

TO: KHS Parents & Ohana, Guardians, Friends (04/03/20)

# KALANI High School

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

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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.**

## Update

### *Dear Students, Parents and Guardians*

*Today marks the end of 3<sup>rd</sup> week since we last saw you on campus. As we move forward during these challenging times, we all have had to deal with uncertainty and uneasiness as we practice social distancing. Our teachers are working hard as we deal with the new normal and we are committed to providing you with an array of learning opportunities to make the best of the situation at hand.*

*Please support your families, each other and the Community of Learners at Kalani High. Continue to be safe. Practice good hygiene Be resilient.*

### Commencement Exercises

*High School Principals and HIDOE leadership discussed graduation and commencement ceremony. A proposal for graduation was turned in to the Superintendent and a decision will be made on April 15, 2020 on whether or not graduation will continue as planned, modified or cancelled. This decision is a difficult one as HIDOE needs to weigh the impact of COVID-19's continued threat to the health and safety of our community and the recommendations of the Department of Health and the Governor's Office.*

*We hope that Graduation Ceremonies and other Senior Events, which are normally held in mid-to-late May, will be postponed to a time when / if they can be held safely. Please understand that I am committed to having some kind of Class of 2020 Celebration to honor your 13 years of hard work. Mrs. Akasaki and I are looking at a variety of options.*  
- Mitchell Otani

### **Recent Developments – italicized from DOE website**

*The Board of Education (BOE) unanimously voted on April 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve the Hawaii State Department of Education's (HIDOE) request to modify high school graduation and commencement requirements under [Board Policy 102-15](#) for the graduating class of 2020. This approval means the Department will be able to move forward with finalizing a graduation plan that principals, complex area and state leadership have been developing over the past two weeks.*

***The plan recommends utilizing grades from the third quarter, which ended March 13, to determine the final grade for student courses.***

*For students who do not meet proficiency, an extension or other options will be available (through your counselor)*

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Grades**

**Third quarter report cards were mailed on Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

**Teachers will allow for re-takes and/or submittal of work for students to improve their 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter grade.**

**The only work that is to be graded is work done to help improve 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter grades.**

**Teachers will also be sending out enrichment work (that might include new material) for students to extend their learning in preparation for college and/or next school year.**

**This work will be audited (not graded)**

**Distance Learning via on-line platform**

If your teacher is interacting with you via webex, google hangout, etc, the schedule below is a change in order for families that are picking up breakfast and/or lunch from Farrington High, McKinley High or Kaimuki High Schools.

**Tentative Class Schedule : new on-line schedule starting April 6 (even) for those students on webex, etc**

Before 9:00 Parent time to pick up free breakfast (student has to be in car)  
9:00 – 9:40 Period 1 or 2  
9:45 – 10:25 Period 3 or 4  
10:30 – 11:10 Period 5 or advisory  
Lunchtime Parent time to pick up free lunch (student has to be in car)  
1:20 – 2:00 Period 6 or 7  
2:00 – 3:00 Work with and/or communicate with your DH and department

**A couple of entertaining videos to watch**

One Day More

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wdcS0Nbo7Ng>

Sweet Caroline (revised by Neal Diamond)

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

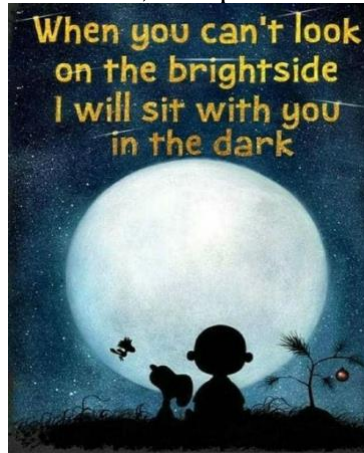
Thank you once again for your patience and understanding as we navigate through the COVID-19 pandemic. I hope that you and all members of your family are safe and healthy.

Please email me ([mitchell\\_otani@notes.k12.hi.us](mailto:mitchell_otani@notes.k12.hi.us)) if you have any questions and/ or concerns

Please view the COVID-19 resources below and learn about specific steps you can take to avoid it.

<http://www.hawaiipublicschools.org/ConnectWithUs/MediaRoom/PressReleases/Pages/COVID-19-Information-Updates.aspx>

**Calm, Communication, Compassion and Community**



**Free Internet or free data for K-12 Households**

Information on website

Spectrum

1-844-579-3743  
or 1-844-488-8395

Wi-Fi access for 60 days to households with K-12 and/or college students

Hawaiian Tel-Covid19

808-643-8888

2 month free internet

T-Mobile-Covid19

1-800-937-8997

Unlimited smartphone data for 60 days for current customers

Verizon-Covid19

1-800-922-0204

Adds 15GB of data for customers

Sprint-Covid19

888-211-4727

Unlimited data for 60 days for current customers

**Meal Clerk Vacancy**

Kalani is looking to hire meal clerks. We need 2 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

**STUDENT SECTION**

**Kalani High School utilized a lottery system for Geographic Exceptions  
For School Year 2020 – 2021 (letters were mailed on April 3<sup>rd</sup>)**

**University of Hawaii New Warrior Scholarships**

***Congratulations  
Regents Scholarship***

Rina Robin

***Provost Achievement Scholarship***

Sayaka Brown      Tea Caliri      Haley Churchill      Samantha Do      Sydney Griffiths  
Paul Kim      Pearl Lee      Doren Santoki      Noela Tuquero

**Congratulations Kalani Dance Team**

Before we went on spring break, the Kalani HS Dance Team participated in a National Dance Regional Competition. In their division, they came back with the Championship banner, as well as "Superior Performance" (aka best in show).

***Congratulations  
Reina Dreyer***

*2020 Citizen-Scholar Award recipient*

For the past 15 years, the Hawai'i Lodging & Tourism Association, the Hawai'i State Department of Education, and Honolulu Star-Advertiser have honored one outstanding senior from every public high school throughout the state who best exemplifies citizenship in school and the community. Each of these students have given back to make our state a better place and embody the Department of Education's Vision of a Public School Graduate.

***Congratulations  
Sydney Griffiths***

*2020 Mamoru and Aiko Takitani Foundation Scholarship*

The Mamoru and Aiko Takitani Foundation, Inc., is a non-profit, charitable organization dedicated to helping Hawaii students achieve their educational and career goals by providing scholarship opportunities to students in Hawaii and supporting educational initiatives that benefit Hawaii's youth. Since its inception, the Foundation has provided over 2.6 million dollars in scholarships to deserving scholars throughout Hawaii who embody the standards of excellence, innovation and dedication that Mr. and Mrs. Takitani lived by.

***Congratulations***

**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*

**COLLEGE AND CAREER GUIDANCE CENTER**

**College Visitations**

All college presentations have been canceled for the remainder of the school year. We are currently reaching out to schools who may be conducting virtual presentations or have informational videos on their website.. Once the list has been compiled, the information will be posted and emailed to students.

**Please see College and Career Counselors for info on WUE (Western Undergraduate Exchange) Schools**

**IMPORTANT DATES...all events / activities subject to cancellation**

- 1) Friday, May 1      Falcon Fair
- 2) Thursday, May 7      Senior Send-off Assembly

- 3) Friday, May 8                    Last Day for Seniors
  - 4) Monday, May 11                Athletic Banquet (tentative)
  - 5) Friday, May 15                 Freshmen House Awards during Advisory
  - 6) Sunday, May 17                 Senior Prom
  - 7) Monday, May 18                Senior Awards Night
  - 8) Tuesday, May 19               Graduation
  - 9) Thursday, May 28              Last Day for School
- Graduation Practice            May 11-17

**Music Program**

**Band Performances**

- April 1                    Marching Band Orientation for new members            6:30 in band room
- April 9-11                OBDA Parade of Bands    Canceled
- April 26                 Band Aloha Concert        5:30        at Roosevelt Auditorium

**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

**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>.

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