they choose — to appropriate school personnel. The app was made available to our middle schools on Jan. 31, 2019 as a first phase, high schools in September 2019, and elementary schools on March 1, 2022.

Speak Now HIDOE can be downloaded from the App Store (Apple devices) or Google Play (Android devices). Students can continue to safely report bullying incidents in person to a trusted adult.

<https://www.hawaiipublicschools.org/ParentsAndStudents/AntiBullyingWork/Pages/Speak-Now-HIDOE.aspx>

## College and Career Center Updates

### College and Career Center

Scholarship resources: <https://bit.ly/KalaniScholarships>

\*\*a Kalanihs.org account must be used to view the scholarship document\*\*

Reminders:

- Check your emails
  - Don't miss out on scholarships, deadline reminders, missing documents from your school's admissions or financial aid offices, etc.
- Transcripts
  - Final transcript requests will be in May via Google Form
- Check our website for more information - <https://bit.ly/KalaniCollegeandCareer>

## ATHLETICS

### Congratulations

*Iris Stremick*

Kalani Varsity Softball Coach

KSSK / OIA Coach of the Week

March 13-18, 2023

### Senior Signing Ceremony

Rorie Frias	Volleyball	Pacific University	Oregon
Jase Fujikawa	Baseball	Western Oregon University	Oregon
Noa Dane Fujitani	Baseball	North Park University	Illinois
Logan Ouchi	Baseball	Southwestern Oregon	Oregon
Ethan Senter	Soccer	UC Santa Barbara	California
Shane Fuse	Soccer	George Fox University	Oregon
Chase Kaetsu	Soccer	George Fox University	Oregon
Chris Holt	Football	TBD	Washington or Oregon
Ryder Iwata	Football	Linfield College	Oregon
Mikala Nishimoto	Football	Pacific Lutheran University	Washington

Those that already signed their letters but are not available to participate in this ceremony

Kara Kaneshiro	Golf	Colorado State University	Colorado
Teal Matsueda	Golf	Boise State University	Idaho
Madixx Muramoto	Softball	University of Hawaii at Manoa	Hawaii

### Golf

Girls	03/06	03/13	03/15	03/20	03/27	04/03	East	OIA
Kara Kaneshiro	72	---	68	67	70	---	74	69+72 (-3) OIA Champion
Teal Matsueda	71	---	74	72	---	---	71	75+67 (-2) 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place
Kailee McKee	75	---	76	74	81	---	72	---
Rylee Shimabuku	90	85	89	85	80	92	88	88+89 (+33)
Alexis Yorimoto	---	96	---	---	89	108	102	93+102 (+51)
Ashlyn Yorimoto	101	98	87	89	84	95	---	90+91 (+37)

Zaedis Yoshizawa	86	91	77	75	80	81	79	75+77 (+8) 4 <sup>th</sup> Place
Parker Smith	87	---	83	---	---	91	85	81+86 (+23)
Bryson Nakata	88	88	---	83	83	---	92	90+86 (+32)
Zachary Tam	95	102	84	83	94	93	90	83+89 (+28)
Logan Smith	108	88	89	---	89	90	98	---
Virgil Tan	120	94	87	85	86	106	91	95+95 (+46)

**Track / Field**

May 5 HHSAA Trials  
 May 6 HHSAA Finals

**Tennis**

May 4/-6 HHSAA TOURNAMENT @ Iwase Tennis Complex

**Baseball**

Season completed

**Softball**

Season completed

**Volleyball**

Season completed

**Judo**

**Season completed**

HHSAA Results  
 Aiden Trinidad 4<sup>th</sup> Place

**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. This fee 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.

**Please visit [www.kalaniathletics.com](http://www.kalaniathletics.com) for more information**

**Congratulations Dr. Michael Ida**

State Finalist for Presidential Award for Excellence in Math and Science Teaching 2023

## **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:

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## **Annual Notice of Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Statement**

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.