

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

# 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) Thursday, April 6  | Report Card Distribution                                 |
| 5) Friday, April 14   | Summer School Registration 7:00am – 10:00am in cafeteria |
| 6) Friday, April 14   | No School : Good Friday                                  |
| 7) Wednesday, May 17  | Senior Awards Night                                      |
| 8) Saturday, May 20   | Senior Prom  |
| 9) Tuesday, May 23    | Graduation   |
| 10) Friday, June 9    | Report Card ready for pick up in library                 |

Spring Break : March 20 – 24  
Freshmen Support Program : March 20 – 24  
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*

Congratulations to all the DECA participants at the 2017 Hawaii State DECA Competition.  
Thank you for all your hard work and dedication! What amazing results for our first attempt!

- Lisa Potterton

- 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. Both scored high enough on their first round written exam to qualify them to compete in a second round “Performance Based Assessment”.

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place : CERT Skills : Zoe Takeyama & Cheyne Nakamura
- 3<sup>rd</sup> 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. Health Career Photography and Prepare Speaking competitors were just given a one time performance based assessment.

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place : Nursing Assisting : Briana Spencer
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place : Health Career Photography : Joohye Lee
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place : Medical Assisting : Eunice Park
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place : Medical Assisting : Ivy Huang
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place : Prepared Speaking : Quing Zeng

**Graduation** : Important dates:  
April 3 (during advisory)- Cap & Gown Distribution  
April 26 (6:00pm, cafeteria)- mandatory Student/Parent meeting

# *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 Amadelpa"
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 30<sup>th</sup>, 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**

### **Skateboard Rack**

Students, some of you have already noticed, we have a skateboard dock on campus near the main office. We understand that skateboards are a mode of transportation and we want to accommodate as many of you as we can but we currently ONLY have 20 slots. It will be on a first come first serve basis, so if you are interested in a slot, please come to the office to get a registration form. We also ask that you abide by the following when skateboarding to school:

- WHEN ON CAMPUS WITH A SKATEBOARD YOU MUST WALK IT AT ALL TIMES; THIS IS FOR YOUR SAFETY AND THE SAFETY OF OTHERS.
- DO NOT ride your skateboard anywhere in the buildings. Any student caught riding their skateboard in the building will have the item confiscated and kept in the office until a parent comes to retrieve it.
- Need to complete a skateboard registration form to use a slot. (first come first serve basis)
- \* Lock your skateboard individually, not to another student's slot. (NO SHARING of locks.)
- Lock your skateboard immediately upon entering the building and do not remove it from the locker until school dismissal.

**UH Center for Cognitive Behavior Therapy (CCBT) and Kalani HS Collaboration,  
UH Mānoa LGBTQ+ High School Empowerment Workshop – Canceled**

### **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](http://www.jostens.com) or by mail, see Class of 2017 webpage for more details.

#### **Juniors**

Attention Class of 2018 parents! Please email [kalanipg2018@gmail.com](mailto: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**

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

##### **New Clubs :**

**Falcon Esports**  
**Drama Club**  
**DECA**

## **COLLEGE AND CAREER GUIDANCE CENTER**

### **College Information**

- Please visit the College & Career Center link on Kalani's webpage **[kalanihighschool.org](http://kalanihighschool.org)**
- Susan Arashiro / Yvette Achong College & Career Counselors (808)305-0556
- [susan\\_arashiro@notes.k12.hi.us](mailto:susan_arashiro@notes.k12.hi.us), [yvette\\_achong@notes.k12.hi.us](mailto:yvette_achong@notes.k12.hi.us)

**CAREER & COLLEGE VISITATION SCHEDULE: Spring 2017**

DATE	DAY	COLLEGE	TIME
<b>MARCH</b>			
18 <sup>th</sup>	Sat	University of Portland Reception at Ala Moana Hotel RSVP <a href="https://uportland.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_afm8TJOGxBfEUS1">https://uportland.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_afm8TJOGxBfEUS1</a>	10:30-12:00
30 <sup>th</sup>	Thurs	Applying to Colleges in Japan	11:00-Even
<b>APRIL</b>			
4 <sup>th</sup>	Tues	UC-Irvine	8:15-Odd
4 <sup>th</sup>	Tues	<b>Chaminade University</b>	11:00-Odd
4 <sup>th</sup>	Tues	<b>KCC New Student Orientation (Seniors Only)</b>	2:15-Odd
5 <sup>th</sup>	Wed	Northern Arizona University	1:00-Even
6 <sup>th</sup>	Thurs	U. S. Coast Guard	11:00-Odd
10 <sup>th</sup>	Mon	Savannah College of the Art & Design, GA	11:00-Odd
11 <sup>th</sup>	Tues	National College Fair at Honolulu Convention Ctr (Permission slips available 3/6 in C12) <b>DUE: 3/15 (form &amp; fee)</b>	8:00-12:00 Even
13 <sup>th</sup>	Thurs	UH-Manoa (Former Kalani Alum)	9:45-Even
13 <sup>th</sup>	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 – March 20, 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 10, 2017

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 62<sup>nd</sup> 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

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

Emily Yang

ACT : 35 SAT : 2260 800/800/660

### **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 Kajihara**

2016 *National* FFA in Indianapolis, Indiana 1st top three finish for Hawaii in 55 years  
Agriscience Fair : 2<sup>nd</sup> 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