

KALANI High School

WEEKLY E-BULLETIN

IMPORTANT DATES...

- 1) Tuesday, May 30 Last Day for Teachers
- 2) Thursday, June 1 First Day of Summer School

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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

Congratulations to the Class of 2023

Graduation is a milestone event and we were committed to making it a memorable one for the Class of 2023.

With the Stan Sheriff Center as the venue for our graduation ceremonies, the seniors were respectful of the moment and impressed the audience.

Aloha and mahalo to our graduates for providing countless memories

- memories that help us to remember their accomplishments

and the individuals that make this class so special.

Principal's Award

Taiga Sakai

Valedictorians (92)

*Archer Aloiau Jessica Arakaki Joshua Bodner Mark Brehm
Saara Nicole Chadwick Samuel Chun Conrad Del Rosario III Daniel Fang
Jacqueline Fujii Marisa Fujimoto Noa Dane Fujitani Jenson Fuse Shane Fuse
William Gao Sofia Garcia Vincent Grillo Lixuan He Young-Min Hong
Taylor Imano Sota Kawaguchi Christina Kawai Amber Kim Chiwon Kim
Elle Kim Jonathan Kim Joseph Kim Taiki Kobayashi Mina Kohara
Malia Korybski Elaine Ku Kaichi Kuzu Isaac Lam Aries Lara Kajioka
Matthew Lau Jacie Le Andrew Lee Matthew Li Vanessa Louie Teo Lubecke
Raymie Lum Hailey Mashino Teal Matsueda Shade Matsumoto Lin Meyers
Una Milincic Keo Minato Sara Mishina Brandon Mitchell Kacey Miura
Kaylin Miura Joie Miyashiro Tanya Morishige Jennifer Moritaka
Kendrick Mott Madixx Muramoto Kai Nakafuji Tyler Nakazaki
Amanda Nguyen Devin Nguyen Jin Niityama Rinka Oseto Wyatt Oshiro
Brian Pak Kaitlyne Park Jessica Phung Noah Rajlevsky Natalie Rea
Sakura Saito Taiga Sakai Nana Sannomiya Kainoa Santos Julia Sato
Dream Shimane Kylie Sung Takeo Swallow Kayla Sylva Tristan Ta
Braden Takamure Isa Taylor Anna Terada Bryson Ting Mira Tokuda
Shinna Tsuchiya Mira Tsunoda Lynne Tsutsuki Ashlie Wang Samuel Washburn
Junie Yan Andrew Yang Kristi Yasukochi Alexis Yorimoto Nathan Yoshida*

Valedictorians received over \$10,000,000 in scholarship money

We are still counting the amount of total scholarship \$\$\$ Kalani received

Congratulations

Taiga Sakai

Selected as a Gates Scholar and member of The Gates Scholarship Class of 2023.

Congratulations

2023 Citizen-Scholar Award recipient

Jennifer Moritaka

Congratulations

2023 Mamoru and Aiko Takitani Foundation Scholarship

Andrew Lee

Congratulations

Dr. Mark Mekar (Kalani Class of 1961) Scholarship Award

The applicants were extremely qualified with outstanding academic, leadership, and community service profiles.

Please congratulate the following recipients of the 2023 Dr. Mark Mekar Scholarship

Marisa Fujimoto Taiga Sakai Shiina Tsuchiya

Congratulations

Riko Yamaki

Accepted to and will be attending Parsons School of Design in NYC

Congratulations

University of Hawaii New Warrior Scholarships

Regents Scholar

Una Milincic

Provost Achievement Scholarship

*Mark Brehm Saara Chadwick Noah Kessler Amber Kim Joseph Kim Jacie Le
Andrew Lee Matthew Li Hailey Mashino Taiga Sakai Takeo Swallow Tristan Ta
Shiina Tsuchiya Junie Yan*

Excellence Scholarship

Taiki Kobayashi

Congratulations

Brandon Mitchell : National Merit University of Alabama Scholarship.

Congratulation

National Merit Recognition

Congratulations to the following juniors who took the PSAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test in October and met the requirements to enter the 2024 National Merit Scholarship Program. With a Selection Index Score of 207 or above, these high performers have shown outstanding academic potential. These students are among the 50,000 highest-scoring participants (out of 1.3 million students who took the test) and will be recognized in the fall as either a Semifinalist or Commended Student

Leyna Ko Chaemin Lee Gabriela Virardi Mason Vuong

Projects this summer

Rubberized Track and Field Turf ----- Tentative Start Date : June 12, 2023

Replace Gym Bleachers -----Start Date : May 24, 2023 (demo of existing bleachers started)

Capital Improvement Project (CIP):

Name: Kalani High School, Replace Gym Bleachers

Mahalo to Representative Mark Hashem and Senator Stanley Chang
for their hard work on behalf of the Kalani High School staff and students to secure these funds.

STUDENT SECTION

Congratulations
Urban Planning Competition
State Champions
Kalani – 1st Place
Iolani – 2nd Place
Iolani B and Punahou also competed

Na Hoku Opio Young Stars Music Competition

Congratulations to the 2023 winner(s)

Mira Tsunoda

This competition features locally trained, young musicians of Hawaii
– showcasing the abundance of talent being cultivated in our community.



Mira Tsunoda
Alto Saxophone

Mira will be performing with the Hawaii Symphony Orchestra
On July 22, 2023

Congratulations **Student Government Elections**

KAS

President- Kate Shower ('24)

Vice President- Hailey Takai ('24)

Secretary- Yuna Otsuka ('26) Treasurer- Kaylee Matsuda ('24)

Class of 2024 Officers

President- Yuuka Brown

Vice President- Hina Iketani

Corresponding Secretary- Eric Wong Recording Secretary- Rin Isoe

Treasurer- Kalina Hotema

Class of 2025 Officers

President- Mason Nagata

Vice President- Skyler Rivera

Corresponding Secretary- Kyra Kugiyama Recording Secretary- Shea Brown

Treasurer- Calli Amine

Class of 2026 Officers

President- Kylie Awakuni

Vice President- Kira-May Nosse

Treasurer- Sadie Nakao

Speak Now App

The Speak Now HIDOE app provides another avenue for students to report bullying incidents on campus — digitally and anonymously, if they choose — to appropriate school personnel. The app was made available to our middle schools on Jan. 31, 2019 as a first phase, high schools in September 2019, and elementary schools on March 1, 2022.

Speak Now HIDOE can be downloaded from the App Store (Apple devices) or Google Play (Android devices).

Students can continue to safely report bullying incidents in person to a trusted adult.

<https://www.hawaiipublicschools.org/ParentsAndStudents/AntiBullyingWork/Pages/Speak-Now-HIDOE.aspx>

College and Career Center Updates

College and Career Center

Scholarship resources: <https://bit.ly/KalaniScholarships>

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

Reminders:

- Check your emails
 - Don't miss out on scholarships, deadline reminders, missing documents from your school's admissions or financial aid offices, etc.
- Transcripts
 - Final transcript requests will be in May via Google Form
- Check our website for more information - <https://bit.ly/KalaniCollegeandCareer>

ATHLETICS

Athletic Banquet Awards

The Kalani Falcon athletic season officially ended with the Athletic Banquet on May 19th at the Ala Moana Hotel. With over 310 guests in attendance, Kalani's teams, coaches, and athletes celebrated and recognized outstanding achievements for the past year. We recognized 37 Most Valuable Players, 16 Falcon Trifectas (3 varsity sports), 4 Iron Falcons (4 varsity sports), and the Scholar Athletes and Athletes of the Year. We are proud of our senior athletes' accomplishments and the legacy they leave behind. This legacy should be the benchmark for achieving bigger and better things for 2023 -2024.

TEAM MOST VALUABLE PLAYERS:

Sport	Gender	Name of MVP
Air Riflery	Girls	Tifany Subramaniam
Air Riflery	Boys	Virgil Lin
Baseball	Boys	Noa Dane Fujitani
Basketball	Boys	Carson Lam
Basketball	Girls	Kristi Yasukochi
Bowling	Girls	Tylar Nakasone
Bowling	Boys	Bryson Nakata & Marvin Isaiah Luckfield
Cheer - Competition	Girls	Madison Konishi
Cheer - Sideline	Girls	Ziyun Li
Cross Country	Boys	Yuta Cole
Cross Country	Girls	Kacey Miura
Football	Boys	Dallas Tupou - Offensive MVP
Football	Boys	Ryder Iwata - Defensive MVP
Football	Boys	Mikala Nishimoto - Team MVP
Golf	Boys	Zaedis Yoshizawa

Golf	Girls	Kara Kaneshiro
Judo	Boys	Stuart Melendy
Judo	Girls	Kaycee Chun
Paddling	Boys	Chase Uchima
Paddling	Girls	Alyssa Nakama
Soccer	Girls	Ava Oshiro
Soccer	Boys	Ethan Senter
Soft Tennis	Boys	Dream Shimane
Soft Tennis	Girls	Lixuan He
Softball	Girls	Madixx Muramoto
Swimming	Boys	Otoyu Homma
Swimming	Girls	Koko Watanabe & Hailey Takai
Tennis	Boys	Kyo Homma
Tennis	Girls	Isabelle Topacio
Track	Boys	Yuta Cole
Track	Girls	Kokona Watanabe
Volleyball	Girls	Raymie Lum
Volleyball	Boys	Jin Niiyama
Wrestling	Boys	Evan Dominguez
Wrestling	Girls	Kalina Hotema

FALCON TRIFECTA AWARD (3 varsity sports)

RYDER IWATA	FOOTBALL, PADDLING, TRACK
BREEAHNA KINO	VOLLEYBALL, SOCCER, JUDO
KAYLIE LIU	VOLLEYBALL, SOCCER, TRACK
SAMANTHA MORINAGA	CROSS COUNTRY, SOFTBALL, TRACK
KIANA MIZUNO	CROSS COUNTRY, PADDLING, TRACK
ROBERT PRUNER	FOOTBALL, SOCCER, VOLLEYBALL
KAINOA SANTOS	AIR RIFLE, PADDLING, TRACK
RACHEL SHIMABUKURO	CROSS COUNTRY, SOCCER, TRACK
MIA SHIZUMURA	VOLLEYBALL, SOCCER, JUDO
RACHEL SHIMABUKURO	CROSS COUNTRY, SOCCER, TRACK
KATE SHOWER	BOWLING, BASKETBALL, TRACK
KALEKONA SPENCER	FOOTBALL, SOCCER, TRACK
KAYLA SYLVA	PADDLING, SWIMMING, TRACK
KRISTEN TAKAMURE	VOLLEYBALL, BASKETBALL, TENNIS
AIDEN TRINIDAD	FOOTBALL, WRESTLING, JUDO
DALLAS TUPOU	FOOTBALL, PADDLING, TRACK

IRON FALCON AWARD (4 varsity sports)

LOGAN SMITH	Bowling, Soft Tennis, Golf, Tennis
PARKER SMITH	Bowling, Soft Tennis, Golf, Tennis
ALINA STEPHENSON	Volleyball, Basketball, Soccer, Track
KOKONA WATANABE	Cross Country, Paddling, Swimming, Track

SCHOLAR ATHLETES:

MALE	<i>Nathan Yoshida</i>
FEMALE	<i>Kayla Sylva</i>

ATHLETES OF THE YEAR:

MALE	<i>Yuta Cole</i>
FEMALE	<i>Kara Kaneshiro & Hailey Takai</i>

Continuous Notice

The Hawaii State Department of Education (HSDOE) and its schools do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, disability, and religion in its programs and activities. Please direct inquiries regarding Department nondiscrimination policies as follows:

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	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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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:

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Inquiries concerning discrimination and/or harassment may also be referred to the Office for Civil Rights, United States Department of Education.

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.