

TO: KHS Parents & Ohana, Guardians, Friends (03/24/17)

KALANI High School

WEEKLY E-BULLETIN

UPDATES FROM A.M. BULLETINS, FLYERS, ETC.

IMPORTANT DATES...

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| 1) Sunday, March 26 | Junior Prom |
| 2) Monday, March 27 | No School : Holiday – Prince Kuhio Day |
| 3) Thursday, March 30 | Falcons on Fire during advisory |
| 4) Monday, April 3 | Cap & Gown Distribution (Seniors) during advisory |
| 5) Thursday, April 6 | Report Card Distribution |
| 6) Friday, April 14 | Summer School Registration 7:00am – 10:00am in cafeteria |
| 7) Friday, April 14 | No School : Good Friday |
| 8) Wednesday, April 26 | Mandatory Student/Parent meeting (Seniors) 6:00pm @ cafeteria |
| 9) Wednesday, May 17 | Senior Awards Night |
| 10) Saturday, May 20 | Senior Prom |
| 11) Tuesday, May 23 | Graduation |
| 12) Friday, June 9 | Report Card ready for pick up in library |

Summer School : June 2 – July 7

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

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"A candle loses nothing by lighting another candle"

Congratulations

2017-2018 Student Government Officers

Congratulations to the following elected officers for next school year!

Class of 2020

- President: Sayaka Brown
- VP: Sho Matsumoto
- Corresponding Secretary: Noela Tuquero
- Recording Secretary: Bailey Miyashiro
- Treasurer: Remi Tsunoda

Class of 2019

- President: Taylor Kang
- VP: Ridge Ono
- Corresponding Secretary: Ashley Taylor
- Recording Secretary: Zoe Matayoshi
- Treasurer: Tianna Au

Class of 2018

- President: Cameron Woods
- VP: Ryan Leon Bracamontes
- Corresponding Secretary: Rosalyn Kagimoto
- Recording Secretary: Margaret Nakayama
- Treasurer: Cody Uehara

Kalani Association of Students

- President: Ryder Tanaka
- VP: Ann Tsuyuki
- Secretary: Melanie Yang
- Treasurer: Momo Tsuyuki
- Historian: Reina Dryer & Tyler Martinez
- HSSC Rep: Tesia Kim
- SCC Rep: Schuyler Otani

Go Falcons!

Members of the **Kalani High School Wind Ensemble** returned from Indianapolis, Indiana after participating in the **Music For All National Concert Band Festival**. These Wind Ensemble did an outstanding job. Bravo!

Congratulations also to Wind Ensemble members

Kassi Hatakenaka and Tiffany Nakayama

Kassi and Tiffany practiced and participated with the Honor Band of America at the **Music for All National Festival, presented by Yamaha**

Congratulations

Congratulations to Kalani's Robotics Team - Team Magma for winning the Engineering Inspiration Award at the Palmetto Regional in South Carolina. Winning this prestigious award qualifies the team for the World Competition in Houston in April. The Engineering Inspiration Award celebrates outstanding success in advancing respect and appreciation for engineering within a team's school or organization and community.

Congratulations to Bryan Silver and members of Team Magma

Science Fair Qualifiers for ISEF

Mika Ishii Emily Yang

Both students will represent the Honolulu District and the State of Hawaii at the International Science and Engineering Fair in California

Ocean Science Bowl

On Saturday, February 4th, 2017 high school students from all over the state competed in the Hawai'i Regional competition for the **National Ocean Sciences Bowl** (also known as the Aloha Bowl).

This educational program was developed to stimulate interest in the ocean sciences among high school students and demonstrate to the public the importance of the oceans in our daily lives. One of the long-term goals of the program is to foster the next generation of marine scientists, educators and policy makers for the ocean sciences. During the competition, students were asked three types of questions: toss-up buzzer questions, bonus questions and team-challenge questions. Unlike the oral questions, the team-challenge question was written out and handed to both teams at the completion of the first buzzer round. These questions required higher cognitive skills, often using visual aids such as charts, maps, and graphs and the students worked together to earn as many points as possible. Question difficulty increased as the competition progressed. All of the teams played each other in the morning round-robin rounds, with the top teams advancing to the double-elimination round. The winner of the last double-elimination round was crowned tournament champion.

Congratulations to Kalani's winning team of

Zoe Asahan, David Higashi, Daniel Huang, Mika Ishii and Rovi Porter

They will represent Hawai'i in the National Ocean Sciences Bowl held at Oregon State University (Corvallis) in April.

Honolulu District Science Fair Winners

Best of Category / Senior Research – results forthcoming

9 Projects qualified for State Science Fair

Congratulations to

Emily Yang	Effects of Amino Acid on Preimplantation Embryo Development
Brandon Stone	Gaze to Speech Application for Motor Impaired Students
Priscilla Hsu / Tryphena Hsu	An Energy Analysis of the Invasive Algae Species "Arvrainvillea Amadelpha"
Brandon Jim	Testing Cement Strength with Various Aggregates
Mika Ishii	Phytodesalination of Saline Soil Using Native Hawaiian Halophytes
David Higashi	Comparison of Optical Spectrum of Lunar Mare and Highland
Jordaynelexi Drasal	Technological Advancements of the Artificial Intelligence in Robotic Fish
Celine Nakamura	Creating an App to Reduce Time Students Spend Searching for College Information
Spencer Young	Improving Student Work through a Javascript Based Online Collaboration Platform

Shop for Higher Education

Kalani High School Parents...

Please support our seniors who will be applying for the Foodland Shop for Higher Education Scholarship. Between February 15th and March 28th, show your Maika'i card to any Foodland, Sack N Save, and Foodland Farms cashier and let them know you would like to support **KALANI HIGH SCHOOL!** The more points Kalani receives, Foodland will offer more scholarships for our seniors. So shop at Foodland!

NEWS

Construction on Campus

On January 30th, NAN Inc, General contractors, began the construction of the long awaited Girls Varsity Locker Room along with a new Judo and Wrestling Room. This new facility, a Title IX Project will be constructed between the gym and track. It will be the first new building on campus since the pool was built in 1975. The girls have been without a Varsity Locker Room since the school was built in 1958.

There is a Boys Varsity Locker Room.

Unfortunately, as with all construction projects, traffic has been re-routed on campus. Maps and other general information was sent out **last week**. We are grateful for all of your help in making a successful transition to the new route through our school. We had a minimum of problems before and after school. Your diligence and patience helps to provide for the safety of all members of our community of learners. We know that this new facility will enhance the overall education and experience for your child. **Thank you.**

Mahalo to Representative Mark Hashem for his support of this project.

Mitchell Otani - Principal

Installation of PV System at Kalani

Kalani will also be starting a project that will install a PV system on the rooftops of Buildings E, the Office and the cafeteria.

This project will lower the amount of electricity that the school uses during peak hours – thus, reduces our electricity bill.

STUDENT SECTION

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Events

March 30- Falcons on Fire

April 28- School-wide BBQ

Class Activities

Seniors – Graduation information

Cap and Gown orders You may place an order online at www.jostens.com or by mail, see Class of 2017 webpage for more details.

Graduation : Important dates:

April 3 (during advisory)- Cap & Gown Distribution

April 26 (6:00pm, cafeteria)- mandatory Student/Parent meeting

Juniors

Attention Class of 2018 parents! Please email kalanipg2018@gmail.com to receive information and news about Project Grad 2018.

Include the following in your email:

- Student's first and last name
- Student's email
- Father's first and last name
- Father's email
- Mother's first and last name
- Mother's email
- Contact # (optional)

CLUB News :

List of clubs

Chinese Club	CORE	Creative Dance Club	Future Farmers of America
Glee Club	GSA	HOSA	Interact Club
Key Club	KHOT	Korean Club	LEO Club
Math Team	Mock Trial	Polynesian Club	NHS
Robotics – Team 3008	Science Olympiad	Speech and Debate Team	DECA

New Clubs :

Falcon Sports

Drama Club

DECA

COLLEGE AND CAREER GUIDANCE CENTER

College Information

- Please visit the College & Career Center link on Kalani's webpage **kalanihighschool.org**
- Susan Arashiro / Yvette Achong College & Career Counselors (808)305-0556
- susan_arashiro@notes.k12.hi.us, yvette_achong@notes.k12.hi.us

CAREER & COLLEGE VISITATION SCHEDULE: Spring 2017

DATE	DAY	COLLEGE	TIME
MARCH			
30 th	Thurs	Applying to Colleges in Japan	11:00-Even
APRIL			
4 th	Tues	UC-Irvine	8:15-Odd
4 th	Tues	Chaminade University	11:00-Odd
4 th	Tues	KCC New Student Orientation (Seniors Only)	2:15-Odd
5 th	Wed	Northern Arizona University	1:00-Even
6 th	Thurs	U. S. Coast Guard	11:00-Odd
10 th	Mon	Savannah College of the Art & Design, GA	11:00-Odd
11 th	Tues	National College Fair at Honolulu Convention Ctr (Permission slips available 3/6 in C12) DUE: 3/15 (form & fee)	8:00-12:00 Even
13 th	Thurs	UH-Manoa (Former Kalani Alum)	9:45-Even
13 th	Thurs	Pacific Northwest College of the Arts, OR	1:00-Even

ACTIVITY PASSES for college visits must be approved by your teacher and submitted to C12 no later than the day BEFORE the visit. **TOURS require parent/teacher permission.**

ADVISORY begins at 10:52

Bold-faced – newest additions

Updated: 03.09.16 YA

History 151 at Kalani High School is limited to the first 25 students who submit all documents to C12 by March 1, 2017.

Minimum placement: Accuplacer Math 82 and English 100

or Exemptions (see College Counselors in C12 for ACT, SAT, Smarter-Balance, or high school GPA/Grades)

Seniors:

Request mid-year transcripts on Naviance & pay fee in C12, if needed.

Apply for scholarships (listed on Naviance & daily bulletin).

Request letters of recommendations & essay reviews in a timely manner. Finish 8th semester of high school strong!

College Acceptances

Dong Jin Hwang - Letter of Intent with Northwestern University

Emily Leong – University of Michigan

ATHLETICS – Go Falcons

ACADEMIC REVIEW STATUS: Next Grade check – April 10, 2017

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.

Eligibility Dates

April 24, 2017

May 8, 2017

May 22, 2017

Athletes on ARS cannot travel off-island for any pre-season tournaments or games.

This policy is in effect to allow the student-athlete to focus on academics (should not miss classes)

*Congratulations
HHSAA Champion
Czarina Pineda-Abaya*

HHSAA Wrestling 'State' Champion

HHSAA Runner-up Boys Basketball

OIA Champions *Boys Varsity Basketball* *Girls Varsity Basketball* *Girls Junior Varsity Crosscountry* *Girls OIA Swimming Relays*

Eastern Division Champions *Girls Air Riflery* *Girls Soft-Tennis* *Girls Varsity Basketball*

OIA JV Boys Basketball : OIA Runner-up

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Stay tuned for future activities

A+ Program Aide's needed at Manoa Elementary. Assist group leader in overseeing students after school till 5:30. Mon-Friday. \$32.50/day. Responsible applicants only. See Mrs Arashiro in C 12 for more information.

Awards / Student Recognition

Congratulations

National Merit Finalists

Congratulations to Kacie Kajihara and Emily Yang

National Merit Semi-Finalist

Congratulations to **Kacie Kajihara** and **Emily Yang**

Kacie and Emily are amongst the 16,000 Semifinalists (two of the 66 in the State of Hawaii) in the 62nd annual National Merit Scholarship Program. These two academically talented high school seniors have the opportunity to continue in the competition for some 7,400 National Merit Scholarships worth more than 32 million that will be offered in the spring.

The minimum qualifying score on last year's PSAT test to be a semi-finalist is 217.

Congratulations also to Christopher Lindsay (transfer from Iolani) who is also a National Merit Semi-Finalist.

National Merit Commended Students

The following students have been named Commended Students in the 2017 National Merit Scholarship Program. About 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are recognized for their exceptional academic promise. These Commended Students placed among the top 5% of more than 1.5 million students who entered the 2017 competition by taking the

Preliminary SAT / National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test last year.

"The young men and women named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding potential for academic success. They represent a valuable national resource; recognizing their accomplishments, as well as the key role Kalani High School plays in their academic development, is vital to the advancement of educational excellence in our nation. –National Merit Scholarship Corporation

Kobi Gima Kainalu Hagiwara Leslie Horita Matthew Oh Moriah Tom

Congratulations : Kacie Kajihara and Emily Yang

Candidates for Presidential Scholar (only 2 honorees per state)

The United States **Presidential Scholars** Program is a program of the Department of Education that recognizes the academic achievements of distinguished US citizens graduating high school. It is described as "one of the Nation's highest honors for high school students" in the United States of America. The U.S. Presidential Scholars Program was established in 1964, by executive order of the President, to recognize and honor some of our nation's most distinguished graduating high school seniors. Each year, up to 161 students (2 from each state) are named as Presidential Scholars, one of the nation's highest honors for high school students.

Class of 2017

Kacie Kajihara

Emily Yang

ACT : Perfect Score 36 SAT : 2310 740/770/800

ACT : 35

SAT : 2260 800/800/660

2017 Hawaii State DECA Competition

David Higashi : Medallion Winner for Marketing Communications

Niquerose Cacho and Sun Young Kim : Medallion Winners and Finalists for Financial Services

Ryan Leon Bracamontes and Melissa Yago : Medallion Winners and Finalists for Travel and Tourism Marketing

Niquerose Cacho : Second Highest Score for the Financial Services Exam

Niquerose Cacho and Sun Young Kim : Third place Trophy Winners for Financial Services

HOSA State Leadership Conference**Team Events:** Two Teams scored high enough to place second and third in their events, which qualifies them to compete at the International Leadership Conference (ILC) in Orlando Florida in June. .2nd Place : CERT Skills : Zoe Takeyama & Cheyne Nakamura3rd Place : Community Awareness : Tehani Hamano & Ofeira Petaia**Individual Events:** Nursing Assisting and Medical Assisting both had two rounds, written exam and performance based assessment. Our students scored high in both rounds, which also qualified them for ILC in Florida.2nd Place : Nursing Assisting : Briana Spencer2nd Place : Health Career Photography : Joohye Lee2nd Place : Medical Assisting : Eunice Park2nd Place : Medical Assisting : Ivy Huang2nd Place : Prepared Speaking : Quing Zeng**Pacific Asian Affairs Council Global Leadership Program**

Twenty students were selected for the Pacific and Asian Affairs Council Leadership Program for 2016-2017.

This 9 month program aims to improve participants' leadership skills, including effective communication, appreciation for diversity, public speaking, goal setting, accountability, and conflict resolution. The goal is to develop global citizens who are informed about global issues, empowered to make a difference, and feel connected with others around the world. Program components address personal leadership, social identity development, intercultural sensitivity and global citizenship.

Kalani is proud to announce that nine of our students were selected

Niquerose Cacho Lauren Horita Rosalyn Kagimoto Taylor Kang Kailer Okura**Ashley Taylor Jenna Tsuzaki Julia Tsuzaki Cameron Woods**Congratulations also to **Priscilla Hsu.**

Priscilla Hsu received a scholarship to go on a Philippine Study Tour (During Fall Break)

She traveled with Ms. Jill Takasaki Canfield. Executive Director, Pacific and Asian Affairs Council.

Kacie Kajihara2016 *National* FFA in Indianapolis, Indiana 1st top three finish for Hawaii in 55 yearsAgriscience Fair : 2nd Place Gold Medalist Kacie Kajihara Kalani FFA of Hawaii**Eddie Aikau Essay Contest****Mika Ishii - First Place****Maunakea Scholars Program**

Three ambitious Kalani High School students will conduct sophisticated astronomical research using some of the world's most powerful telescopes. The aspiring astronomers were awarded time to use two Maunakea observatories as a part of the Maunakea Scholars program-an innovative partnership between the Maunakea Observatories and the Hawaii State Department of Education (HIDOE).

Working alongside Institute for Astronomy graduate student mentors at the University of Hawaii, the students developed professional-style research proposals for the review and selection of the Maunakea Scholars time allocation committee.

The committee selected the three winning proposals:

Spencer Young was awarded two hours of observing time with the East Asian Observatory (EAO) using the James Clerk Maxwell Telescope (JCMT) POL-2 instruments for his research proposal, "Star forming regions and how they retain their shapes."**David Higashi** was awarded one hour of observing time with Canada-France-Hawaii Telescope (CFHT) using the instrument ESPaDOnS for his research proposal, "The Creation of the Moon."**Jordaynelexi Drasal** was awarded 30 minutes of observing time with CFHT using the instrument Megacam for her research proposal, "Globular Star Clusters."

Manoa Academy Pilot Program

Director of Global Studies, Lesley Thorne of the University of Hawaii College of Social Sciences is pleased to announce that five students from Kalani High School have been admitted into the University of Hawaii at Manoa through the Manoa Academy pilot program.

The admitted students are: Jin Kim Ikumi Utashiro Kalena Kimura Chengxi Liang Becky Lei

The Mānoa Academy is an innovative program offered by the College of Social Sciences (CSS) at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (UHM) for select Hawai'i high school juniors and seniors. Eligible students have the opportunity to enroll in three-credits of undergraduate coursework during the Spring 2017 semester on the Mānoa campus and earn early acceptance into UHM for Fall 2017 (Fall 2018 for high school juniors). The college course will meet degree requirements necessary to graduate with a degree from UH Mānoa. Classes will be offered during the week - after school or online. Mānoa Academy students will not only have access to University resources, but will also have the opportunity to work with undergraduate student tutors and mentors specific to their enrolled class.

National Public Radio features Kalani Musicians (from the Star Advertiser)

This will be the fifth time "From the Top" has come to Hawaii. In the past 12 years, NPR has produced seven shows on Oahu, Maui and Hawaii island. Sixteen-year-old Chance Yagi (senior) and his 18-year-old brother, Given (Class of 2016), both students at Kalani High School, performed at the Blaisdell. Both brothers play multiple instruments and various musical styles, including taiko, marching band and jazz, but will be playing ukulele for the NPR show with their award-winning group 4U Ukulele Quartet.

Youth Symphony

Youth Symphony I (21)

Everett Amemiya Fuma Fujiki Kurumi Kawata Sherry Tanaka Taichi Hirata Daniel Huang Ace Inouye
Margaret Nakayama Tiffany Nakayama Eunice Park Ryder Tanaka Shayn Toothman Austin Young Brandy Shinoda
Kacie Kajihara Crystal Lee Albert Mackey Emerlynn Shibayama Moriah Tom Chance Yagi Aileen Zhang

Youth Symphony II (16)

Kento Francisco Mika Ishii Cuyler Murata Karen Watarida Rika Haraguchi David Kimura Maxwell Miyasato
Sunny Nam Sunwoo Oh Joshua Romero Kaisei Shigeta Cara Yoshimi Jonah Blas Kassi Hatakenaka
Raquel Hernandez Alyssa Reyes

Concert Orchestra (5)

Toby Arakaki Kayleen Asuncion Tea Caliri Rena Caramonte Tyler Takemoto

Congratulations to the following students who were selected to the 2017 Oahu Band Directors' Select Band

Flute 2

Margaret Nakayama Sherry Tanaka

Bassoon 2

Everett Amemiya

Oboe 1

Kacie Kajihara Daniel Huang

Oboe 2

Chance Yagi

Clarinet 1

Kassi Hatakenaka

Clarinet 2

Tyler Takemoto

Alto Saxophone 1

Matthew Pokung Dale Emoto

Baritone Saxophone

Moriah Tom

Horn 2 / 3

Emerlynn Shibayama Crystal Lee

Horn 4

Raquel Hernandez, Kalani

Trumpet 1

Taichi Hirata

Trumpet 2

Tiffany Nakayama

Euphonium

Cuyler Murata

Tuba

Kaisei Shigeta Zachariah Finefeuiaki

Percussion (alpha order)

Jesse Cumpston

Shayn Toothman

Artsy Students

2017 Hawaii Regional Scholastic Art Awards

Congratulations to the following students who won Awards in the 2017 Scholastic Art Contest.

Teacher : Mr. James Mosher

Gold Key

Chantel Nagelmann : Grade 12 : Aji

Malia Neumann : Grade 11 : thousands

Kotone Utagawa : Grade 12 : Howling Cat

Silver Key

Melody Azeka : Grade 12 : Abyss

Tyler Leong : Grade 10 : Dylan

Keiorah Stinson : Grade 12 : Safe Harbor

Kotone Utagawa : Grade 12 : Psycho Paradox

Aloha Harvest Compassion (Art) Competition Winners

Congratulations to the following students who were recognized for their artwork in this year's

Aloha Harvest's Compassion in the Arts Contest

First Place : Kento Inoue – Sculpture "Identity"

Third Place : Austin Mills – Sculpture "Hope"

Honorable Mention : Chevy Ishida – Mixed Media "Helping Hands"

Teacher : Janice Miyoshi

Congratulations Bryazha Caires : Miss Kapahulu Teen USA

WORLD CONSERVATION CONGRESS

<http://khon2.com/2016/09/05/world-conservation-congress-addresses-severity-of-climate-change-rising-sea-levels/>

Rianne Pada wrote an article on the World Conservation Congress for Civil Beat. Please see below for the link. Great job, Rianne!

<http://www.civilbeat.org/2016/09/iucn-if-they-can-do-it-why-cant-i/>

Awards / Teacher Recognition

Bryan Silver : 7-12 Presidential Awardee for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching

Partnerships

Japan Super Science Fair

Kalani High School was well represented at this year's Japan Super Science Fair in Kyoto, Japan.

Leslie Horita, Kacie Kajihara, Moriah Tom, Chance Yagi and Emily Yang (accompanied by Mr. Okawa) presented their research topic "Effect of Myostatin Inhibition on Rheumatoid Arthritis" and performed their Cultural Presentation last week 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 are 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.

Jeju Student Forum

Kalani High School was well represented at the Jeju Student Forum in Korea. Erin Terada, Shayn Toothman, Kaitlyn Yong and Austin Young (accompanied by Counselor Trevor Teraoka) represented Hawaii and the United States. 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. It is indeed hoped that this year's Forum served as a way for our students to form global friendships and cooperation through the virtues of understanding, enthusiasm, wisdom, and trust.

Mahalo to the Department of Business and Economic Development for sponsoring this trip.

Congratulations Austin Young. He received a Certificate of Appointment from the Governor of Jeju.

Austin and one Jeju student were selected as Jeju Honorary Youth Ambassadors.

**Kalani High School to Participate in the College Board's AP Capstone™ Program
Diploma Program Focuses on Inquiry, Research, and Writing Skills Crucial for College and Career Success**

Honolulu, Hawaii — Kalani High School is one of approximately 1,000 schools worldwide to implement AP Capstone™—an innovative diploma program that allows students to develop the skills that matter most for college success: research, collaboration, and communication. The program consists of two courses taken in sequence: AP® Seminar and AP Research. Developed in direct response to feedback from higher education faculty and college admission officers, AP Capstone complements the in-depth, subject-specific study of other Advanced Placement® courses and exams.

Students who earn scores of 3 or higher on AP Seminar and AP Research assessments and on four additional AP Exams of their choosing will earn the AP Capstone Diploma™. This signifies their outstanding academic achievement and attainment of college-level academic and research skills. Students who earn scores of 3 or higher on both AP Seminar and AP Research assessments only (but not on four additional AP Exams) will earn the AP Seminar and Research Certificate™. Kalani High School will start AP Seminar in the fall of 2017.

“This innovative program gets a broader, more diverse student population ready for college and beyond.. The program gives our teachers more leeway with curriculum choices so their students can access more challenging coursework and sharpen their reading and writing skills.”

- Mitchell Otani, Principal

The AP Seminar course, typically taken in 10th or 11th grade, equips students with the ability to look at real-world issues from multiple perspectives. Through a variety of materials—articles to research studies to foundational and philosophical texts— students tackle complex questions; understand and evaluate opposing viewpoints; interpret and synthesize information; and construct, communicate, and defend evidence-based arguments. Education, innovation, sustainability, and technology are examples of themes or topics covered in AP Seminar. However, teachers have the flexibility to choose subject content based on student interests, whether local, regional, national, or global. By tapping into students’ personal interests, AP Capstone gives students from a wide range of backgrounds an entry point into stimulating coursework more than ever before. Students are assessed through: a team project and presentation, an individual project and presentation, and an end-of-course written exam.

In the subsequent AP Research course, students design, plan, and conduct a yearlong research-based investigation on a topic of individual interest, documenting their process with a portfolio. Students build on skills developed in the AP Seminar course by learning how to understand research methodology; employ ethical research practices; and collect, analyze, and synthesize information to build, present, and defend an argument.

Kalani High School announces Partnership with the University of Hawaii Center for Cognitive Behavior Therapy

Kalani High School is excited to announce our new partnership with the University of Hawaii Center for Cognitive Behavior Therapy. We would like to welcome our newest partner to our Community of Learners.

Alumni information

Congratulations

Governor Ige appoints Derrick Chan to Intermediate Court of Appeals – Kalani 1974

Miss Hawaii Allison Chu - Kalani 2011

68th Narcissus Queen Lesly Lan Yin Goo – Kalani 2009