

TO: KHS Parents & Ohana, Guardians, Friends (12/19/2025)

## *KALANI High School*

*Where the Winds of Knowledge Carry You to a Brighter Future*

### WEEKLY E-BULLETIN

#### **IMPORTANT DATES...**

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| 1) Friday, December 19   | End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Semester                              |
| 2) Thursday, December 25 | Christmas  |
| 3) Monday, January 5     | No Students – Teacher Work Day                               |
| 4) Tuesday, January 6    | First Day of Second Semester (odd schedule)                  |
| 5) Monday, January 19    | Holiday – Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day                     |
| 6) Friday, February 6    | Planning and Collaboration Day – no students                 |
| 7) Sunday, February 15   | Freshmen/Sophomore Banquet @ Ala Moana Hotel 5:00pm – 9:00pm |
| 8) Monday, February 16   | Holiday – Presidents’ Day                                    |
| 9) Friday, March 13      | End of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter                               |
| 10) Sunday, March 15     | Junior Prom – Koolau Ballroom                                |
| 11) Thursday, March 26   | Holiday – Kuhio Day  |
| 12) Friday, April 3      | Holiday – Good Friday  |
| 13) Wednesday, May 13    | Senior Awards Night @ Moanalua High School Auditorium        |
| 14) Wednesday, May 20    | <b>Graduation at the Stan Sherrif Center - confirmed</b>     |
| 15) Monday, May 25       | Holiday – Memorial Day                                       |
| 16) Thursday, May 28     | Last Day for Students – End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester      |
| 17) Friday, May 29       | Last Day for Teachers  |
- December 22 – January 2 : Winter Break  
March 16 – 20 : Spring Break

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**Vision: Character. Compassion. Community.**

**Mission : We at Kalani High School create opportunities to discover our passions, purpose, and personal pursuits.  
A vision is not just a picture of what could be; it is an appeal to our better selves, a call to become something more.**

***Ne'epapa: Stronger Together***

**Kindness 101 : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5MPVjhw2yDM>**

## *Happy Holidays*

*Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year*

### *Congratulations*

**Kalani 7.0 LifeSmarts Team**

Congratulations to the Kalani's 7.0 LifeSmarts team. They had one of the highest scores in this year's online competition which placed them as one of the top 4 teams in the state. They will compete against the best teams in Hawaii at the Neal S. Blaisdell Center in the State LifeSmarts Championship. The team consists of Brandalyn Tran, Nicole Du, Michelle Kabasawa, Zachary Li and Cristian Matache.

### **Dual Credit Informational Meeting**

Kalani will be hosting a virtual Kalani Dual Credit Informational meeting on **Thursday, January 8th, 2026 from 6-7:00pm**. General information of Kalani's Dual Credit Program will be shared as well as information for the 2026 Summer and Fall terms. If you are new to dual credit you will want to attend this meeting to hear how to apply for admissions to our college campus partners. See the login information below and we'll see you in January. Reach out to Mr. Zane in the Library if you have any questions. Wish you all a Happy Holiday Season!!

Meeting link : [meet.google.com/pxk-zzut-mtq](https://meet.google.com/pxk-zzut-mtq)

Join by phone : (US) [+1 432-827-0618](tel:+14328270618) PIN: 718254141

## **FIRST Tech Challenge FTC Robotics Congratulations Team Magma**

Kalani had three teams competing in tournaments across the islands, including Kaua‘i. It was a competitive season and we were required to improve our robots throughout the entire season. The Culminating District Tournament was held on Saturday, December 13th, at Le Jardin Academy, with 31 teams participating. The top 20 competed to advance to the State Championship. All three of our teams successfully placed within the top 20. In addition to match play, teams participated in judged interviews. All three advanced to callback interviews, with only nine total slots available. The State Championship took place on Sunday, December 14th. All three of our teams advanced to the finals—an outstanding accomplishment, especially as the only public school represented in the final lineup.

Although our teams did not advance to the championship match - won by Kaua‘i’s Cyber Saints and Punahou’s PokeBolts, who also set a world-leading high score of 312 points. The performance by our students was exceptional. All three teams won major awards: Connect, Sustainability, and Think Awards, 3rd, 4th, and 5th place respectively. While our teams did not qualify for the World Championship this year, two of the teams qualified for Premier events to be held this summer. Last year, one of our teams competed in Chicago and earned the Inspire Award, demonstrating continued growth and excellence at the national level. Our teams performed at an exceptionally high level, demonstrating resilience, teamwork, and technical skill. It was an outstanding season and a strong showing by Kalani students.

Bryan Silver



### ***Congratulations***

**Atona Chan**

Congratulations to Atona Chan for being accepted by the prestigious Rhode Island School of Design.

Rhode Island School of Design is a private college that was founded in 1877.

Recent acceptance rates were between 17- 19% - a very difficult school to get into.

### ***Congratulations***

The Honolulu District Science and Engineering Fair Team concluded their reviews of all projects and informed Kalani High School that the following 10 projects will be competing in HonSEF 2026:

1. 3D Printed Biodegradable Skin Scaffolds Using Cross-linked Polymers to Predict Cell Regeneration
2. Aloha Red: *Hylocereus Costaricensis* and *Hibiscus Rosa-Sinensis* as Natural Colorant Alternatives to Red 40
3. A Toxic Tide: The Impact of Common Sunscreen Chemicals on Hawaiian *Ulva Fasciata*
4. Creating a Medical Device to Facilitate Greater Upper Mobility
5. Examining effectiveness of natural detector molecules in place of synthetic detector molecules
6. Examining the Effects of Sunscreens on *E. mathaei* and *T. gratilla* Embryos and Larvae
7. Exploring the Use of Hybrid Post-Quantum Key Exchange in TLS 1.3
8. Fused Deposition Modeling of Activated Carbon Fiber-Reinforced PLA Filters for Low-Cost Microplastic Removal
9. Infusing Wound Dressings with Plant Pigment to Monitor pH Levels
10. Study of EDTA Acid to Break Down Albumin Aggregates for Alzheimer’s Disease Research

## STUDENT SECTION

### Clubs / Sports

Laulea – Ms. Yagi  
Anime Club – Ms. Miyashiro  
Book Club – Ms. Miyashiro  
Spanish Club – Ms. Rivette  
Health Occupations Students of America – Mr. A. Kimura  
Center for Tomorrow's Leader – Mr. Iwanaga  
Ceramics Club – Ms. Berezni  
Chinese Club – Ms. Young Chan  
DECA – Ms. Potterton  
The Health and Fitness Club – Mr. Melemai  
LEO Club – connected with Lions Club (Ms. Kaneko / Mr. Lee):  
Model United Nations Club – Mr. Melemai  
Key Club – Ms. Takayesu  
National Honor Society (NHS) – Dr. Ida  
Computer Science/Technology and Service Club – Dr. Ida  
Oahu Math League (OML) – Dr. Ida  
FFA – Ms. Doran  
Hawaii Aspiring Aerospace Engineers Academy – Ms. Sato  
Japan Club – Ms. Klein  
CORE Club – Ms. Kaaua  
Mock Trial – Mr. Bard  
Photography Club – new  
Korean Club – Ms. Kim

### Sister School Partnerships – International Travel

Busan Computer Science High School – Korea  
Koyo Senior High School – Hiroshima  
Obihiro Hakuyo High School – Hokkaido  
Iwakuni High School – Yamaguchi  
Japan Super Science Fair – Ritsumeikan High School - Kyoto  
Osaka Gakuin University / High School  
Bihoku High School – Nagoya

Osaka Gakuin University Summer Bridge Program  
Chengdu Debate Competition      Jeju International Youth Forum  
Hainan/Beijing Cultural Exchange Trip  
Qinhuangdao / Beijing Cultural Trip



## Q2 – 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE HOUSE READING CHALLENGE

### WINNING HOUSE: HUI ANA

#### The Numbers:

- Hui Ana: 65,312 minutes (incl. 725 teacher mins.)
- Imi Loa: 17, 597 minutes
- Zentoku: 15,375 minutes (incl. 1,064 teacher mins)
- 17 students logged over 1000 minutes!



**Top Reader:**  
Lillian T. (5300 mins)

#### Random Drawing Winners:

- Haum C.
- Mana H.
- Elizabeth H.
- Zoe K.
- Olivia L.



**"Project Grad 2026:** Kalani Falcons Project Grad is an all-volunteer effort that is committed to providing our graduating seniors a memorable overnight graduation celebration that is 100% drug and alcohol free. If you have not registered your SENIOR for Kalani Project Graduation 2026, please **register now** before the registration prices go up.  
[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Uw1fjO4Ltfp9w7\\_5mHvZRg\\_t8J8envjW/edit?usp=sharing&oid=101974132834342025504&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Uw1fjO4Ltfp9w7_5mHvZRg_t8J8envjW/edit?usp=sharing&oid=101974132834342025504&rtpof=true&sd=true)

If you are interested in being a part of the 2026 planning committee, please email, [kalanipg26@gmail.com](mailto:kalanipg26@gmail.com) for more information on meetings and how to get involved. Mahalo!"

### **SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION**

#### **SUMMER INTERNSHIP/OTHER EVENT OPPORTUNITIES**

Mrs. Lisa Hayashi      College and Career Counselor      [lisa.hayashi@k12.hi.us](mailto:lisa.hayashi@k12.hi.us)      808-305-0556  
**SCHEDULE A MEETING (Students only)**      Visit our Kalani HS College & Career Site

Check our website for more information – <https://sites.google.com/k12.hi.us/kalanicounselorscorner/college-and-career>

#### **Ongoing events:**

Many colleges visit Kalani High School to share more information about their school. Please visit our ongoing calendar of visits. These visits are open to Kalani students only. <https://sites.google.com/k12.hi.us/kalanicounselorscorner/college-and-career/college-visits-presentations-meetings-slides?authuser=0>

#### **College Admission Counselor Visits**

During these meetings, you will meet the college admission counselor for Hawaii applicants, learn more about the school, programs and majors offered, the application procedures and requirements, and have a chance to ask questions. Students need to sign up using their SCOIR account. Open to Kalani students grades 9-11.

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1iz2tLh8e6InR8oa5Za8tLL0Z0q0G6xBqWR15wQnXCM/edit?usp=sharing>

#### **FAFSA Financial Aid Webinars**

Sign up for virtual webinars occurring every Wednesday through Hawaii P-20 to learn more about financial aid. Open to all students and families. <https://collegeiswithinreachhawaii.com/Upcoming-Events/>

#### **College Visits**

Pick up an activity pass from the College and Career Center in the Library  
Ask your teacher for approval (sign up for NO more than 3 visits for the same class period)  
\*\*Students who have off campus during a college visit do not need a pass to attend\*\*

## **ATHLETICS**

#### **Soft-Tennis All Stars**

1<sup>st</sup> Team All-Stars : Lexi Duldulao   Sydney Lin   Conner Lin   Tyka Ching  
2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-Stars : Isabella Lee   Haley Smith   Jasmine Uyesono   Breydi Nuibe  
Player of Year: Lexi Duldulao

#### **Crosscountry All Stars**

1<sup>st</sup> Team All-Stars : Seita Takinishi   Rui Imai   Ashlyn Wang  
2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-Stars : Oscar Richardson   Jisung Kang   Hayden Bishop  
2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-Stars : Tricia Tengan   Ella Kimura   Jerney Martin   Anela Ohelo

#### **Volleyball All Stars**

2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-Stars ; Rohm Takamoto  
Honorable Mention : Hana Engelhardt   Shayla Harris   Kyrly Kiyabu   Mira Lum   Marie Muir  
Samantha Niide   Suzue Shower   Ariana Taylor

## WINTER SPORTS

### Girls Basketball

Kalani 57 – Farrington 41  
12/22 Kalani vs. Roosevelt  
12/29 Kalani vs. Moanalua  
01/06 Kalani vs. Kailua  
01/14 Kalani @ Kahuku

Kalani 62 – Kailua 15  
12/26 Kalani vs. Kahuku  
01/03 Kalani @ Farrington  
01/08 Kailua vs. Roosevelt  
01/16 Kalani @ Moanalua

### Boys Basketball

12/20 Kalani vs. Pearl City **postponed**  
12/27 Kalani @ Waialua  
01/02 Kalani @ McKinley  
01/07 Kalani vs. Dreamhouse  
01/15 Kalani @ Castle  
01/24 Kalani @ Waipahu

12/23 Kalani @ Waianae  
12/30 Kalani vs. Anuenue  
01/05 Kalani @ Kaimuki  
01/13 Kalani vs. Roosevelt  
01/21 Kalani vs. Aiea

### Girls Soccer

Kalani 1 – Castle 0  
Kalani 0 – Kaiser 1  
Kalani 1 – Kahuku 2  
12/23 Kalani vs. Kalaheo  
01/02 Kalani @ Moanalua

Kalani 1 – Kalaheo 1  
Kalani 1 – Moanalua 4  
Kalani 0 – Castle 0  
12/30 Kalani vs. Kaiser  
01/06 Kalani @ Kahuku

### Boys Soccer

Kalani 1 – Castle 0  
Kalani 7 – Kailua 0  
Kalani 1 – Kaiser 1  
12/29 Kalani vs. Moanalua  
01/05 Kalani vs. Roosevelt

Kalani 3 – Moanalua 0  
Kalani 1 – Roosevelt 0  
12/22 Kalani vs. Castle  
01/03 Kalani @ Kailua  
01/08 Kalani @ Kaiser

### Swimming

The following have made State qualifying times

Nicholas – 100 Fly – 100 Back – 100 Breast – 100 Free

Jayden – 100 Fly – 100 Breast – 100 Free – 200 Free

Sumie – 100 Breast

Hugo – 100 Back

Ryan – 500 Free

Kimi – Unified events

Girls – 200 Free Relay – 400 Free Relay – 200 Medley Relay

Boys – 200 Free Relay – 400 Free Relay – 200 Medley Relay

Wyatt – Diving

01/10 OIA JV Championships

01/15 OIA East Diving

01/17 OIA East Swimming

01/23 Kalani Invitational

01/24 Kalani Invitational

01/30 OIA Trials

01/31 OIA Finals and Diving

02/13 HHSAA Trials

02/14 HHSAA Finals and Diving

### Wrestling

12/19 Officials Tournament

12/23 Kalani/Kaiser Novice Tournament

12/26 Pa`ani Girls

12/26 Boys @ Aiea

01/03 Dual @ Moanalua

01/10 Round Robin @ Aiea

01/17 ILH Crossover

01/24 OIA JV @ Kailua

01/31 OIA Dual Championship @ Radford

02/07 OIA Eastern Division Championship @ Moanalua

02/13 OIA Championship @ Leilehua

02/14 OIA Championship @ Leilehua

02/27 HHSAA Championship @ NBC

02/28 HHSAA Championship @ NBC

## **Paddling**

12/20	Preseason @ Keehi Lagoon	12/27	Preseason @ Keehi Lagoon
01/03	Preseason @ Keehi Lagoon	01/10	Preseason @ Keehi Lagoon
01/17	JV Championships @ Keehi Lagoon		
01/24	OIA Championship @ Keehi Lagoon		
02/07	HHSAA Championship @ Keehi Lagoon		

## **JV Baseball**

Kalani 1 – Kaiser 11	Kalani 5 – Moanalua 5 (game called – darkness)
12/18 Kalani @ Farrington	12/20 Kalani @ Roosevelt
12/27 Kalani vs. Kailua	01/03 Kalani @ Kaiser
01/08 Kalani vs. Moanalua	01/10 Kalani vs. Farrington
01/15 Kalani vs. Roosevelt	01/17 Kalani @ Kailua
01/22 OIA Semi-Finals	01/24 OIA Championship

## **JV Tennis – Season Completed**

Eastern Division 2<sup>nd</sup> Place  
OIA Semi-Finals vs. Mililani Kalani 2 – Mililani 3

## **SPORTS OFFERINGS 2025-26**

### **SPRING**

JV = junior varsity, V = Varsity, B = Boys, G = Girls

BASEBALL (V)	B/G GOLF (V)	B/G JUDO (JV/V)	G SOFTBALL (V)
B/G TENNIS (V)	B VOLLEYBALL (JV/V)	G WATER POLO (V)	G FLAG FOOTBALL (V)

### **Department of Education requirements for athletic participation:**

- Current Department of Education Athletic Physical
- Department of Education Consent and Assumption of Risk form per sport. (1 sport per form)
- Concussion Management Student Consent
- Need a physical? We encourage you to take your child to their regular doctor. Those who want a physical quicker please contact your nearby Urgent Care facility to inquire about walk-in physical appointments. (Fee may be charged). Don't forget to download and take the physical form with you.

### **Kalani High School requirements for athletic participation:**

- Completion and submission of Athletic Registration (New to Kalani? Create a new account and remember your password. Returnees log in with their password.
- Sign up and try out for a team.
- Once selected to a team, student-athlete will pay the \$80.00 ASET Fee

### **Athletic Supply, Equipment & Transportation (ASET) \$80.00**

Once your child has been selected to a team, parents will receive an email asking you to log into your child's account to pay the \$80.00 ASET fee. The amount of money allocated by the DOE for Athletic Transportation is much less than is needed considering the current cost of buses. This fee (pays for buses and other transportation costs) is charged once per school year regardless of the number of teams your child gets selected for.

The **ASET Fee** is charged once per school year for the first sport a student plays.

- If your child played a fall sport this year, you won't need to make any additional payment.
- Payment is made **online through GoFans** once your child is selected for a team.
- We no longer accept in-person payments.
- A small transaction fee applies.
- A payment link will be sent when it is time to pay.

## Alumni

### Kalani grads from the early-'70s proving to be the school's golden age

<https://www.staradvertiser.com/2025/12/15/sports/hawaii-prep-world/curtis-murayama-kalani-grads-from-the-early-70s-proving-to-be-the-schools-golden-age/>



**Kalani High School 1<sup>st</sup> State Championship Team - 1970**

### Annual Notice of Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Statement

The Hawaii State Department of Education (Department) does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, disability, and religion. This requirement extends to all of the Department's programs and activities, including employment and admissions as applicable. If you have difficulty understanding English, you have the right to receive language assistance at no cost to you. Please contact your school's principal for more information. For the Department high schools that offer Career and Technical Education (CTE) Programs of Study in arts and communications, business, health services, industrial and engineering technology, natural resources, and public and human services, there are no admission criteria. Department high schools will take steps to assure that the lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in CTE programs and will provide equal access to designated youth groups. The Department does not tolerate acts of harassment on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, disability, and religion. Any student who believes that he or she has been subjected to harassment on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, disability, and religion is encouraged to report such harassment. Students and parents may report allegations of discrimination or harassment to the school's administrator or to the Department's Civil Rights Compliance Branch at the address listed below. The Department is committed to conducting prompt investigations. Support, including counseling and educational resources, will be available to students who are harassed as well as to students found to have engaged in acts of harassment on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, disability, and religion. Students found to have engaged in harassment may be disciplined up to and including suspension if circumstances warrant. Students, parents, and Department staff should work together to prevent harassment on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, disability, and religion. The Department will not tolerate retaliation for reporting discrimination and/or harassment on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, disability, and religion, and will take steps to protect those who wish to report the discrimination or harassment. Please direct inquiries regarding Department nondiscrimination policies to:

Civil Rights Compliance Branch  
Hawaii State Department of Education  
P.O. Box 2360  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96804  
(808) 586-3322 or relay  
[CRCB@k12.hi.us](mailto:CRCB@k12.hi.us)

Beth Schimmelfinnig, Director  
Rhonda Wong, Compliance  
Aaron Oandasan, Title VI  
Toby Yamashiro, Title VII  
Nicole Isa-Iijima, Title IX  
Krysti Sukita, ADA/504

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## **AHERA**

In 1986, Congress passed the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) which mandated the Asbestos-Containing Materials in Schools Rule, 40 CFR Part 763. It requires all primary and secondary school buildings to be inspected by AHERA accredited inspectors and to identify all asbestos-containing building materials. The rule further requires the development of a management plan by an AHERA accredited management planner that is based on the findings of the inspection. The management plan outlines our intent in controlling the potential for exposure to asbestos fibers in our school. In February 2001, Hawaii Administrative Rules Chapter 11-502 was adopted by the Hawaii State Legislature. These rules essentially mirror the requirements of the AHERA regulations. In both cases, the rule requires our school to notify parents, teachers, and employees of the presence and status of asbestos containing material in our school buildings.

The initial inspection of our school was conducted in 1958 and identifies some asbestos-containing materials. Since that time, we continue to conduct periodic surveillance and triennial re-inspections to ensure that the asbestos-containing materials remain in good condition and do not pose a hazard to our students and staff. An asbestos management plan was drafted based on our initial inspection and submitted to the Hawaii State Department of Health. It outlines in detail the methods we will use to maintain the material in a safe manner. The management plan is updated regularly as asbestos is removed or conditions change. A copy of the management plan is on file in the administrative office and is available for your review during our regular school hours. Should you have any questions, please call the school at 808-305-0500.

## *US News 2025 Best High Schools*

Kalani High School is ranked first within Hawaii (non-charter public schools).

<https://www.usnews.com/education/best-high-schools/hawaii>

### *Congratulations*

National Merit Scholarship Program Semifinalist  
Ivan Tse

On September 10, 2025, officials of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation announced the names of the more than 16,000 Semifinalists in the 71<sup>st</sup> annual National Merit Scholarship Program. These academically talented high school seniors have the opportunity to continue in the competition for some 6,930 National Merit Scholarships worth \$26 million that will be offered next spring. In October 2024, Ivan took the PSAT/National Merit Qualifying Test and met the requirements to enter the 2026 NM Scholarship Program. He is one of 10 Hawaii public school students recognized.

National Merit Scholarship Program Commended Student  
Bryce Hara      Jayden Tran

On September 11, 2025, the National Merit Scholarship Corporation released the names of approximately 34,000 Commended Students based on a national selection score of 210. These students are also being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. *“Those being named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding potential for academic success. These students are vital to the advancement of educational excellence in our nation, and we hope that this recognition will help broaden their educational opportunities.*

Model UN Conference  
Punahou Competition

Best Delegate Winners: Ivan Tse   Morgan Lenoir   Ryder Goto

Outstanding Delegate Winners: Mirah Levine

Verbal Accommodation Winners: Leala Florendo   David Summers   Bryce Hara

David Lenoir  
All-American Model United Nations Travel Team

### **Center for Tomorrow’s Leaders**

Class of 2026 Fellows

Mia Nishiguchi

### **2025-2026 MTNA Performance Competitions**

#### **Hawai‘i State Division**

Junior Performance (strings) : Hawai‘i State Winner: Evangeline Tjoeng

Junior Performance (woodwinds) : Alternate: Desmond Sutton

Senior Performance (Woodwinds) : Alternate: Zhi Yi Chen, student of Aileen Kawakami

### **Honua Scholars Laulima Symposium**

1<sup>st</sup> Place : Sarah Lee, Ella Lam & Kalea Santos: Honua Pitch Competition : Medical Innovation: Rescuopen

2<sup>nd</sup> Place : Isebelle Lam & Summer Hall: Honua Pitch Competition and Honua Proposal Competition:

Medical Innovation: Targeted Knee Thermotherapy Device

### **Jeju International Youth Forum**

The students participated in discussions involving a variety of topics to improve their respective countries.

Students proposed solutions to real-life problems.

Chaperone : Ms. Kaneko

Students : Tamar McMillan-Zilberman + Mirah Levine + Qian Chen + Jeannie Kim

### **Japan Super Science Fair**

The fair aims to cultivate scientific thinking, promote learning across different subjects and cultures, and create friendships through curiosity and discovery.

Chaperones : Ms. Hamasaki and Mr. Okawa

Students : Rodrigo Del Carpio   Sydnie Melemai   Ivan Tse   Sara Lau   Miki Okata

### **Chengdu Debate Challenge**

Chaperone : Scott Melemai Bryce Hara and Anson Li captured 4<sup>th</sup> place.

### **Soft Tennis Trip**

The Kalani Soft-Tennis Team returned from visiting Koyo Senior High School in Hiroshima, Japan

### **DECA**

Kalani High School returned from representing Kalani at DECA's national leadership conference in Arlington, VA.

Students : Rex Ho Annika Li Brandalyn Tran Advisor : Mrs. Lisa Potterton

### **OGU Sister School Partnership**

Kalani High Staff and students returned from visiting Osaka Gakuin High School

Chaperones : Lisa Hayashi Rei Akasaki Dan Hamada

Students : Kira Ann Ichiyama Madeline Eakin Jayhee Hasty Kylie Amine

Isaac Kim Shota Nakamura Daigo Tokunaga Jett Kume Ace Kume

### **Sports**

Congratulations

Fall Sports

HHSAA Champion – Christina Kidd

HHSAA Runner-up : Girls Bowling

OIA Champions

Girls Junior Varsity Crosscountry

OIA Runner-up : Girls Air Riflery Boys Air Riflery Girls Bowling

OIA Eastern Division Champions

Girls Soft-Tennis Girls Air Riflery Girls Bowling Girls Junior Varsity Crosscountry

### **Alumni in the News**

Jill Takasaki Canfield (Class of 1984), Hawai'i Literacy executive director

<https://www.staradvertiser.com/2025/11/07/editorial/name-in-the-news/5-questions-jill-takasaki-canfield-hawaii-literacy-executive-director/>