

TO: KHS Parents & Ohana, Guardians, Friends (08/07/20)

# *KALANI High School*

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

**IMPORTANT DATES...**

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| 1) Wednesday, August 12    | Registration / Yearbook and ID Picture Taking   |
| 2) Friday, August 14       | Freshmen Transition to High School (virtual) – 8:30am <b>Tentative-subject to change</b>  |
|                            | <b><u>The first 4 days are for students to connect with their teacher, receive training on the distance learning platforms, and address issues with connectivity and access to technology. Schedule forthcoming</u></b> |
| 3) Monday, August 17       | First Day of School : Red Group (odd periods 1, 3, 5 and 7) In-person. <b><u>Dismissal 12:15</u></b>  |
| 4) Tuesday, August 18      | Red Group (even periods 2, 4 and 6 – <b>no advisory</b> ) In-person. <b><u>Dismissal 11:10</u></b>  |
| 5) Wednesday, August 19    | White Group (odd periods 1, 3, 5 and 7) In-Person. <b><u>Dismissal 12:15</u></b>  |
| 6) Thursday, August 20     | White Group (even periods 2, 4 and 6 – <b>no advisory</b> ) In-Person. <b><u>Dismissal 11:10</u></b>  |
| 7) Friday, August 21       | Statehood Day : No students   |
| 8) Monday, August 24       | Beginning Phase II  |
| 9) Monday, September 7     | Labor Day : No School   |
| 10) Tuesday, November 3    | Election Day : No School  |
| 11) Wednesday, November 11 | Veterans’ Day : No School   |
| 12) Thursday, November 26  | Thanksgiving : No School  |
| 13) Friday, November 27    | No School   |

**Fall Break – October 5 – October 9**  
**Winter Break : December 21 – January 1**

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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.**

**Bell Schedule**

August 17 (Monday)- RED August 19 (Wednesday)- WHITE		August 18 (Tuesday)- RED August 20 (Thursday)- WHITE	
8:00 - 9:00	Period 1	8:00-9:00	Period 2
9:05 - 10:05	Period 3	9:05-10:05	Period 4
10:10 - 11:10	Period 5	10:10-11:10	Period 6
11:15 - 12:15	Period 7	11:15	Grab & Go Lunch
12:15	Grab & Go Lunch	<b>Transition to Distance Learning</b> Students will be required to log-in at home	
<b>Transition to Distance Learning</b> Students will be required to log-in at home		12:45-12:55	Log-in to Period 2 Google Classroom
1:45-1:55	Log-in to Period 1 Google Classroom	1:00-1:10	Log-in to Period 4 Google Classroom
2:00-2:10	Log-in to Period 3 Google Classroom	1:15-1:25	Log-in to Period 6 Google Classroom
2:15-2:25	Log-in to Period 5 Google Classroom		
2:30-2:40	Log-in to Period 7 Google Classroom		

## **DOE Updates : O'ahu public schools transition to distance learning for first four weeks of 2020-21 school year**

(copied from DOE website) The Hawai'i State Department of Education (HIDOE) announced today a modification to school reopening plans for all O'ahu public schools to align with the new safeguards and restrictions prompted by the increasing number of COVID-19 cases on the island.

Starting on Aug. 17, all O'ahu public schools will be implementing full distance learning models. Schools will use this week, August 10-14, to train and prepare for this transition.

HIDOE has designed three phases for O'ahu schools:

**First phase, in-person training (Aug. 17-20):** During the first week of school, students will physically return to campus on a coordinated and scheduled basis, determined by each individual school, to connect with their teacher, receive training on the distance learning platforms, and address issues with connectivity and access to technology. Special considerations will be given to vulnerable students and their families for more in-person access to the school and teachers.

Starting on Aug. 17, O'ahu cafeterias will be serving only grab-and-go meals; in-person dining will not be allowed. After-school programs will be suspended until students return to in-person blended learning models.

**Second phase, ready to learn (Aug. 24-Sept. 11):** For the remainder of the four-week period, full distance learning will be implemented. Staff will report to their designated work sites for continued distance learning instruction. Special education services that cannot be provided in a distance learning format will be available in person.

**Third phase, transition to blended learning (Sept. 14):** HIDOE will continue to closely monitor the situation and work with the Governor's Office and the Hawai'i State Department of Health to assess whether or not students can safely return to in-person blended learning models. If distance learning will continue for the remainder of the first quarter of school, an announcement will be made on Sept. 8.

Aug. 17 remains the official start date for all HIDOE students. Neighbor island school reopening plans will continue as planned, with blended learning models. All HIDOE buildings will remain open for faculty and staff, and employees will be expected to follow all health and safety protocols.

"It is our mission to ensure that all students in Hawai'i have equitable access to a quality education, even amidst this pandemic," said Superintendent Dr. Christina Kishimoto. "Learning must take place as we continue to safeguard our island community. Mahalo to our students, teachers, staff and school communities for their continued support and flexibility during these challenging times."

Earlier this week the Department announced the launch of the ['Ohana Help Desk](#) to provide self-service and chat support for families experiencing issues connecting to HIDOE systems remotely from home. The help desk will be able to assist with connectivity-related issues (e.g., network and WiFi connectivity), access and security issues, device support (e.g., devices, applications, software updates) and general IT support.

As the COVID-19 situation continues to evolve or as new health guidance becomes available, HIDOE will continue to adjust its [Return to Learn: School Reopening Plan](#) to ensure that a safe learning and working environment is provided for students, teachers and staff. Updates about the school year will continue to be posted on the Department's website and social media platforms ([Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) and [LinkedIn](#)).

### **Kalani Updates**

Kalani High School mailed home information regarding Kalani email addresses for incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders and students new to Kalani High School that are transferring from another high school. Please follow the directions to log in and create your own password. If you have any questions and / or need assistance, please email

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### **Registration / Yearbook and ID Picture Taking**

Due to Hurricane Douglas, school was closed for our make-up registration day. The new date is listed below

Schedule Pickup date : **August 12 (for all grades)**

Time: 8:30am-11:30am

Location: **Students pay fees and lunch payment at side window of main office**

**ID picture taking and yearbook picture in gym**

Lifetouch will be present to take the pictures

Number of students yet to pick up registration packet

Seniors: 42 Juniors: 49 Sophomore: 32 Freshmen: 37 Total: 160

## Parent Request for Student to Work From Home (100% Distance Learning)

For parents who are reluctant to send their child(ren) to school while Hawaii continues to deal with the community spread of COVID 19 - Please call the office (305-0500) and leave your name and contact information. The vice-principals will return your call to discuss our program and to schedule a meeting to discuss Kalani's on-line program. **Last date to turn in form is August 24. Once students receive courses and log on info from counselors, they may begin Edmentum Program.**

**Recent update from the DOE : The DOE has decided to ALLOW students who are fully enrolled (face-to-face, A/B rotation, hybrid, and 100% distance learning) in their schools to participate in athletics and other extracurricular activities.**

## Extracurricular activities

### Athletics - Fall Sports

**The Hawaii High School athletic Association has postponed the start of some of the fall sports to later in the year. Affected fall sports are cheerleading, cross country, football, and girls volleyball. The HHSAA also announced that air riflery and bowling, classified as low-risk sports with the implementation of safety guidelines, are slated to proceed in the fall as scheduled.**

Please understand that the start date for extracurricular activities is subject to change as HIDOE continues to monitor the situation and guidance issued by health and government officials.

*"We recognize the importance of extracurricular activities when it comes to the overall educational experience of our students. Given the current global health crisis, we are taking steps to ensure the safety of our students and staff while trying to balance a whole-child approach to learning that these programs provide," Superintendent Dr. Christina Kishimoto said. "We will continue to work closely with medical and health officials to evaluate our processes and procedures as this pandemic evolves."*

*Extracurricular and co-curricular activities include, but are not limited to, athletics, band, academic competitions and clubs.*

## **Please Welcome Teachers New to Kalani**

Dallas Correa	Science	Chase Sumida	Science - Chemistry	Cayla Pang	Science
Scott Iwanaga	Math	Andy Gokce	Math		
Tyler Mizota	Special Ed	Cheryl Sanders	Special Ed		
Kenn Kamoto	Art - Ceramics				
Tyson Matsui	Social Studies				

## **Keep Child Home if Sick**

### **Screening begins in the home.**

Families are the first line of defense against COVID19 and play a vital role in maintaining safety on campus. The number one safety measure during this time is to keep a child home if they are sick. We also understand that there are families with household members that are in the high-risk category. To help to control transmission and potential future outbreaks, we must all do our part to adhere with State Department of Health recommendations and regulations. Moreover, there may be times when we ask families to comply with broader safety measures and we appreciate your cooperation in this regard. Thank you (in advance) for your cooperation and compliance with our safety measures to mitigate the spread of COVID19. We also welcome your feedback (and questions). We are eager to listen to and help each family navigate any concerns that they have.

- If your child is sick, or if anyone in your family is sick, please keep them at home.
- Please take your child to a doctor so they can be tested and treated.
- Get a clearance from your doctor for your child to return to school.
- If your child displays symptoms of an illness, especially a fever, they will be isolated from other students and be sent home immediately from the health room.
- Please make sure the school has contact information for someone who is available to pick up your child immediately.
- Whether your child is physically in school or if they are doing schoolwork on a computer at home, attendance is very important.
- Look out for negative changes in behavior or emotional response due to stresses caused by the current health situation
- Share your concerns with your child's teacher or counselor immediately

## School Lunch Program

**Breakfast (grab and go) from 7:20 – 7:50am**

**Lunch will be available (grab and go)**

**Limited seating in cafeteria – Maintaining 6 foot distancing facing one direction – seats approximately 60**

**More open areas on campus for lunch. If we have inclement weather, the gym will also be open for students to eat lunch.**

## **Here is how Kalani High School is keeping everyone safe**

### General School

Frequent hand washings encouraged – additional restrooms open

Stay home if sick or if exposed to household member that has been in contact with an individual infected with COVID

The principal (or admin) will restrict access to campus for those individuals exhibiting any symptoms of illness.

## Here is how Kalani High School is keeping everyone safe ..... continued

Screening for Potential Illness: Kalani may screen employees, students and visitors for overt signs of illness. The purpose of screening would be for general symptoms of illness. Students with a fever will be removed from their class and parents/guardians will be contacted to arrange pick-up. Symptom checklist:

- feverish or unusually warm (has flushed cheeks)
- coughing/sneezing
- sore throat
- shortness of breath/difficulty breathing
- headache/stomach ache/nausea
- muscle pain/unusual fatigue
- new loss of taste or smell

Floor markings and signage around campus

- One way foot traffic
- Ground Floor – walk toward Hawaii Kai     2<sup>nd</sup> Floor – walk ewa
- Common walkways – keep (walk) to the right

Social emotional well-being:

- Greater attention to student social emotional well-being to meet our students' mental health needs.

COVID-19 Notification

If your child or someone in your household tests positive for COVID-19, you must notify our school office as soon as possible. Likewise, if we become aware of a confirmed active COVID-19 within our school community, we will inform you per DOH and DOE guidelines.

Travel

If your child has traveled outside our state, your child is required to follow the State of Hawaii quarantine orders and you are responsible for notifying our school. If your child has traveled outside the State and has been in contact with anyone who has tested positive for COVID-19, you must keep your child at home for 14 days. Your child will be able to continue learning via distance learning.

Before / After School

Adult sign-in : Procedures in place for health screenings of employees, students and visitors  
Kalani High School Employee Protocol  
Remote sign in for teachers. Exit side after checking mailbox.

Limited access for nonessential visitors and volunteers

- Non-Kalani High School Employee Protocol (ie. Speech Path, District Personnel)

- [COVID 19 - Visitor Health Screening](#)

Student Drop Off / Pick-up

- Drop Off : Between cafe and gym
- Pick-up : Multiple areas - maps will be distributed

Classrooms

- Face masks/coverings worn in school and in classrooms (with breaks as determined by teacher)
- Employees are responsible to bring and properly maintain their own face mask
- Face shields for all teachers
- Plexiglass barriers in common areas and for counselors and all teachers to meet with students
- Extra masks for students that forget or lose their mask
- Hand Sanitizers for each class
- 6 foot social distancing
- Excess Furniture to be stored in a container
- One way in – one way out of classrooms
- The sharing of items, school supplies, snacks, and personal belongings will be discouraged

Lunch

- Lunch will be “Grab and Go” – more open spaces on campus to eat outside during lunch
- Modifications will be made to increase safer physical and social distancing practices.

Students with symptoms

- Protocols in place for those who become sick on campus     Referred by teacher to Health Aide

Cleaning - Once per day by outside sanitation company

- Protocols in place for disinfecting surfaces

- Daily cleaning practices will be augmented with special attention paid to the cleaning of high touch surfaces.

Non-class time

- More areas open on campus with social distancing encouraged outside of classroom

Student Activities

- No assemblies or large students' gatherings per DOH / DOE Guidelines

- Athletic Events / Field Trips

- Student travel off-site during the school day and to off-island destinations will not be allowed until further notice.

## HIDOE launches 'Ohana Help Desk to support students and families with distance learning

The Hawai'i State Department of Education (HIDOE) today launched the nation's first statewide, comprehensive help desk providing technology support to public school students and their parents as schools offer more opportunities for online and blended learning.

The '[Ohana Help Desk](#) will provide self-service and chat support for families experiencing issues connecting to HIDOE systems remotely from home. The help desk will be able to assist with connectivity-related issues (e.g. network and wifi connectivity), access and security issues, device support (e.g. devices, applications, software updates) and general IT support.

While some school districts provide tech support to families, HIDOE's help desk is statewide and was designed with a higher level of support, with phone and chat support in multiple languages along with an online portal. The help desk will be able to provide phone support in languages most commonly spoken in Hawai'i households – English, Hawaiian, Ilokano, Tagalog, Chuukese and Marshallese.

"The 'Ohana Help Desk will be a tremendous resource for our parents and students who will be distance learning this school year to help resolve technical issues that may arise when students connect to the HIDOE network remotely using a variety of devices. We already provide a help desk service for our employees, and this is an extension of that effort," Superintendent Dr. Christina Kishimoto said. "Assisting families in their preferred language will ensure that all students can successfully connect with classrooms and virtual lessons."

The Department awarded a \$1.7 million contract to Hawaiian Telcom to establish the help desk.

**The 'Ohana Help Desk will be open to support students and parents:**

- By phone at (808) 643-DESK (3375) Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. and on Sundays from 4 to 8 p.m. The help desk will be closed on state holidays.
- Online 24/7 at [ohanahelpdesk.org](http://ohanahelpdesk.org) for self-service support and information.

## **Congratulations to our new Student Government Officers for SY20-21**

<u>KAS</u>			
President- Rina Ogino	Vice President- Cora Lau		
Secretary- Camille Dias	Treasurer- Tiana Matsuda	Historian- Amanda Le	
			<u>Class of 2021</u>
	President- Dominique Bonifacio	Secretary- Monica Mau	Treasurer- Alana Nakafuji
<u>Class of 2022</u>			
President- Jane Chon	Vice President- Enzo Yamagata		
Corresponding Secretary- Kristi Hirayama	Recording Secretary- Kela Seavey	Treasurer- Emily Kulaga	
			<u>Class of 2023</u>
President- Devin Nguyen	Vice President- Kacey Miura	Secretary- Sara Saiki	Treasurer- Taiga Sakai

## **STUDENT SECTION**

### COLLEGE AND CAREER GUIDANCE CENTER

Fall Early College classes and times      Classes begin Aug. 24,2020

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Room	Time
	Eng 270		Eng 270	On-line	after lunch 12:45 to 2:00 pm
	Eng 100		Eng 100	On-line	after lunch 12:45 to 2:00 pm
Psy 100		Psy 100		On-line	after school 2:15 to 3:30 pm

Hist 151		Hist 151		On-line	after school 2:15 to 3:30 pm
	Math 135		Math 135	On-line	after school 2:15 to 3:30 pm
Math 241		Math 241		On-line	after lunch 12:45 to 2:30 pm

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Manoa Academy

# Congratulations

## ACT Test – Perfect Score

**Lana Lubecke – ACT Perfect Score of 36**

Out of the 1.9 million students who take the test every year, only about 3,700 (0.19%) get the highest possible ACT score.  
Kalani Perfect Scores 2015 – Jacob Ly 2017 – Kacie Kajihara 2019 – Shirley Li 2020 – Reina Dreyer 2021 – Lana Lubecke

## PSAT/NMSQT Perfect Score

### **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 Visitations : Virtual College Informational Sessions**

We have also started a spreadsheet for popular colleges that Kalani students have talked about, WUE schools, etc. Many of the campuses have virtual tours and have additional resources listed on their page. Schools such as Puget Sound in Washington have virtual conference sign ups on their webpage. Many of the schools have shared their contact information and are willing to speak with anyone interested in their schools. Please email them if you have any questions. Be sure to be signed into your Kalani email account to view the spreadsheet. We will be updating the sheet as much as we can.

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1XuTPo-iPGwkbQT92DJCo93SJG-PgaF7hI3DQ4PLgiUU/edit?usp=sharing>

On a final note, please be sure to be an **ethical and safe user of technology**. Have a plain background with no personal information or photos, use appropriate language and be dressed appropriately. **Do NOT give out any personal information.**

Mrs. Hayashi and Mrs. Yoshida

## **FAFSA update:**

*Many colleges, universities and scholarships from organizations require students to have completed the FAFSA in order to be eligible. Merit based scholarships are not determined by financial need but by academic excellence. Many students lose out on opportunities such as these because they did not complete the FAFSA. 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 Guidance Counselors 808-305-0556

## **Juniors**

### **Attention Parents of Class of 2022 – 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.

## **Kalani Athletics**

Please contact Athletic Director Greg Van Cantfort for information on how to register your athlete and for information on the paperwork that needs to be done prior to try-outs. This will ensure that your child will have his/her paperwork in order when the DOE gives the okay for athletics to begin.

Athletics Website : <https://www.kalaniathletics.com/>

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