## KALANI High School

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

## **IMPORTANT DATES...**

1) Sunday, March 12 Junior Prom

2) Monday, March 27 Kuhio Day: No School

3) Thursday, March 30 KAS Event : Safe Driving Sign Waving (before school)

4) Friday, April 7 Good Friday: No School

5) Friday, April 21 Friday Night Lights @ McKinley 6) Friday, April 21 Friday Night Lights @ Kalani

7) Saturday, April 29 Friday Night Lights

8) Thursday, May 18 Senior Awards Night @ Roosevelt HS Auditorium

9) Friday, May 19 Athletic Banquet (tentative) 10 Saturday, May 20 Senior Prom (tentative) 11)Tuesday, May 23 Graduation (Confirmed)

12) Monday: May 29 Memorial Day

March 13 – March 17 : 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: Educating our Future

To move as a whole or unit; moving or working together in unison

Be the first to smile! ----- Danny Kaleikini

#### Congratulations

Hueneme Port (California) Regional

Kalani Robotics Team Magma: Regional Engineering Inspiration Award - Qualifies team for Worlds

#### **Congratulations**

## Leona Stremick

1st place

Clarence T. Ching "Acts of Kindness" Art Competition



## Congratulations

Yuuka Brown

## Hiroshima Peace Scholarship (HPS) Program.

This program is open to Oahu high school students who are passionate about growing as Peacebuilders and fostering relationships bridging communities in Hiroshima, Japan and Hawaii. The 2023 delegation will be the first group of Hiroshima Peace Scholars to travel since 2019 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

In a competitive selection process, JASH selected two students, one attending a private school and one attending a public school, as our 2023 Scholars. Selected scholars will study peace-related resources in their communities through a series of monthly workshops in Honolulu to prepare them for an educational summer trip to Hiroshima where they will explore the history and effects of World War II; actively participate in events commemorating the August 6, 1945 bombing of Hiroshima; and experience homestays with host families and exchanges with Japanese students. Upon their return to Oahu, scholars will continue developing as Peacebuilders, sharing their experiences and reflections on their time in Hiroshima with their schools and in their communities.

## Congratulations

Statewide Japan Wizards competition

Ziyan Chen Joanne Liu Xinyi He Mark Brehm, Leroy Cheng Christian Kimura
They were the top scoring public high school team in Level A and they were awarded a trip to Japan courtesy of the Japan America
Society of Hawaii. The Japan Wizards Competition is the premier academic team competition for high school students. The
competition tests Hawai'i high school students who are studying Japanese or have an interest in Japan on different aspects of the
country's history and culture. They were awarded a trip to Japan in the summer to experience in real life what they studied in
preparation for the competition and what they learned in the classroom.

## Congratulations

## **2023 DECA Career Development Conference**

The following students placed as finalists in their category (top 6 in the state):

#### **Individual Event Finalists**

Marketing Communications - Brandon Tran Gabriela Virardi Entrepreneurship - Noa Fujitani Hunter Kwok Tak Hing

Human Resource Management - Ryan Kim Vanessa Louie Kainoa Mackowiak Eric Wong

#### Written Exam

Entrepreneurship: Second Place - Noa Fujitani Third Place - Vincent Grillo

Human Resource Management: First Place - Eric Wong Second Place - Vanessa Louie Third Place - Ryan Kim

Marketing Communications: Second Place - Gabriela Virardi Third Place - Brandon Tran

The following students are *Trophy Winners* (top 3 out of the 6 finalists).

### **Trophy Winners**

Marketing Communications: Second Place - Brandon Tran

Human Resource Management: First Place - Eric Wong Second Place - Vanessa Louie Third Place - Ryan Kim

# Congratulations HOSA State Competition

SLC Event	Solo	Team	Place
Job Seeking Skills	Kiana Mizuno		1st
Medical Reading	Kristen Takamure		1st
Medical Spelling	Ronan Laciste		2nd
Medical Innovation		Mari Tamashiro, Rylie Kodama, Dana Kang, & Leyna Ko	1st
Medical Innovation		Keala Takamiya & Keijiro Takizawa	2nd
Medical Assisting	Anna Seavey		1st
Medical Math	Taiga Sakai		2nd
Medical Assisting	Lisa Le		2nd
Medical Assisting	Daeun Lee		

## Congratulations 2023 Citizen-Scholar Award recipient

## Jennífer Moritaka

For the past 18 years, the Hawai'i Lodging & Tourism Association, the Hawai'i State Department of Education, and the Honolulu Star-Advertiser have honored one outstanding senior from every public high school throughout the state who best exemplifies citizenship in school and the community. Each of these students have given back to make our state a better place and embody the Department of Education's Vision of a Public School Graduate.

Please congratulate Jennifer Moritaka – Kalani Citizen Scholar 2023

# Congratulations Andrew Lee

2023 Mamoru and Aiko Takitani Foundation Scholarship

Thank you to all who worked so hard to complete and submit the application for the Mamoru and Aiko Takitani Foundation Scholarship. The applicants were extremely qualified and highly competitive with outstanding academic, leadership, and community service profiles. The scholarship committee was extremely impressed with the quality of the applicants. Please congratulate Andrew Lee – Kalani's Takitani Foundation Scholarship recipient

Congratulations
Brandon Mitchell
National Merit Finalist

## Congratulations

Science Fair Award Recipients

2<sup>nd</sup> Place Senior Division ----- Vincent Grillo

3<sup>rd</sup> Place Senior Division ----- Jefferson Young

## **Best in Category**

Andrew Lee Calculating the Competitive and Monetary Value of High School Swimmers

Vincent Grillo Chemical Reclamation of Rare Metals in E-Waste to Reduce Environmental Contamination

Jefferson Young Pressurized Annealing of 3D-Printed Components

Una Milincic NASA Earth System Science Award

Andrew Lee Office of Naval Research - US Navy/US Marine Corps Science Award

Andrew Lee US Stockholm Junior Water Prize
Jefferson Young US Metric Association Award
Vincent Grillo Ricoh USA, Inc. Award
Kiet Pham United States Air Force Award
Luka Milincic United States Air Force Award

Promoted to State Science Fair

Luka Milincic Jefferson Young Andrew Lee Vincent Grillo

## **Student Crimestoppers**

Students can also use the Student CrimeStoppers number to report crimes anonymously (808) 955-8300

https://www.kitv.com/news/honolulu-police-encourage-students-to-help-report-bullying-and-crime-on-campus/article 5fdb1c32-4f74-11ed-901f-3f7978109106.html

**FAFSA**: Starting October 1st, the FAFSA application opens. FAFSA Application link: https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa

## STUDENT SECTION

## **College and Career Center Updates**

#### College and Career Center

Scholarship resources: <a href="https://bit.ly/KalaniScholarships">https://bit.ly/KalaniScholarships</a>

\*\*a Kalanihs.org account must be used to view the scholarship document\*\*



Scholarships

#### Reminders:

- Check your emails
  - O Don't miss out on scholarships, deadline reminders, missing documents from your school's admissions or financial aid offices, etc.
- Transcripts
  - O Stop by our office to request your mid-year transcript
  - Final transcript requests will be in May via Google Form
- Check our website for more information https://bit.ly/KalaniCollegeandCareer
- FAFSA support, please go to this link for more information <a href="https://www.pacfaa.org/page-1841145">https://www.pacfaa.org/page-1841145</a>

#### Upcoming student events:

KCC Placement Test Workshop	March 21, 23, & 30 @ 11am (advisory) in Library
KCC New Student Orientation Walkthrough	March 30 @ 11am (advisory) in Library
UH Manoa Accepted Student Presentation	TBA (sometime in March/April)

#### **Dual Credit**

The Summer/Fall 23 presentation is posted on the Dual Credit website - <a href="https://bit.ly/KalaniDualCredit">https://bit.ly/KalaniDualCredit</a>
Please see Mr. Zane in the library for more information regarding Dual Credit (Running Start / Early College) classes.

#### **Center for Tomorrow's Leaders**

CTL class dates: March: 3/21 3/28 April: 4/5 4/10 4/18 4/26 May: 5/2 5/10

#### Club Information New info forthcoming

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#### Class of 2023 (SENIOR PARENTS) PROJECT GRADUATION

If you would like to be a part of the planning for Project Graduation CLASS OF 2023, Please email Kimber Kahanu (son-Isaiah) at Kalanipg2023@gmail.com.

## **ATHLETICS**

#### **ScoringLive Top Performers**

Kylie Tanimura Kalani softball • #10 OF/C/2B Junior

Kylie Tanimura set the tone for the Kalani softball team in its regular season opener over the weekend. Tanimura, a junior right fielder, batted 3 for 4 with four runs batted in and two runs scored to lead the Falcons to an 11-2 win over host Castle Saturday morning. She accounted for 10 total bases while batting leadoff, with a home run and two triples. "Kylie is one of our fiercest competitors and she really sets the tone leading off," first-year Kalani coach Iris Stremick said. Stremick noted that the 5-foot-1 Tanimura possesses some deceptive, but serious power in her bat. "You wouldn't expect it because she has a small structure, but she can really power that ball up. It's just so fun to watch just how her set-up is not a traditional set-up, but when she gets into that launch position, she really drives the ball with everything she's got. It's always fun to watch and I'm just amazed at how much she can put into that ball," Stremick said.

Tanimura, who bats left-handed and throws right, led off Saturday's game with her first three-bagger on a line drive to the opposite (left) field. She came home to score the game's first run on the very next pitch, a passed ball. In her second plate appearance, Tanimura brought in a pair of runs with one swing of the bat. She smacked the first pitch of the at-bat over the fence in right field for a two-run home run to give Kalani a 4-0 lead. Tanimura flied out in her next at-bat, but finished her day at the dish with a two-out triple to right field that scored Kelsie Taketa and Rylie Kodama to make it a 7-0 lead after five innings. "Her intensity and her desire to compete, that's what stands out to me. Whenever I see her play, I'm always amazed how much power she can get out of her frame," Stremick said. "She's not a big girl, but she's one of our biggest power hitters. She's just very unassuming, but just really incredibly effective in whatever she does."

Tanimura, who was a Second Team All-OIA Eastern Division selection as a sophomore last year, can also play second base and even catcher, should the need arise, but her primary duties this spring will see her patrolling right field. "She's pretty much set as our right fielder and then occasionally we have her coming in as catcher and she's very strong behind the plate, doesn't skip a beat. She's able to frame (pitches) really well – basically wherever we put her, because she's so competitive, it's like she's been playing there forever, but at this point she's very valuable in the outfield for us," Stremick said. "She tracks balls very well, she doesn't sit back; She's always hungry to make the plays and she's very smart. She has a high softball IQ. She knows where the plays are, she has good vision, she's good on the base paths – just all-around a great player. Kylie's very competitive and brings the energy to the team."

Although Tanimura has the ability to get her teammates fired up, Stremick often references her calm and quiet approach at the plate. "She's very calm. She can take it deep into the count and just stay focused, no panic. She'll take a strike if it's not hers," Stremick said. "Her calmness and her focus on the batter's box is standing out to me a lot more than I've seen in years past – just good presence," Stremick expressed.

Prior to taking over the Falcons' program this season, Stremick — whose daughter Naomi is a freshman pitcher/first baseman/outfielder on the team — was more of an observer than a coach. "In the prior years I was just a spectator, but being able to work with Kylie this year, I think she's feeling more comfortable in her role, in her play, just being confident in what she can bring to the team. I think it's been good for her, as she's getting older, she falls really nicely in that leadership role, so often times when you know that you're one of the leaders, it brings more of a focus to your game as well and it's partial observation, but I get the benefit of seeing her in her mature years and how she's developed working closer with her now. I just think this year she's a lot calmer, a lot more confident and really embracing that leadership role."

As a third-year varsity player, Tanimura – along with senior infielder and University of Hawaii-signee, Madixx Muramoto – is expected to provide much of the leadership for the Falcons, whose roster is comprised of three seniors, three juniors, seven sophomores and six freshmen. "We have some really good leaders in the junior and senior class, but the bulk of our team is very young, so it's really good to have leaders like Madixx and Kylie to help guide them, especially for the freshmen. It's good for them to watch – by example – how to be intense, how to play the game and how to enjoy the game, too. As intense as Kylie is, she enjoys the game," Stremick said. "You can tell that she has fun competing."

Stremick describes Tanimura – who was a first-year member of the school's bowling team last fall – as full of spunk. "She's a lot of fun – very funny – kind of a firecracker," Stremick said. Tanimura flips the switch when it comes to gametime, however. "She has a certain quiet focus and intensity to her that when she's on the field, she's very intense, but I see that she really helps to guide the girls, the younger ones and she keeps it light in the dugout, has some fun with the girls and to me, she's really been a good role model, not necessarily telling people what to do, but with her actions and how much she hustles and how much she brings to the field every game, but at the same time, she's very approachable for the younger girls," Stremick added. Tanimura batted 2 for 2 with a double, walk and three runs scored in Kalani's 20-5 rout of Kaimuki Tuesday.

#### Baseball

Kalani 7 – Roosevelt 8			03/11	@ Kailua	3:00
03/15	@ Moanalua	3:00	03/18	Farrington @ Lanakila	3:00
03/25	@ Kaiser	11:00	03/29	@ Castle	3:00
04/01	Roosevelt	3:00	04/05	Kailua	3:00
04/08	Moanalua @ CORP	4:00	0412	Farrington	3:00
04/19	Kaiser	3:00	04/22	Castle	11:00

#### Golf

Girls	03/06
Teal Matsueda	71
Kara Kaneshiro	72
Kailee McKee	75
Rylee Shimabuku	90
Ashlyn Yorimoto	101
Zaedis Yoshizawa	86
Parker Smith	87
Bryson Nakata	88
Zachary Tam	95
Logan Smith	108
Virgil Tan	120

#### Judo

March 18	@ Castle	10:30
March 25	@ Kalani	10:30
April 1	@ Kaiser	10:30
April 8	@ Moanalua	10:30
April 15	Eastern Division @ McKinley	10:30
April 22	OIA @ Leleihua	10:30
April 29	HHSAA @ Stan Sheriff	10:30

#### Softball

Kalani 11 – Castle 2 Kalani 20 – Kaimuki 5 Kalani 17 – Roosevelt 4

03/11	@ Kailua	3:00
03/18	Kaiser @ McKinley	5:00
03/21	@ Moanalua	3:00
03/25	Roosevelt @ Stevenson	10:00
03/30	Castle	3:00
04/01	@ Kaimuki	10:00
04/06	Kailua	3:00
04/11	@ Kaiser	3:00
04/13	Moanalua	3:00

#### **Tennis**

## Game 1: McKinley

After months of preseason practice, workouts, and conditioning, the 2023 Varsity Tennis season has arrived!

The first match of the season was about patience, as the off and on rain and wind situation delayed play throughout the afternoon. The boys took care of business by taking every match against the Tigers by a team score of 5-0. The girls would end up splitting 2-2, with the 3rd doubles match being the decider. As if that was not enough drama, the match would go into a 3rd set tiebreaker, where there wasn't enough daylight left to finish. In the end, McKinley would have to travel back to Kalani on Friday to finish the match....with Kalani coming away victorious. Girls win by a team score of 3-2

#### Game 2: Kalaheo

After coming off team wins against McKinley, the team traveled to their first away game to the other side of the Ko'olaus to take on the Mustangs of Kalaheo. The boys' very close and hard-fought singles match had gone the distance to a 3rd set tiebreaker. After a neck and neck battle to the end, unfortunately, there can only be one winner, which did not go the way of the Falcons in the end. But the team overall would grab the team W of 4-1. The girls had to face a tough duo of singles players that had controlled the baseline from the beginning to the end of the game, which the Mustangs were able to take both. The 3rd doubles match was a close one that saw them reach a 3rd set tiebreaker but fell short at the end. Kalaheo takes the team score of 2-3 and hands the Kalani girls their first team loss of the season.

#### Track / Field

#### Falcon Track and Field Wins 125 Ribbons

The Kalani Falcon track and field team finished first in 11 events, earned 125 ribbons for top 8 finishes, and may have made a little history in the pole vault at the Kalani Invitational March 4 at Kaiser High School.

First place finishers included two-time first place finisher freshman Seita Takinishi (1500m, 3000m JV boys), junior Tyler Grune (110H varsity boys), sophomore Samantha Morinaga (3000 varsity girls), junior Yuta Cole (1500m varsity boys), senior Ryder Iwata (triple jump varsity boys), senior Chris Kanemori (400m varsity boys), sophomore Mia Garvin (triple jump JV girls), sophomore Joey Chu (triple jump JV boys), sophomore Jude Tombaugh (400m JV boys), and the JV girls 4x100 relay team.

Senior Rachel Shimabukuro is the first Kalani girl in a long time (and maybe ever) to compete in the pole vault. She cleared six feet, which qualifies her for the OIA Eastern Divisional Championship.

Second place finishes: Maru Sekine (3000m varsity boys), Ryder Iwata (long jump varsity boys), Brooke Yamamoto (100H girls varsity), Kaylie Liu (300H varsity girls), Alina Stephenson (discus JV girls), Kacey Miura (800m girls varsity), Jessica Phung (1500m girls varsity), and the varsity girls 4x400 team.

Third place finishes: Brooke Yamamoto (300H), Kate Shower (varsity girls shot put), Alina Stephenson (JV girls high jump), Mia Garvin (JV girls long jump), Kokona Watanabe (varsity girls triple jump), Noah Ventura (JV boys 110H), Joey Chu (JV boys long jump), Brian Lau (varsity boys long jump), Alvin Ta (varsity boys triple jump), Jasey Friel (varsity girls 400m), Millicent Nouchi (JV girls 800m), Ami Yamane (varsity girls 800m), Samantha Morinaga (varsity girls 1500m), 4x100 varsity girls relay, 4x400 JV girls relay, and 4x400 JV boys relay.

### Volleyball

Kalani 3 – Kailua 2

Kalani 0 – Moanalua 3

03/13	Roosevelt	6:00
03/15	@ McKinley	6:00
03/20	Anuenue	5:00
03/22	@ Kalaheo	6:00
03/29	Farrington	6:00
03/31	@ Kaiser	6:00
04/03	Kahuku	6:00
04/05	@ Kaimuki	5:00
04/10	Castle	6:00

## **ASET FEE \$60.00**

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 \$60.00 Athletic Supply Equipment & Transportation (ASET) fee. This fee is charged once per school year regardless of the number of teams your child gets selected for. A \$3.00 convenience fee is applied to online payments.

#### Please visit www.kalaniathletics.com for more information

#### 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 pay the \$60.00 ASET Fee

## Congratulations Dr. Michael Ida

State Finalist for Presidential Award for Excellence in Math and Science Teaching 2023

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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 surveillances 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.