

TO: KHS Parents & Ohana, Guardians, Friends (05/23/17)

# *KALANI High School*

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

## **IMPORTANT DATES...**

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|--------------------|--|
| 1) Tuesday, May 23 | Graduation                               |
| 2) Friday, May 26  | Last day for students                    |
| 2) Friday, June 9  | Report Card ready for pick up in library |

July 18 (Grades 11 and 12) – July19 (Grades 9 and 10) : Registration  
**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 to Kalani High School's Class of 2017 Valedictorians*

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| <i>Zoe Asahan - University of Hawaii Manoa</i>                       | <i>Bryazha Cairns - University of Hawaii Manoa</i>      |
| <i>Mary Garrison - University of Hawaii Manoa</i>                    | <i>Kobi Gima - University of Hawaii Manoa</i>           |
| <i>Jocelyn Grandinetti - University of Hawaii Manoa</i>              | <i>Victoria Hahn - University of Hawaii Manoa</i>       |
| <i>Leslie Horita - Oregon State University</i>                       | <i>Ivy Huang - University of Hawaii Manoa</i>           |
| <i>Brandon Jim - Portland State University</i>                       | <i>Kacie Kajihara - University of Hawaii Manoa</i>      |
| <i>Kelli Kimura - University of Hawaii Manoa</i>                     | <i>James Lawhn - University of Kansas</i>               |
| <i>Emily Leong - University of Michigan</i>                          | <i>Megan Li - Chapman University</i>                    |
| <i>Cheyenne LoRusso - Seton Hall University</i>                      | <i>Sara Marsumura - University of Hawaii Manoa</i>      |
| <i>Masanari Mitsui - Waseda University</i>                           | <i>Haruka Mukoyama - University of California Davis</i> |
| <i>Sara Nakagaki - University of Hawaii Manoa</i>                    | <i>Alyssa Nishi - Loyola Marymount University</i>       |
| <i>Tristyn Norwood - University of Hawaii Manoa</i>                  | <i>Joy Okimoto - University of Hawaii Manoa</i>         |
| <i>Daisuke Otagiri - University of California Irvine</i>             | <i>Briana Spencer - George Fox University</i>           |
| <i>Brandon Stone - Portland State University</i>                     | <i>Moriah Tom - Brown University</i>                    |
| <i>Ikumi Utashiro - University of Hawaii Manoa</i>                   | <i>Chance Yagi - Loyola Marymount University</i>        |
| <i>Melissa Yago - Coast Guard Academy</i>                            | <i>Emily Yang - University of Southern California</i>   |
| <i>Koby Yoshimi - Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Prescott</i> | <i>Spencer Young - University of Hawaii Manoa</i>       |
| <i>Raellis Young - University of Hawaii Manoa</i>                    |   |

## *Principals Award Emily Yang*

*Hawaii's Female Presidential Scholar for 2017  
Accepted to the University of Southern California Class of 2021*

*Presidential Scholar Nominee  
Kacie Kajihara*

*National Merit Finalists  
Kacie Kajihara and Emily Yang*

*Takitani Award  
Emily Yang*

*Citizenship Award  
Mary Garrison*

*National Merit Commended Students*

*Kobi Gima Kainalu Hagiwara Leslie Horita Matthew Oh Moriah Tom*

*University of Hawaii Regents Scholars*

*Kacie Kajihara and Moriah Tom*

*University of Hawaii Chancellor Scholarship Awardees*

*Zoe Asahan Mary Garrison Kobi Gima Jocelyn Grandinetti  
Victoria Hahn James Lawhn Sara Matsumura Joy Okimoto  
Chance Yagi Melissa Yago Emily Yang Raellis Young*

***Kalani High School Class of 2017***

**Accepted to the following Colleges/Universities:**

Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Services Azusa Pacific University Biola University Boston University  
Brandeis University Brigham Young University – Hawaii Brigham Young University – Provo, Utah Brown University  
California Baptist University California Poly San Luis Obispo California State University Maritime Academy  
California State University Polytechnic, Pomona Central Washington University Chaminade University  
Chapman University Chico State University Cleveland Institute of Music Coast Guard Academy Prep School  
Colorado Mesa University Columbia University Concordia University, Irvine Concordia University, Portland  
Corban University Creighton University DePaul University DePauw University Dixie State University  
Doshisha University, Kyoto Drexel University Eastern Washington University Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University  
Emerson College Emmanuel College Emory University Everett Community College Franklin Peirce University  
George Fox University George Mason University Gonzaga University Grand Canyon University  
Hawaii Pacific University Honolulu Community College Humboldt State University Indiana State University  
Johns Hopkins University John Jay College of Criminal Justice Johnson and Wales University  
Kapiolani Community College Leeward Community College Lewis and Clark College Linfield College  
Long Beach City College Loyola Marymount University Loyola University, Chicago Loyola University, New Orleans  
Marist College Menlo College New England Conservatory of Music New Mexico Military Institute  
Northern Arizona University North Park University Northwestern University Occidental University  
Oregon State University Pacific Lutheran University Peabody Institute of the Johns Hopkins University  
Pennsylvania State University Philadelphia University Point Loma Nazarene University Portland State University  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Richmond University Ritsumeikan University, Kyoto Rochester Institute of Technology  
Rutgers University Saint Louis University St. Martin's University San Diego State University  
San Francisco State University Santa Clara University Santa Monica College Savannah College of Art and Design  
Seattle University Seattle Pacific University Seton Hall University Sophia University Southern Oregon University  
Spring Hill College Stonehill College The American International University in London  
The City University of NY Baruch College University of Alaska Anchorage University of Arizona  
University of California – Berkeley University of California – Davis University of California – Irvine  
University of California – San Diego University of California – Santa Cruz University of Colorado – Boulder  
University of Colorado – Colorado Springs University of Denver University of Gothenburg  
University of Hawaii at Hilo University of Hawaii at Manoa University of Illinois at Chicago University of Kansas  
University of Michigan University of North Dakota University of Nevada – Las Vegas University of New Hampshire  
University of New Haven University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill University of Northern Colorado  
University of Oregon University of Portland University of Puget Sound University of Richmond  
University of St. Johns University of San Diego University of San Francisco University of Southern California  
University of the Pacific University of Washington at Bothell University of Washington  
University of Wisconsin, Madison Utah State University Vanderbilt University Waseda University  
Washington State University Western Oregon University Western Washington University Whittier College  
Whitworth University Willamette University

***National Merit Scholarship Program***

*The following juniors took the PSAT/National Merit Qualifying Test and met the requirements to enter the 2017 National Merit Scholarship Program. With an index score of 209 or above, these high performers show outstanding academic potential. Listed alphabetically .....*

*Lilianne Au Victor Ho*

*Other Awards  
Congratulations to*

Albert Mackey got the Emerson Scholarship to attend the prestigious Interlochen Summer Camp  
Kelsey Lei for placing 3rd in the 1st District Congressional Art Competition – work titled ‘Grasp’  
Jazzlyn Luke, Zheng Xian Lu and Kacie Sakamaki - Youth Art Month Winners

**Construction on Campus**

Work continues on the Girls Varsity Locker Room Project. This new facility, a Title IX Project is being 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. Traffic will be re-routed beginning June 1<sup>st</sup> to allow for trenching of the utilities for the building. A new map explain the traffic flow will be sent out before summer school begins. 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*

**STUDENT SECTION**

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT**

Events

SY2017-2018 Fall events forthcoming

**UH Center for Cognitive Behavior Therapy (CCBT) and Kalani HS Collaboration  
Highlighted Mental Health Topic of the Month: Healthy and Productive Summers**

Congratulations to everyone for a great year! In order to prepare for the months ahead, CCBT staff wanted to provide some tips on encouraging a healthy summer. Research shows keeping your children active over the summer is helpful to their well-being. In fact, studies show that many setbacks often occur during the summer months. To keep your teen focused and on the right path, you’ll want to find some ways to keep him/her busy over the summer. Some recommendations are to: (a) Develop a plan and talk it over with them beforehand including structure, routines, and mutually agreed rules, (b) Encourage healthy and consistent sleep patterns, (c) Help teens to have focus/purpose/goals for the summer, (d) Get them engaged in the community (work/volunteer/play). For opportunities to participate in summer groups including robotics, arts, and wildlife go to: (1) <http://www.kaimukihawaii.com/d/c/summer-programs-honolulu-hawaii.html> (2) <http://kuai.crdg.hawaii.edu/store/summerprograms/>.

**Class Activities**

**Juniors**

Attention Class of 2018 parents! Please email [kalanipg2018@gmail.com](mailto:kalanipg2018@gmail.com) to receive information and news about Project Grad 2018.

**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 Esports**

**Drama Club**

**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)

**ATHLETICS – Go Falcons**

**MALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR – *Micah Kawano***

**FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR – *Czarina Pineda-Abaya***

**MALE SCHOLAR ATHLETE - *Masanari Mitsui***

**FEMALE SCHOLAR ATHLETE – *Emily Yang***

## IRON FALCON AWARD - 4 VARSITY SPORTS

*Kailer Okura*

### FALCON TRIFECTA AWARD - 3 VARSITY SPORTS

Kai Anderson	Trina Chun	Chara Higaki	Kaito Higashi	Rosalyn Kagimoto	Hanale Kamakawiwoole
Akira Karasawa	Ryan Leon Bracamontes	Charity Lopes	Logan Matsuoka	Tiffany Nakayama	
Mika O'Shea	Angela Pacheco	Helen Park	Rovi Porter	Isabel Rogers	Pablo Ruelas
	Seth Tina Soberano	Thanh Tran	Ryu Yamane		

### KALANI HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC AWARDS

<i>SPORT MVP</i>	<i>NAME</i>
BASEBALL	KOHL SUEHIRO
BOYS AIR RIFLE	NICHOLAS VENTENILLA
BOYS BASKETBALL	MICAH KAWANO
BOYS BOWLING	DYLAN SHUGART
BOYS CROSS COUNTRY	AUSTIN YOUNG
BOYS JUDO	DAVID HIGASHI, KAILER OKURA
BOYS PADDLING	ROSS YAMANE
BOYS SOCCER	TANNER ARAKAKI
BOYS SOFT TENNIS	JUSTIN TERADA
BOYS SWIMMING	DONG JIN HWANG
BOYS TENNIS	KOBY MURATA
BOYS TRACK	LOGAN MATSUOKA LEIMANA, NAKI, SETH TINA- SOBERANO
BOYS VOLLEYBALL	JOHNATHAN HOBBY
BOYS WRESTLING	MACEY HONJIYO
SIDELINE CHEER	JAEMI HARRIS
FOOTBALL	SETH TINA-SOBERANO
FOOTBALL - OFFENSE	GAGE QUINABO-REIS
FOOTBALL - DEFENSE	HEATHER MAR
GIRLS AIR RIFLE	KIRSTIN KOUCHI
GIRLS BASKETBALL	ZOE ASAHAN
GIRLS BOWLING	TRINA CHUN
GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY	MIKI MANTA, MELISSA YAGO
GIRLS GOLF	CZARINA PINEDA-ABAYA
GIRLS JUDO	THANH TRAN
GIRLS PADDLING	ROVI PORTER
GIRLS SOCCER	KELLI KIMURA
GIRLS SOFT TENNIS	SHIRLEY LI
GIRLS SWIMMING	DALE EMOTO
GIRLS TENNIS	EMILY LEONG
GIRLS TRACK	OFEIRA-LAINA PETAIA
GIRLS VOLLEYBALL	CZARINA PINEDA-ABAYA
GIRLS WRESTLING	CHAYLEN HAKIKAWA
COMPETITIVE CHEER	CHERISE HORITA, TONY-LYNN IBARA
SOFTBALL	CHARITY LOPES
WATER POLO	

***Congratulations - Spring Sports  
HHSAA Champion  
Czarina Pineda-Abaya and Kailer Okura***

HHSAA Results

Golf Girls – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place                      Judo Girls – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place  
Golf Boys – 9<sup>th</sup> Place                              Softball – Consolation Champion

HHSAA Individual

2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Zoe Tateyama  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Phoebe Pineda-Abaya  
6<sup>th</sup> Place – Miki Manta

**OIA Results**

Golf	OIA Girls Individual	2 <sup>nd</sup>		
		2 <sup>nd</sup>	Miki Manta	
		7 <sup>th</sup>	Michelle Kim	
		14 <sup>th</sup>	Kainani Ho	
Golf	OIA Boys Individual	3 <sup>rd</sup>		
		3 <sup>rd</sup>	Robert Choi	
		12 <sup>th</sup>	Curtis Meares	
Judo	Girls Individual	OIA lost in the semi-finals		
		1 <sup>st</sup>	Czarina Pineda-Abaya	
		2 <sup>nd</sup>	Zoe Tateyama	
		3 <sup>rd</sup>	Phoebe Pineda-Abaya	
		5 <sup>th</sup>	Kyara Tagami	
		5 <sup>th</sup>	Rosalyn Kajimoto	
		7 <sup>th</sup>	Margaret Nakayama	
		8 <sup>th</sup>	Ava Chan	
		Boys Individual	OIA lost in the quarter-finals	
			1 <sup>st</sup>	Kailer Okura
			2 <sup>nd</sup>	David Higashi
			7 <sup>th</sup>	Everett Amemiya
			7 <sup>th</sup>	Matthew Young
7 <sup>th</sup>	Khris Hokama-Decker			
8 <sup>th</sup>	Austin Park			
Softball	Div II - OIA Runner-up			
Tennis	Girls	OIA lost in the semi-finals		
		Individual	4 <sup>th</sup>	Koby Murata
			7 <sup>th</sup>	Chad Aoki
	11 <sup>th</sup>		Nickolas Ashikawa	
	Individual	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Dale Emoto	
		4 <sup>th</sup>	Jin Kim / Isabel Rogers	
		7 <sup>th</sup>	Alyssa Nishi / Kelly Kwak	
		10 <sup>th</sup>	Jordyn Tanaka / Cyrah Strawn	
	Track and Field	OIA Girls Individual	6 <sup>th</sup>	
			2 <sup>nd</sup>	Emily Leong - Triple Jump
2 <sup>nd</sup>			Azure Chung - Long Jump	
3 <sup>rd</sup>			Emily Leong - Long Jump	
3 <sup>rd</sup>			Cameron Woods - 100 Meter High Hurdles	
5 <sup>th</sup>			4x100 Relay      Chara Higaki ... Julia Tsuzaki ... Emily Leong ... Azure Chung	
Water Polo	OIA - 3 <sup>rd</sup>			

**Eastern Division Champions**

Girls Varsity Tennis

Girls Varsity Golf

**Eastern Division Runner-up**

Boys Varsity Tennis

Boys Varsity Golf

Baseball

Girls Varsity Track and Field

Girls Junior Varsity Track and Field

Girls Varsity Judo

**Eastern Division Individual Champions**

Miki Manta – Girls Varsity Golf

Dale Emoto – Girls Varsity Tennis

Emily Leong – Girls Varsity Track and Field [Long Jump and Triple Jump]

Azure Chung – Girls Junior Varsity Track and Field [100m, 200m, Long Jump]

Kai Sigler – Boys Junior Varsity Track and Field [400m and 4x400]

Names pending - Boys Junior Varsity 4x400 Relay

***Fall and Winter Sports***

***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

## **Awards / Student Recognition**

### ***Congratulations***

**Presidential Scholar**

**Emily Yang**

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 are named as Presidential Scholars, one of the nation's highest honors for high school students. The 2017 U.S. Presidential Scholars are comprised of **one young man and one young woman** from each state, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, and from U.S. families living abroad

The selection of approximately 4,000 original program candidates generally is made based on SAT and ACT scores. Test scores in each of the states/jurisdictions are reviewed, and the total SAT score is compared to the ACT Sum of Scores. Each student's highest test score (in a single test administration) is identified; duplicates and/or lower scores are dropped. In each state, scores are ranked from high to low. Approximately twenty females and twenty males are selected as candidates from each state, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and from families of U.S. citizens living abroad based on SAT and ACT scores.

Application is by invitation only; therefore, students may not apply individually to the Program, nor may their schools nominate them. A review committee of qualified individuals experienced in secondary and post-secondary education evaluates candidates on their academic achievement, personal characteristics, leadership and service activities, and an analysis of their essay. Approximately 800 candidates are named semifinalists and forwarded to the Commission for further review.

In April, the Commission on Presidential Scholars reviews the applications of all semifinalists based on the same criteria used by the review committee. The Commission selects up to 161 U.S. Presidential Scholars each year. All scholars are honored for their accomplishments during the National Recognition Program, held in June in Washington, D.C. U.S. Presidential Scholars are guests of the Commission during the National Recognition Program and enjoy an expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C., to meet with government officials, educators, and other accomplished people. To commemorate their achievement, the Scholars are awarded the U.S. Presidential Scholars medallion at a ceremony sponsored by the White House.

For over 50 years, this unique federal program has honored over 7,000 U.S. Presidential Scholars, who have demonstrated leadership, scholarship, and contribution to school and community. The work of the Commission on Presidential Scholars reaffirms, on behalf of the President, the Nation's commitment to education.

### **National Merit Finalists**

Congratulations to Kacie Kajihara and Emily Yang

### **National Merit Scholarship**

Congratulations to **Emily Yang**

Emily has been selected as a winner of a National Merit \$2,500 Scholarship

### **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.

### University of Hawaii Regent Scholar

Kacie Kajihara      Moriah Tom

### University of Hawaii Chancellor Scholarship Awardees

Zoe Asahan      Mary Garrison      Kobi Gima      Jocelyn Grandinetti  
Victoria Hahn      James Lawhn      Sara Matsumura      Joy Okimoto  
Chance Yagi      Melissa Yago      Emily Yang      Raellis Young

### Citizenship Award

The Citizenship Award recognizes 44 seniors (one from each of the 44 public high schools in the state) for their scholastic achievements and their praiseworthy contributions to making Hawaii a better place through public service.

Congratulations to **Mary Garrison**

### Class of 2017

Kacie Kajihara

Emily Yang

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

ACT : 35

SAT : 2260      800/800/660

### 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).

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.

### Science Fair Qualifiers for ISEF

Mika Ishii      Emily Yang

### Hawaii State Science Fair Winners

Category Winners

Cell & Molecular Biology - Emily Yang - 2nd place

Embedded Systems - Brandon Stone - 1st place

Environmental Engineering - Mika Ishii - 2nd place

Robotics & Intelligent Machines - Jordaynelexi Drasal - 2nd place

Special Awards

Jordaynelexi Drasal - McInerny Foundation Scholarship

Mika Ishii - Environ Control Award, May Nishioka Pioneer Award, and Ricoh USA Award

Brandon Jim - UH Manoa College of Engineering Award

Brandon Stone - McInerny Foundation Scholarship, Perron Innovation Award, and UH College of Engineering Award

Emily Yang - Associated Chinese University Women's Inc. Award, Clinical Labs Award, and US Army Award

Teacher Award      Bryan Silver - McInerny Foundation

### 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. .

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.

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

### **Congratulations to Bryan Silver and members of Team Magma**

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.

### **FIRST Robotics - Hawaii Regional**

#### **First Dean's List Finalist Award - Rovi Porter**

In an effort to recognize the leadership and dedication of *FIRST*'s most outstanding secondary school students, the Kamen family sponsors awards for selected 10th or 11th grade\* students known as the *FIRST* Robotics Competition® *FIRST* Dean's List Award

#### **Creativity Award sponsored by Xerox Awarded to Kalani High School**

Celebrates creativity in design, use of component, or strategy of play.

### **Honolulu District Science Fair Winners**

#### **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

### **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.

### **Pacific and Asian Affairs Council Scholarships**

Presented to

Priscilla Hsu : Dr. Rosita Leong Scholarship to participate in Fall Study Tour to the Philippines

Kailer Okura : Summer Study Tour to China sponsored by the Freedom Foundation

Cameron Woods, Jenna Tsuzaki, Julia Tsuzaki : Service Learning Tour to Vietnam sponsored by the Takitani Foundation

Erin Terada : Eddie Tangen Scholarship in the amount of \$300

The students below are participants in the Global Leadership Program sponsored by the Atherton Foundation

Lauren Horita, Taylor Kang, Ashley Taylor

Niquerose Cacho, Rosalyn Kagimoto, Kailer Okura, Jenna Tsuzaki, Julia Tsuzaki, Cameron Woods

### **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.

*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.

Members of the **Kalani High School Wind Ensemble** participated in the **Music For All National Concert Band Festival**.

**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**

### **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

**Falcons On Fire results**

1st place: Brandon x2 (Brandon Stone and Brandon Jim)  
2nd place: Sabrina Foley                      3rd: Hawaii Loves Ukulele (Kapono Wong, Toby Arakaki, Bronson Pacheco)  
Congratulations to all of the participants and our winners

**Artsy Students**

**Scholastic Art and Writing Awards**

The following students have earned National Awards in the 2017 Scholastic Art and Writing Award Program  
This year, more than 330,000 works of art and writing were submitted. Less than 1% were recognized at the national level.

**Silver Medal : Malia Neumann : Grade 11 : thousands**  
**Silver Medal : Kotone Utagawa : Grade 12 : Howling Cat**

**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

**18<sup>th</sup> Annual Dr.Martin Luther King Jr. Peace Poetry Contest**

International Peace Poem Poetry Contest  
1<sup>st</sup> Place : Olivia Torres

**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