

KALANI HIGH SCHOOL

2025 – 2026 SCHOOL PROFILE



4680 Kalanianaʻole Highway | Honolulu, HI 96821
Phone: (808)305-0500 **Fax:** (808)377-2438
CEEB Code: 120047
Website: kalanihighschool.org
Registrar: Ms. Sandra Yoshida - (808)305-0508

Principal: Mr. Mitchell Otani
College & Career Counselors:
 Ms. Lianne Asato Lianne.Asato@k12.hi.us
 Ms. Lisa Hayashi Lisa.Hayashi@k12.hi.us
 (808)305-0550

Community: Kalani High School (grades 9-12) is located in the Waiālae-Kahala, a suburb in East Honolulu, that has a population of 40,000. The median household income of residents is \$121,390. Approximately half of the community has attained college degrees. In the Waiālae-Kahala area, Kalani High School (grades 9-12) is the only high school, along with five elementary schools (grades K-5) and one middle school (grades 6-8).

School: Kalani High School is a public high school that was established in 1958 and is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges. Enrollment is approximately 1400 students in grades 9-12 and reflects the ethnic variety of the state. Approximately 20% of the students qualify for free/reduced lunch with about 25% of students who live out of district boundaries and are on a Geographical Exception to attend.

Curriculum:

The academic school year consists of a seven-period bell schedule, with alternating odd/even period days. An advisory or study hall period is embedded in even period days, allowing students access to academic assistance. The school year is divided into two semesters of 19-20 weeks. Each semester is divided into two-quarters of 8-10 weeks each. All classes meet every other day for 75 minutes. The school year opens in early August and closes before June 1. [Click here for course manual](#)

Students are encouraged to take all 4 core classes in their senior year. Changes can be made to their schedule during the first 2 weeks of the school year, but they are not allowed to switch from a Dual Credit/AP course to a non-AP course equivalent. It is the student's responsibility to notify colleges if there are any changes from their initial application.

CANCELLED COURSES: German is no longer offered as of 25-26 SY, Latin was no longer offered as of 23-24 SY

Advanced Placement (AP) courses:

- Art 2-D
- Biology
- Calculus AB/BC
- Capstone: Research and Seminar
- Chemistry* not offered for 22-23 SY
- Computer Science A*
- Computer Science Principles*
- English Language & Composition
- English Literature & Composition
- Environmental Science
- Japanese
- Macroeconomics
- Psychology
- Physics Part 1
- Statistics
- US History
- World History

*Computer Science A and Principles are offered on a rotating schedule

Students can enroll in an AP course if prerequisites are met, have teacher approval, and turn in a signed contract. Although there is no limit on how many AP courses they can take per year, counselors caution students taking more than 3 a year. Students who take an AP course at Kalani are required to sit for the AP exam or will lose the AP designation on the transcript and/or lose the 5.0 grading scale.

E-School/Hawaii Online Courses is an accredited, teacher-led, standards based, online program for Hawaii public school students. These supplemental courses are taken in addition to the students' schedule at Kalani. Because of the limited number of seats available, students can take a maximum of 2 credits per school year. These courses are listed under E-School/Hawaii Online Courses on the transcript.

Honors classes are offered in Chemistry and Japanese 2 & 3. These courses are noted with a letter "H" at the end of the course code on the transcript and are not weighted in the calculation of GPA.

Osaka Gakuin University Partnership Program: Beginning 24-25 SY, Kalani High School students could participate in a college marketing course offered through synchronous virtual learning classes offered by Osaka Gakuin University in Japan.

Dual Credit: The **Dual Credit program** is a partnership between the Department of Education and the University of Hawaii System, allowing high school students to enroll in college classes earning both high school and college credits. Most, but not all, Dual Credit courses are weighted on a 5pt scale. Course offerings are set by Kalani High School & the partnering UH campus. **These are reflected as DC, followed by the name of the college campus on the transcript.**

Running Start courses allows for Kalani High School students to take any course offered at the University of Hawaii Community College system. If the student provides the necessary documentation by the deadlines set forth by Kalani High School, the course and grade will be factored into Kalani High School's GPA and transcript. **These are reflected as RS, followed by the name of the college campus on the transcript.**

Dual Credit Enrollment: Honolulu Community College

Term:	# enrolled:	total DC courses taken:
Fall 2024	0	0
Spring 2025	0	0
Summer 2025	5	2

Dual Credit Enrollment: Kapi'olani Community College

Term:	# enrolled:	total DC courses taken:
Fall 2024	64	16
Spring 2025	46	14
Summer 2025	61	13

Dual Credit Enrollment: Leeward Community College

Term:	# enrolled:	total DC courses taken:
Fall 2024	0	0
Spring 2025	4	3
Summer 2025	3	3

Dual Credit Enrollment: University of Hawaii at Manoa

Term:	# enrolled:	total DC courses taken:
Fall 2024	22	3
Spring 2025	21	2
Summer 2025	14	1

Marking System:

Regular Course		AP/College Course	
A	4.00	A	5.00
B	3.00	B	4.00
C	2.00	C	3.00
D	1.00	D	2.00
F	0.00	F	0.00

Cumulative GPAs and class ranks on transcripts are weighted and computed at the end of each semester. Any GPA of 4.0 and above has a ranking of 1. Passing grade is a D. GPAs are calculated using the State of Hawaii Department of Education calculation system: [Click here for link to HIDOE calculation system](#)

Graduation Requirements:

Kalani High School follows the State of Hawaii Department of Education's graduation requirements and diploma recognitions. 24 minimum credits in the courses below are required to receive a diploma.

Courses in:	Credits:
English	4
Social Studies	4
Math	3
Science	3
Physical Education	1
Health	0.5
Personal Transition Plan (PTP)	0.5
Electives	6
World Lang./Fine Arts/Career & Tech. Ed. (2 credits in one area)	2

Honors Recognition Certificates

- **Academic Honors:** 4 credits of Math (with 1 credit beyond Alg 2), 4 credits of Science, 2 credits minimum from AP/Dual Credit courses
- **Career & Technical Education (CTE) Honors:** Completes a specified program of study with a "B" or better, meets/exceeds proficiency on a performance-based assessment
- **STEM Honors:** 4 credits of Math (with 1 credit beyond Alg 2), 4 credits of Science, STEM Capstone or STEM Senior Project
 - *3.0+ GPA required for all honors
 - *Of the 4 credits in Science, 1 credit must be in Biology and the other 3 credits lab-based sciences

Standardized Test Results:

329 students of the Class of 2026 students took the ACT in February '25

ACT 2024	Kalani High	Hawaii
Composite	19.2 (24-25 SY)	17.7 (24-25 SY)

132 students took the SAT during the 2024-25 school year

SAT 2023-2024	Kalani High	Hawaii
Evid. Based Rdg./Writing	599 (24-25 SY)	480 (23-24 SY)
Math	568 (24-25 SY)	530 (23-24 SY)

Advanced Placement (AP) Results: In May 2025, 379 students took AP exams, with a total of 627 exams taken. 81.8% of the students received scores of 3 or higher.

Kalani High School is one of 9 public schools in Hawaii that offer AP Capstone.

CTE Pathways:

Students can opt into Kalani's Health Academy, Business, Industrial and Engineering Technology, Natural Resource, and Arts and Communication pathways. These programs are known for their academic rigor. Students in these academies can elect to participate in regional and national level competitions in skills learned. Every year, students qualify to compete at the national level in their event. Students who are in the Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA), Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA), Robotics, and Future Farmers of America (FFA) clubs are required to be enrolled in their respective CTE pathway.

The Health Academy partners with John A. Burns School of Medicine, local state hospitals, and other organizations. Students organize and provide health screening to the local elementary schools and current Kalani students. Students in the 2nd year course have a mandatory 80-hour internship, and Capstone projects for 3rd year students include a mandatory 120-hour internship. They are expected to find their own mentors in the community for their unpaid internships.

The Business Pathway provides students opportunities to learn through organizations such as the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program.

Student Organizations:

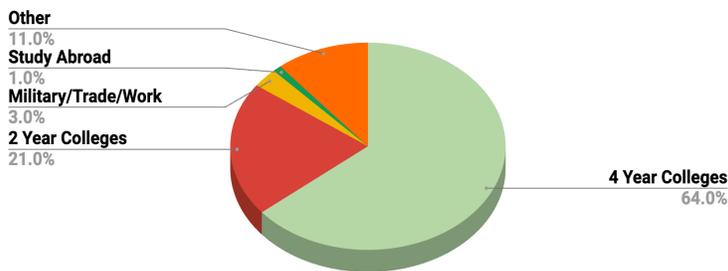
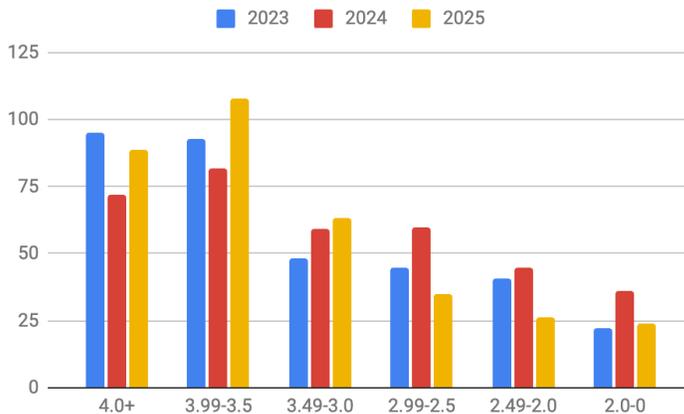
All student organizations are student-led, with a faculty advisor designated to each club. All organizations must be approved annually by the Student Activities Coordinator and principal.

Current student organizations include the following:

- Anime Club, Ceramics Club, Center for Tomorrow's Leaders, Chinese Club, Computer Science Club, Core Club, DECA*, Environmental Science Club, Future Farmers of America, HAAEA, HOSA*, Health/Fitness Club, Interact Club, Japanese Club, Key Club, Korean Club, Laulea Club, LEO Club, Model United Nations, National Honor Society, Oahu Mathematics League*, PAAC*, Robotics*, Science Club*, Smash Ultimate Club, Spanish Club, Test Prep Club, *indicates clubs that have won regional/national/international titles/awards

Class of 2025 Post High School Plans:

343 students total



Out of state 2yr/4 yr matriculation data:

Continental US	Japan	England
84 students	8 students	1 student

Some of the students in the Study Abroad category plan to take an entrance exam in the Fall, so they can apply/attend an international school where the start of the school year is in the Spring.

3 year average on time graduation rate: 95%

Athletics: Kalani High School is one of the 30-member public/charter schools that make up the Oahu Interscholastic Association (OIA). The OIA is a member of the Hawaii High School Athletic Association (HHSAA), which operates the state championships where students from both public and private high schools in Hawaii compete. Academic eligibility is required for all student participants.

2018-2025 OIA/HHSAA Titles: Boys Air Riflery, Boys Cross Country, Division II Boys Basketball, Division I Girls Basketball, Girls and Boys Golf, Division I Boys Soccer, Boys Swimming & Diving, Girls Swimming & Diving, Division II Girls Softball, Girls and Boys Tennis, Boys Wrestling

Class of 2025 Colleges/Universities List of Acceptances

*Self Reported

American River College
Arizona State University
Baylor University
Boise State University
Boston University
Brandeis University
Bushnell University
Cal Poly Humboldt
California Lutheran University
California Polytechnic State University San Luis Obispo
California State Polytechnic University Pomona
California State University Fullerton
California State University Long Beach
California State University Northridge
California State University San Marcos
Central Washington University
Chaminade University
Chaminade University of Honolulu
Chapman University
Chicago State University
Coalinga College
Colgate University
Collin College
Colorado Mesa University
Colorado State University Fort Collins
Columbia International University
Columbia University
Concordia University Irvine
Cornell University
Creighton University
Dakota Wesleyan University
Denison University
Duquesne University
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Prescott
Emerson College
Fashion Institute of Technology
Florida Institute of Technology
Fordham University
George Fox University
George Washington University
Grand Canyon University
Grinnell College
Hawai'i Pacific University
Honolulu Community College
Indiana State University
Indiana University Bloomington
International Christian University Japan
Iowa State University
Kansas State University
Kapi'olani Community College
Lasell University
Lewis & Clark College
Lewis University
Linfield University
Loyola Marymount University
Loyola University Chicago
Marist College
Menlo College
Montana State University
New York University
Northeastern Illinois University
Northeastern University
Northern Arizona University
Occidental College
Orange Coast College
Oregon Institute of Technology
Oregon State University
Otis College of Art and Design
Pace University New York City
Pacific Lutheran University
Pacific University
Penn State University
Pepperdine University
Pomona College
Portland State University
Purdue University Main Campus

Purdue University Fort Wayne
Reed College
Regis University
Rikkyo University (Japan)
Rochester Institute of Technology
Saint Martin's University
Saint Mary's College of California
San Diego State University
San Francisco State University
Seattle Pacific University
Seattle University
Sophia University (Japan)
Spring Hill College
Stevens Institute of Technology
Stony Brook University
Suffolk University
SUNY University at Buffalo
Syracuse University
Temple University
Temple University (Japan)
Texas A&M University
Texas Christian University
Texas State University
Tulane University of Louisiana
University of Arizona
University of California Berkeley
University of California Davis
University of California Irvine
University of California Los Angeles
University of California Riverside
University of California San Diego
University of California Santa Barbara
University of California Davis
University of California Irvine
University of California Merced
University of California Santa Barbara
University of Colorado Colorado Springs
University of Colorado Boulder
University of Denver
University of Hawaii West O'ahu
University of Hawaii at Hilo
University of Hawaii at Manoa
University of Illinois at Chicago
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
University of Maryland College Park
University of Minnesota Twin Cities
University of Nebraska at Kearney
University of Nevada Las Vegas
University of New Mexico (Main Campus)
University of North Dakota
University of Northern Colorado
University of Oregon
University of Pennsylvania
University of Pittsburgh
University of Portland
University of Puget Sound
University of San Diego
University of San Francisco
University of Southern California
University of the Pacific
University of Tsukuba (Japan)
University of Utah
University of Vermont
University of Washington
University of Wisconsin Madison
Utah State University
Vanguard University
Warner Pacific University
Waseda University (Japan)
Washington State University
Western Colorado University
Western Michigan University
Western Oregon University
Western Washington University
Whitworth University
Wichita State University
Willamette University
Woodbury University