

TO: KHS Parents & Ohana, Guardians, Friends (01/17/20)

KALANI High School

WEEKLY E-BULLETIN
UPDATES FROM A.M. BULLETINS, FLYERS, ETC.

IMPORTANT DATES...

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| 1) Tuesday, January 21 | Freshmen House Awards during Advisory |
| | College Planning Night for Juniors - January 30 from 6-7:30 |
| 2) Tuesday, February 4 | Food Fest (Mardi Gras) |
| 3) Wednesday, February 5 | Professional Collaboration Day (no students) |
| 4) Saturday, February 8 | Science Fair |
| 5) Monday, February 10 | Teacher Institute Day (no students) |
| 6) Sunday, February 16 | Freshmen / Sophomore Banquet |
| 7) Monday, February 17 | Holiday : Presidents' Day – No School |
| 8) Tuesday, February 25 | ACT & Pre-ACT Test |
| 9) Tuesday, February 25 | Senior Grad Practice (Mandatory) |
| 10) Friday, March 13 | Falcons on Fire |
| 11) Thursday, March 19 | Junior Prom @ Hyatt |
| 12) Friday, March 20 | Ritsumeikan Brass Band visiting Kalani (depart Honolulu on March 23) |
| 13) Monday, March 23 | Obihiro Hakuyo School visiting Kalani (depart March 26) |
| 14) Thursday, March 26 | Holiday : Prince Kuhio Day – No School |
| 15) Monday, April 6 | Freshmen Student-led Conferences 3:00-5:00 |
| 16) Tuesday, April 7 | Freshmen Student-led Conferences 3:00-5:00 |
| 17) Wednesday, April 8 | LEI Conference (Business Ed students) |
| 18) Wednesday, April 8 | Freshmen House Olympics during Advisory |
| 19) Friday, May 1 | Falcon Fair |
| 20) Thursday, May 7 | Senior Send-off Assembly |
| 21) Friday, May 8 | Last Day for Seniors |
| 22) Monday, May 11 | Athletic Banquet (tentative) |
| 23) Friday, May 15 | Freshmen House Awards during Advisory |
| 24) Sunday, May 17 | Senior Prom |
| 25) Monday, May 18 | Senior Awards Night |
| 26) Tuesday, May 19 | Graduation |
| 27) Thursday, May 28 | Last Day for School |

Spring Break – March 16 - 20

Graduation Practice May 11-17

DEADLINE...Friday 9:00am is the deadline for your group's input in next Parent Bulletin.

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Vision: Character. Compassion. Community.

Character: Using knowledge with integrity.

Compassion: Seeking to actively listen and understand beyond personal perspective and striving to nurture relationships.

Community: Students, parents, staff, and friends of Kalani empowering each other
in an environment that fosters a sense of belonging and pride.

Mission : We at Kalani High School create opportunities to discover our passions, purpose, and personal pursuits.

Kalani High School will be utilizing a lottery system for Geographic Exceptions For School Year 2020 – 2021

SQS Parent Survey

Parent packets with the School Quality Survey (SQS) have been distributed to students to take home to his/her parent(s)/guardian(s). Your feedback about Kalani High School is important to us. We request a few moments of your time to complete and return the survey by USPS mail (using the enclosed prepaid envelope). Last day to complete the survey is March 13.

Congratulations

Reina Dreyer

ACT : Perfect Score 36

PSAT/NMSQT Scores

Scores from the PSAT/NMSQT were released online to students December 9–11. Students who shared their email address on their PSAT/NMSQT answer sheet received an email reminder from College Board explaining where and how to view their scores. Students will need to create a College Board online account to view their scores. Paper copies of score reports are available.

PSAT / National Merit Scholarship Program

The following **juniors** took the PSAT / National Merit Qualifying Test in October and had perfect scores

Max Chan Lana Lubecke

Winter Sports

OIA Champions

Swimming and Diving Relays : Boys Swim Team

Swimming and Diving Relays : Girls Swim Team

Boys Junior Varsity Swimming and Diving

OIA Eastern Division Champions

Boys Swimming and Diving

Girls Swimming and Diving

Boys Junior Varsity Soccer

Boys JV Baseball, Boys Basketball, Wrestling pending completion of regular season

Congratulations

Life Smarts Competition

Congratulations to the Kalani High School Life Smarts Team. Based on their outstanding showing, they are invited to participate in the Life Smarts State Finals at the University of Hawaii on February 8th. LifeSmarts is designed to help students develop critical thinking skills and expand leadership through service learning and teamwork. These experiences help students to gain proficiency in making informed decisions that promote financial independence.

2019-20 Modeling the Future Challenge Qualifying teams!

170 teams from across the country participated in this year's MTF Challenge and we are happy to announce the 98 teams who have qualified for the project phase of the competition! These teams have completed one of the three scenarios to move forward.

Great job and congratulations to all the members of the teams!

The Modeling the Future Challenge is a real-world math-modeling and data-analysis competition for high school students. To compete, students analyze real-world data to project future trends and make recommendations to help mitigate risks.

18 states made it into the second round with three teams from Hawaii - Kalani and two from Kalaheo High School.

Questions to ask your (9th grader) child

- How do you like the new (semester) classes that you have?
- Did you do as well as you expected to for the first semester?
- Now that the first semester is over, what do you plan to do differently in the spring?

Meal Clerk Vacancy

Kalani is looking to hire meal clerks. We need 3 meal clerks.

Job Description : Operate the meal terminals during morning breakfast, recess breakfast and lunch.

Call parents for negative balances, and other duties.

Suggested hours for meal clerks (up to 16.25 hours/week/clerk)

6:45am - 9:45am daily 10:15am - 1:15pm daily

PARKING GUIDELINES : To ensure safety, and security for our faculty, staff and students, all student vehicles are required to have a parking permit. Student vehicles parked on campus without a parking permit will result in the following actions: parent/student meeting, student's vehicle will not be allowed on campus.

Student Parking is around the track (lower campus)

Students are NOT allowed to park in the teachers' parking lot.

Student Parking is on a First Come/First Serve basis.

Once the spaces allocated for student parking are filled, students will need to park on the street.

STUDENT SECTION

Kaleo O Kalani – Student Newspaper

The Kaleo O Kalani --- <https://www.kaleookalani.org/>

Senior Contracts : Senior Contracts were due on October 18. No signed contract = no participation in graduation.

Tentative Timeline for 2020 – 2021 Course Registration

January

Distribution of verification letter for courses requested along with Quarter 2 report cards

Distribute course counts to departments for master schedule/teaching lines.

Club Information

STUDENT GOVERNMENT Class Activities

Forthcoming

Seniors

Attention Class of 2020 Parents! We need your help with Project Graduation 2020.

Graduation is just FOUR months away!

Please sign up to attend Project Grad now!

Next Project Grad Fundraiser- BINGO Night on Sunday, January 26 from 4pm-8pm. \$10 per ticket.

We are seeking donations of baked goods and prizes.

For tickets and information, please email kalaniprojectgradclassof2020@gmail.com

Juniors

Attention Parents of Class of 2021 – 5 things for parents to do during your child's junior year

1. Make sure your child meets with the school counselor. This meeting is especially important this year as your 11th-grader begins the college application process. Learn more about the counselor's role in applying to college.
2. Encourage your child to set goals for the school year. Working toward specific goals helps your high schooler stay motivated and focused.
3. Help your junior get ready for the PSAT/NMSQT. This is a test that helps students practice for college admission tests and helps to assess their academic skills. Juniors who score well on the PSAT/NMSQT are also eligible for scholarship opportunities. Find out more about the PSAT/NMSQT.
4. Talk your child about an extracurricular activity to focus on this year. It can be one your child is already involved in or something new. Sticking with extracurricular activities helps students develop their interests and lets colleges see that they can make a commitment.
5. Help your child make a plan. Help your child create a customized step-by-step college plan. Keep on top of the tasks required to get ready for applying to college, track progress and more. Your child may already have created a plan; make sure it's been updated to include his or her junior year goals.

College Planning Night for Juniors - January 30 from 6-7:30

Freshmen

April 6	Freshmen St. led Conferences	3:00-5:00
April 7	Freshmen St. led Conferences	3:00-5:00
April 8	House competition	lunch
May 13	Freshmen House Olympics	during advisory

Music Program

Band Performances

March 8	Band Spring Concert	5:30	TBD
March 20	Wind Ensemble Exchange Concert with Ritsumeikan Brass Band		
April 16-18	OBDA Parade of Bands		
April 26	Band Aloha Concert	5:30	

Orchestra / Polynesian Music / Dance Performances

April 7	Orchestra - Hawaii Invitational Music Festival Competition @ Kapiolani Park
May 6	Orchestra @ Kahala Nui
May 9	Creative Dance Aloha Recital

Hawaii Youth Symphony Concert Dates

YSI April 6 Neal Blaisdell Concert Hall 9:30 and 11:00

COLLEGE AND CAREER GUIDANCE CENTER

College Information

- Please visit the College & Career Center link on Kalani's webpage kalanihighschool.org
- Sandra Yoshida / Lisa Hayashi College & Career Counselors (808)305-0556
- sandra_yoshida@notes.k12.hi.us lisa_hayashi@notes.k12.hi.us

College Announcements and Events

Please visit our page where we post about the upcoming college and career events being held. On our page includes other information regarding financial aid, scholarships, etc. Please visit our website or encourage senior students to visit the College and Career Google Classroom page for information on events and other information as well.

Hello Students and Families of the Class of 2020,

Thank you for your continued support as the Class of 2020 continues their way to finishing their senior year and coming up with post high school plans.

FAFSA update:

*Many colleges, universities and scholarships from organizations require students to have completed the FAFSA in order to be eligible for scholarships. Merit based scholarships are not determined by financial need but by academic excellence and **many students lose out on opportunities such as these because they did not complete the FAFSA. Students need to complete the FAFSA in order to receive any Merit Scholarships from the University of Hawaii.** The final decision on what to accept from the Federal Government and college is up to your student and family. Please look over the financial aid package from the colleges very carefully. And finally, please be cautious of any organization or individual that approaches you with the promise of finding any additional monies, loan forgiveness, scholarships, or helping you find colleges especially if they charge a fee. Many of the paid services they offer can be done or found for free. Please do not hesitate to contact our College and Career Office at 305-0556 if you have any questions or visit the FAFSA website regarding this topic: <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/types/scams#dont-pay-for-fafsa>*

Thank you,

Lisa Hayashi / Sandra Yoshida

College and Career

Kalani High School 808-305-0556

SCAM

Parents and Families - If you receive letters, emails, or phone calls offering paid services for college finding, scholarship searches, assistance for athletics such as NCAA, etc. please call our College and Career office first at 808-305-0556 or email Lhayashi@kalanihs.org or Syoshida@kalanihs.org prior to replying or attending any event sponsored by the company regarding what your family received. Many of the services companies and consultants promise are usually accessible at no cost to your or your student.

College Visitations

New schools forthcoming

**WUE (Western Undergraduate Exchange)
Agreement among western states, some majors may be restricted.
Research schools that you are interested in for details.**

Athletics – Go Falcons

ACADEMIC REVIEW STATUS: Next Grade check – in January

The parent/guardian whose child is on Academic Review Status (ARS) is encouraged to stay in close communication with their child's teacher, counselor and coach. All parties should work in unison to ensure that the student-athlete has the greatest opportunity to be successful in their academics so that they may become eligible to participate in athletics.

ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION REGISTRATION SITE

The Athletic Registration Site for the 2019-2020 School Year is now open. This is the very first step necessary if your child is interested in participating in athletics at Kalani. Registering does not commit you nor does it guarantee you a spot on the team. Your registration is the action necessary to get your child on a team tryout list so select all those sports that you think your child is interested in participating in. Registration is required prior to participation in any team activities including preseason conditioning. A current athletic physical and sport specific consent form must also be on file with our athletic trainers prior to participation. See the directions provided in this newsletter. Please register today!

ASET FEE

The Athletic Supply Equipment and Transportation Fee (ASET) is a one-time per school year fee assessed to student-athletes once they have been selected to the team. The fee is good for as many sports as your child is selected for within the school year. The fee is used to cover transportation costs for all sports (the amount allocated to schools by the state is not nearly enough to cover the annual transportation costs for Kalani Athletics). With these funds, Kalani will provide transportation to and from all regular season and post season games. The fee will also cover airfare and ground transportation expenses if post season play is on the Neighbor Island.

The Student Activity Card will no longer be provided upon payment of the ASET Fee and must be purchased separately. The ASET Fee will be \$60.00 for the 2019 – 2020 School Year.

All student fees – grade level and athletic fees are approved annually by the School Community Council

Fall Sports All-stars forthcoming

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Mahalo to Senator Chang and Representative Hashem

Mahalo to Senator Chang, Senator Ihara, Representatives Hashem, Representative Kobayashi, and Representative Say for their help in securing monies for the design and **construction** of a new rubberized track and field turf.

Plans include design for track and field improvements; ground and site improvements.

Mitchell Otani - Principal

Awards / Teacher Recognition

Congratulations Mr. Akemoto

Servco Pacific Inc. is turning 100 years old in 2019 and is celebrating their birthday by donating ukuleles and/or guitars with Fender Play subscriptions to support music programs in Hawaii Department of Education schools. Music Teacher Daniel Akemoto, applied for this grant and Kalani High School was selected to receive 40 ukuleles and 40 guitars. Congratulations Mr. Akemoto

Partnerships

Sophia University Partnership info forthcoming
Stefanie Ching Scholarship info forthcoming

Alumni information

Rika Okino - Kalani Class of 2016

Big West Champions : University of Hawaii Rainbow Wahine Volleyball Team

Mahalo to Kalani Falcon Athletic Booster Club (KFAB) for their sponsorship of the Thanksforgiving Golf Classic

STUDENT PUBLICATION / AUDIO / VIDEO RELEASE FORM

In order to protect student's rights to privacy as outlined in the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and the Protection of Pupil's Rights Amendment (PPRA), parents/guardians are asked to give the Hawaii State Department of Education permission to create or use digital or print media of student's name, voice, likeness, or images of student work for the purposes described in this form. Parents / guardians need to give their permission in order for the student's name and/or likenesses for the following school-related publications

Please turn in your "Student Publication/ Audio/ Video" release form to the office as soon as possible.

Failure to do so will result in your name and picture being left out of various publications throughout the year (sports team rosters/ pictures, club rosters/ pictures, yearbook photo (SENIOR Portrait picture in yearbook, etc.).

Please turn in form (if you have not done so already) as soon as possible. You can download form from Kalani's webpage

Kalani High Surveillance Cameras

Kalani High School installed surveillance cameras on the outside of buildings throughout our campus in 2017. The surveillance cameras are used to provide for the safety of our staff and students and to maintain the security of our buildings and personal property. The intent of the use of the video surveillance cameras is to provide a safe environment for our student by deterring outsiders from entering out campus for inappropriate reasons and to monitor our campus for vandalism and student misconduct. Our cameras are placed in public places, areas where there is no expectation of privacy – school entrances, hallways, exterior of buildings and other open areas on campus. The cameras are NOT placed in areas where students, staff or visitors may have a reasonable expectation of privacy – classrooms, offices, teacher workrooms, restrooms, locker rooms or other designated dressing rooms. The surveillance cameras are just one of the ways that we use to create a safe and secure learning environment at Kalani High School. If you have any questions and/or concerns regarding our surveillance cameras, please call any of the administrative staff at 305-0500.

Annual Notification of Privacy Rights

“Annual Notification of Privacy Rights” “Know your privacy rights as they apply to 1) student record information; 2) directory information; 3) surveys and other information collection; and 4) military recruitment information. For more information on your privacy rights, the laws that protect them, and how to exercise your rights, contact your school administrator or visit <http://ferpa.k12.hi.us>.

Continuous Notice

The Hawaii State Department of Education (HSDOE) and its schools do not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, age, color, national origin, religion or disability in its programs and activities and provides equal access to designated youth groups, including the Boy Scouts. Please direct inquiries regarding HSDOE nondiscrimination policies as follows

Section 504 inquiries

Ms. Krysti Sukita
Equity Specialist, Civil Rights Compliance Office
Hawaii State Department of Education
P.O. Box 2360
Honolulu, Hawaii 96804
(808) 586-3322 or relay
Krysti_Sukita@notes.k12.hi.us

Title VI, Title IX, ADA and other inquiries

Anne Marie Puglisi
Director, Civil Rights Compliance Office
Hawaii State Department of Education
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Student Recognition from Previous Parent Bulletins

Academic

National Merit Scholarship Program Commended Students

The following **seniors** took the PSAT/National Merit Qualifying Test and met the requirements to enter the 2020 National Merit Scholarship Program. With an index score of 212 or above, these high performers show outstanding academic potential.

Haley Churchill Reina Dreyer Long Vuving

QuestBridge National College Match Full four-year scholarship to Notre Dame

Toby In

PAAC World Quest Games

World Quest: 4th place out of 60 schools

Virgil Lin (Grade 9) Takeo Swallow (grade 9) Toby Jiwon In (Grade 12)

Student Activities

International Travel

Chengdu Youth Debate Challenge

Kalani High School was well represented at the 4th Chengdu - Sister Cities Debate Challenge. Hosted by China, this event brings together select teams from Chengdu and its US sister cities to debate. The purpose of the challenge is to enhance relationships between Chengdu and each US sister city and to strengthen cultural and educational exchange among youth that provide the next generation of students an opportunity to develop global perspectives. Seniors Reina Dreyer and Pearl Lee were accompanied by English Teacher Brooke Nasser.

Jeju Student Forum

Kalani High School was well represented at the Jeju Student Forum in Korea. Tea Caliri, Kayla Lim Tam, Regina Lee, and Madison Frisbie represented Hawaii and the United States in Jeju. The Jeju Youth Forum is a creative platform for youth to exchange their opinions and ideas. Through various panel discussions on peace, environmental concerns, bullying, and other topics faced by the international community, participating students from all over the world build up skills in global leadership and help to formulate international consensus. Mahalo to the Department of Business and Economic Development for sponsoring this trip.

Japan Super Science Fair

Kalani High School was well represented at this year's Japan Super Science Fair in Kyoto, Japan. Cole Amine, Sidney Griffiths, Tryphena Hsu, Micah Kimura, Paulina Ruelas (accompanied by Mrs. Berroteran) presented their research topic and performing their Cultural Presentation in early-November at Ritsumeikan Senior High School. The Ritsumeikan Super Science Fair was organized in 2003 as a place for scientific exchange, concentrating on scientific research presentations by high school students. The Ritsumeikan Super Science Fair changed its name to the Japan Super Science Fair in 2011 in order to widen its scope not only in Japan but around the world. There were 47 schools represented at this year's JSSF, including schools from Australia, Canada, France, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Iran, Kenya, Korea, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nepal, the Netherlands, New Caledonia, the Philippines, Russia, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, the United Kingdom, the United States, Vietnam and host country Japan.

Team Magma Robotics #9378

First place in the FIRST Tech Challenge State Tournament and captured the Motivate Award
Congratulations also to Mija Wheeler. She received the Dean's List Nomination.
She will be attending Worlds in Houston to represent Hawaii.

Bravo!

The Kalani High School Marching Band

Kapolei Marching Band Festival
Best Overall Award (Division AA)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bRqsL89-Hyk>

Kamehameha Tournament of Bands

1st Place Overall (Division AA)

1st Place Music

1st Place General Effect

2nd Place Visual Effect

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HspwWW7Y9wA>

Mililani Bandfest

1st Place Overall (Division AA)

1st Place Music

1st Place General Effect

2nd Place Visual Effect

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=enRiwXGjdl0>

Rainbow Marching Band Festival at Aloha Stadium

Not adjudicated

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3_xcpCWipoM

All-State String Orchestra

Congratulations to our students who auditioned for the All-State String Orchestra.

Only 33 total students were selected, and the following 5 students are from Kalani.

Mia Caliri – Violin Tea Caliri – Violin Yukiko Hughes – Viola Ashley Kaya – Viola Katelyn Sung - Cello

Congratulations to the following students who auditioned and were selected to the

Hawaii Youth Symphony

Youth Symphony I (19)

Erin Matsushita Kai Abergas Mia Caliri Jesse Cumpston Micaela Diaz-Paez Emily Fujii Yukiko Hughes
Cuyler Murata Ryoma Sears Levin So Sherry Tanaka Hinano Tsuchiya Karen Watarida Brevely-Ann Wiemer
Aiden Woodard Ashley Nakazaki Ethan Garland Jacob Fetterman Robert Wiemer

Youth Symphony II (17)

Kayleen Asuncion Tea Caliri Gavin Ching Kiana Ejercito Alexander Lau Christine Lau Cora Lau Naiya Lim
Moka Sato Chinatsu Takizawa Alexander Tomomitsu Archer Aloiau Teo Lubecke Brandon Mitchell
Jennifer Moritaka Tyler Nakazaki Andy Au

Concert Orchestra (6)

Shota Yamada Hailey Mashino Kaylin Miura Kaitlyne Park Ferniel Tiamzon Sakura Saito

Homecoming Court 2019

King and Queen : Aidan Kennedy and Jazlyn Furuya
Senior Class of 2020 : David Le and Cree Sonsona
Junior Class of 2021 : Haruki Imanishi and Yukiko Hughes
Sophomore Class of 2022 : Chase Gusukuma and Emily Quach
Freshmen Class of 2023 : Devin Nguyen and Tanya Morishige

Athletics

Letter of Intent Signing

Paulina Ruelas (University of Sioux Falls) and Maya Hamaoka (Westminster College)

Congratulations to the Kalani Boys Crosscountry Team

OIA Crosscountry Champs
HHSAA – 3rd Place
15th Place (Medalist) – Kaulana Suzuki

Congratulations

Sara Jessica Toma
Air Riflery
HHSAA – 2nd Place
Kalani Girls Air Riflery Team : HHSAA – 4th Place

Congratulations

Kayttie Nakamura – World Champion

34th FIG Trampoline Gymnastics World Championships : Women's Double Mini Trampoline Team Champion

Congratulations Coach Denise Inouye

Congratulations to Kalani High School's Bowling Coach who was named as the KSSK Coach of the Week. Coach Denise Inouye has brought Kalani's storied bowling history back into spotlight as our program has grown under her leadership. Several of our bowlers will be traveling to Kauai next week to compete in the HHSAA State Bowling Championships on Kauai. We would like to recognize her for her accomplishments as she embodies the true spirit of a Kalani Falcon! Congratulations Coach!