KALANI High School

WEEKLY E-BULLETIN

IMPORTANT DATES...

1) Monday, February 12
2) Monday, February 19
3) Tuesday, March 26
4) Friday, March 29
Institute Day: No School
Holiday: Presidents' Day
Holiday: Kuhio Day
Holiday: Good Friday

5) Sunday, May 19 Senior Prom : Date Confirmed
6) Tuesday, May 21 Graduation : Date Confirmed

Spring Break: March 18 – March 22

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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

Kindness 101: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5MPVjhv2yDM

Congratulations Varsity Girls Soccer

OIA Division II Champions
Kalani 3 – Leilehua 2
East Champions

JV Girls Soccer
OIA Champions
East Champions

Varsity Girls Swimming and Diving Team

East Champions

OIA East Diving Champion
Hailey Takai

Congratulations

Drone Tournament

Twelve teams represented schools from Ewa Makai, Kalaheo and the leeward side.

Kalani's Team made of all freshmen and one 8th grader placed 2nd.

They also received the Excellence Award for outstanding performance in Autonomous Flight,

Piloting Skills, Teamwork, and Engineer's Notebook.

The Award qualifies them to compete at Nationals on May 31- June 2.

Thanks to Ms. Cayla Pang for being the tournament's Judge Advisor and

working with her team of volunteers from the Elks Lodge, and UH Engineering School.

Congratulations Yuta Cole

KALANI HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE NAMED GATORADE HAWAII BOYS CROSS COUNTRY PLAYER OF THE YEAR

CHICAGO (January 26, 2024) — In its 39th year of honoring the nation's most elite high school athletes, Gatorade today announced Yuta Cole of Kalani High School is the 2023-24 Gatorade Hawaii Boys Cross Country Player of the Year. Cole is the first Gatorade Hawaii Boys Cross Country Player of the Year to be chosen from Kalani High School. The award, which celebrates the nation's top high school athletes for excellence on the field, in the classroom and in the community, distinguishes Cole as Hawaii's best high school boys cross country player. From CEOs and coaches to star athletes, Gatorade Player of the Year winners showcase the power of sport, touting an all-star group of alumni that includes Lukas Verzbicas (2010-11 & 2009-10, Carl Sandburg High School, Ill.) and Edward Cheserek (2012-13, St. Benedict's Preparatory School, N.J.).

The 5-foot-9, 135-pound senior won the state meet this past season with a time of 16:16.12, breaking the tape 15.3 seconds ahead of his next-closest competitor and leading the Falcons to an eighth-place finish as a team. Cole won six of the eight races he entered and was the top Hawaii finisher at the Nike Cross Northwest Regional Championships, crossing the line 54th in 15:57.4. Cole has volunteered locally at the Kalani Health Fair and he has donated his time as a middle school running coach. "Yuta is a complete runner who can race in all different ways and handle different tactics," said Jack Kuo, head coach of 'Iolani School. "Yuta is a strong runner and had a great season."

Cole has maintained a 3.89 GPA in the classroom. He remains undecided upon a collegiate destination. The Gatorade Player of the Year program annually recognizes one winner in the District of Columbia and each of the 50 states that sanction high school football, girls volleyball, boys and girls cross country, boys and girls basketball, boys and girls soccer, baseball, softball, and boys and girls track & field, and awards one National Player of the Year in each sport. The selection process is administered by the Gatorade Player of the Year Selection Committee, which leverages experts including coaches, scouts, media and others as sources to help evaluate and determine the state winners in each sport. Cole joins recent Gatorade Hawaii Boys Cross Country Players of the Year Keane Palmer (2022-23, 'Iolani High School), Kaimana Cantere (2021-22, Maui High School) and Hunter Shields (2020-21 & 2019-20, Maui High School), among the state's list of former award winners. As part of Gatorade's commitment to breaking down barriers in sport, every Player of the Year also receives a grant to donate to a social impact partner. To date, Gatorade Player of the Year winners' grants have totaled more than \$4.9 million across more than 1,600 organizations.

Congratulations

Congratulations to the following students who are winners in the
61th annual Hawaii Regional Scholastic Art Competition!

The Gold Key award winners will have their work exhibited at the Capitol Modern on February 24th - May 6th.

Awards ceremony will be held on February 24th on the museum grounds.

Regional Gold Key winning pieces will go to the national level to compete for Gold & Silver medal awards.

9 Gold Keys & 29 Silver Keys - the highest number of awards ever!

Congratulations also to Teacher James Mosher

Atona Chan (grade 10) - 1 Gold Key, 2 Silver Keys Cindy Chong (grade 9) - 2 Gold Keys, 1 Silver Key Sarah Ing (grade 10) - 1 Gold Key Chiejzu Matsuo (grade 11) - 1 Gold Key, 2 Silver Keys Jane Shelverton (grade 11) - 1 Gold Key, 3 Silver Keys Marin Shiba (grade 12) - 1 Gold Key Leona Stremick (grade 12) - 1 Gold Key, 1 Silver Key Tifany Subramaniam (grade 12) - 1 Gold Key, 2 Silver Keys

ZephyrLynne Bird (grade 11) - 1 Silver Key
Ashlee Gallardo (grade 11) - 2 Silver Keys
Mia Garvin (grade 11) - 2 Silver Keys
Tyler Gilliberti-Ippel (grade 12) - 1 Silver Key
Emily Hashimoto (grade 9) - 1 Silver Key
Kaiyana Peterson (grade 11) - 1 Silver Key
Taylor Shimamura (grade 10) - 2 Silver Keys
Vinny Slobada (grade 10) - 1 Silver Key
Russet Sounthala (grade 10) - 2 Silver Keys
Elizabeth Tom (grade 10) - 1 Silver Key
Sarah Wang (grade 11) - 1 Silver Key
Jessica White (grade 12) - 1 Silver Key

Photography

Congratulations to the following students for winning silver keys and honorable mentions in the Scholastic Awards
Kaya Chang (2 Awards) Sarah Ing (5 awards) Ariel Young (4 Awards)
Natalia Tangonan (3 Awards) Ziyan Chen (3 Awards)

Presidential Scholars Program

Congratulations

Mason Vuong - nominee

The United States 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. In 1979, the Program was extended to recognize students who demonstrate exceptional talent in the visual, creative and performing arts. In 2015, the program was again extended to recognize students who demonstrate ability and accomplishment in career and technical education fields. Each year, up to 161 students are named U.S. Presidential Scholars (one male and one female students per state), one of the Nation's highest honors for high school students. The Scholars represent excellence in education and the promise of greatness in young people. In honoring the U.S. Presidential Scholars, the President of the United States symbolically honors all graduating high school seniors of high potential.

Students have the opportunity to become Presidential Scholars based on three paths of accomplishment. The majority of the Scholars are selected on the basis of broad academic achievement. 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. Five Kalani High School graduates have received this recognition since 1964 - 1972 1975 1981 1990 2017 Emily Yang (Kalani Class of 2017 – Presidential Scholar 2017) graduated from the

University of Southern California (2021) and is currently a 3rd Year student at Harvard Medical School

Kalani High School Track and Field Improvements Project

The construction site is off-limits. Please do not enter the job site.

Mahalo to Rep. Mark Hashem, Rep. Bertrand Kobayashi and Sen. Stanley Chang for securing the necessary funds

Federal Survey Cards

Students, if you haven't already done so, please have your parents complete the Federal Impact Aid Survey Form and return the form to your period 4 class as soon as possible. More forms are available at the main office.

> Your survey = money for schools. All students and schools benefit from Impact Aid.

Sister School Partnerships – International Travel

Koyo Senior High School – Hiroshima Hosted in August – Traveling to Hiroshima in January

Obihiro Hakuyo High School – Hokkaido Hosted in March – Traveled to Hokkaido in July

Iwakuni High School – Yamaguchi Prefecture Hosting in January – Traveling TBD

Hosted in July – Traveled to Kyoto in Nov. Japan Super Science Fair – Ritsumeikan High School – Kyoto

Busan Computer Science High School – Korea Hosting in January – Traveling TBD

Chengdu Debate Competition – Traveled to China in November

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

STUDENT SECTION

College and Career Center Updates

Upcoming college visits: Open to students only.

For details on the times of visits and to pick up an activity pass, stop by the College and Career Center in the library.

Check your emails: Don't miss out on scholarships, deadline reminders, missing documents from your school's admissions or financial aid offices, etc.

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

Kalani High School College & Career Center's College Planning Night:

Want to know more about what to expect for the college planning process? Join us for a virtual informational night including guest speakers from UH West Oahu, Pacific University, and Washington State University. This informational session is geared for students and families grade 9-12.

When: February 6 @ 6pm

Please look out for the Zoom link will be sent out to both student and parent emails soon

Thank you, Lisa Hayashi College and Career Kalani High School

ATHLETICS

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OIA East Diving Champion Hailey Takai

> JV Girls Soccer OIA Champions East Champions

> JV Boys Soccer
>
> East Champions

JV Girls Tennis OIA Runner-up East Champions

Boys Basketball

Kalani 41 – Kalaheo 53	Kalani 71 – Kaimuki 56
Kalani 53 – Kahuku 68	Kalani 37 – Kailua 48
Kalani 56 – Roosevelt 43	Kalani 62 – Kaiser 34
Kalani 64 – Farrington 56	Kalani 50 – Castle 34

Kalani – McKinley January 27 Kalani @ Moanalua

February 1-7 OIA February 12-18 HHSAA

Girls Basketball

Kalani 21 – Kailua 44	Kalani 13 – Kahuku 76
Kalani 28 – Roosevelt 41	Kalani 45 – Kaiser 32
Kalani 39 – Moanalua 55	Kalani 36 – Farrington 40
Kalani 65 – Kaimuki 21	Kalani 27 – McKinley 19
Kalani 57 – Anuenue 19	Kalani 60 – Kalaheo 48
Kalani 44 – Castle 37	Kalani 39 – Leilehua 51

Boys Soccer

Kalani 3 – Moanalua 2 Kalani Boys Soccer qualifies for State Tournament

February 5-10 HHSAA

Wrestling

January 27 Dual Championships @ Mililani

Round Robin @ Aiea

February 3 Eastern @ Kailua February 9/10 OIA @ Leilehua February 23/24 HHSAA @ TBD

Swimming

January 26	OIA Trials	@VMAC	3:15
January 27	OIA Diving	@VMAC	10:00
January 27	OIA Finals	@VMAC	2:00
	Bye Week	February 3	

February 9 HHSAA Trials @Maui February 10 HHSAA Finals @Maui February 10 HHSAA Diving @Maui

Paddling

Season completed

JV Baseball

Season completed

Congratulations

OIA Football All-Stars

Defensive Player of the Year: Justin Botelho

1st Team Defense: Justín Botelho – LB 2nd Team Offense: Sonny Iaea – RB 2nd Team Offense: Sílas Soberano – WR 2nd Team Offense: Carson Lam – DB 2nd Team Utility: Jordan Amalato

2nd Team Kicker: **Ryan Bulseco**

Honorable Mention: Koa Colburn, Duke Corso, Micaiah Kanahele, Zachariah Kia-Kama, Kynan McCartney, Alstín Quisquirin-Sabagala, Chainton Saldebar, Shiro Sunada, Aiden Trinidad

Congratulations

OIA Eastern Division 1st Team Volleyball All-Stars

Haylee Lyons

*Ayre Takemoto**

OIA Eastern Division 3rd Team Volleyball All-Star *Shyanne Yamada*

OIA Eastern Division Volleyball Honorable Mention

Kiera Kanoa-Faalafua Kaílee-Lei McKee Jaci Miyasaki

Congratulations

OIA Eastern Division 1st Team Air Riflery All-Stars

Anna Seavey Tifany Subramaniam**

OIA Eastern Division 2nd Team Air Riflery All-Stars Girls: **Xaílee Gabrís** Boys: **Aídan Gía-Díep**

SPORTS OFFERINGS 2023-24

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

SPRING

BASEBALL (V) B/G GOLF (V) B/G JUDO (JV/V) G SOFTBALL (V)
B/G TENNIS (V) Boys VOLLEYBALL (JV/V) Girls WATER POLO (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 pay the \$60.00 ASET Fee

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. 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) 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.

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

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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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.