

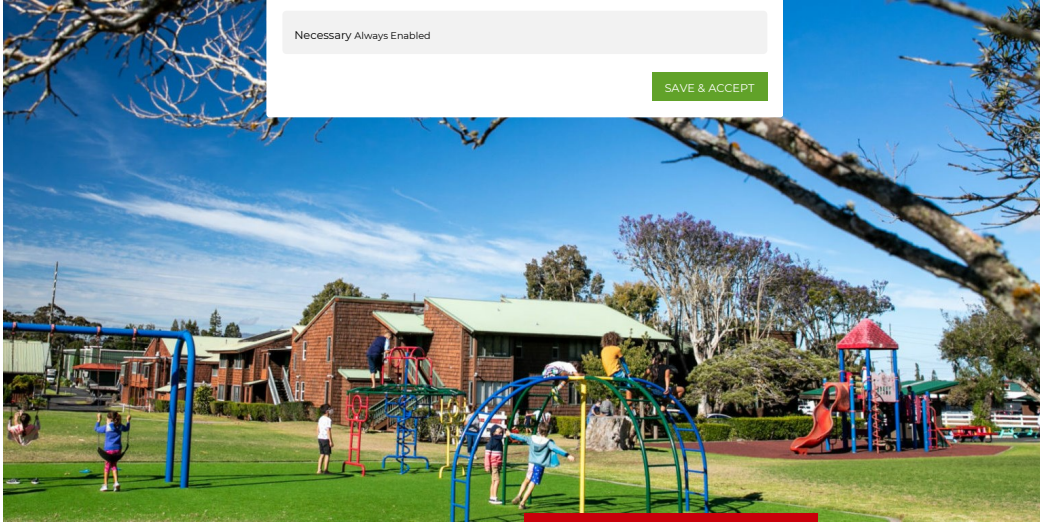
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**ALL-SCHOOL BULLETIN**

What's Happening at HPA This Week?

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Message from the Head of School

Aloha HPA 'ohana,

As we head into another weekend, I am hopeful that parents were able to partake in the information sessions offered within each of our divisions this week. Our developmental age-specific sessions were designed to give you insight into your student's learning and experience. Physical and mental health are more important now than ever. Our friend Ian Groves from Freedom from Chemical Dependency (FCD) was back with us sharing facts, stories and prevention strategies with our Middle and Upper school students. Ian's sessions are always engaging and often end with a line of students waiting to ask questions. Check-in with your student about this week's presentations. Honoring the challenges our kids go through and offering encouragement and supportive space to discuss hard topics like chemical dependency goes a long way.

A few highlights from this week for me were witnessing the start of the always popular swim unit for our Lower School students, the bustling Club Fair at the Upper Campus and the beginning of the weeknight intramural basketball season at the upper courts. As we settle into our routines, we can also build on our experiences by creating new and bold opportunities to safely be together in the name of fun.

Family Weekend

As a reminder, our upcoming Family Weekend on Thursday, September 30, through Friday, October 1, will be virtual this year. Though we hope to be able to welcome and host all our HPA 'ohana on campus in the near future, given the current positivity rate on the island paired with the request by our Governor to limit unessential travel, out of an abundance of caution **we have decided on a series of virtual events rather than our traditional in-person Family Weekend**. We feel it is best for everyone's safety and wellbeing. We will be sending out additional details on how to sign-up next week, but for now we want you to be prepared for virtual parent-teacher conferences.

Wishing you all a happy Aloha Friday. Have a great weekend!

Gratefully,
Fred Wawner
Interim Head of School

Important documents:

[HPA's Return to Campus, Plans and Policies 2021-2022](#)

[HPA's Vaccination Policy 2021](#)

[HPA's Testing Policy](#)

[HPA's Travel and Quarantine Policy](#)

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HPA TODAY

Fostering Positivity

Village Campus principals Glenn Chickering and Dora Kwong bring renewed focus to restorative practices

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Lower School

From the desk of your Division Principal, Dora Kwong

Hello Lower School families! The start of our week brought focus to our Core Value, Wonder. How can we live and learn in our world through a lens of wonder, inquiry, curiosity? How do we as educators and caregivers support our learners so they will always feel a sense of joy in discovery and knowledge attainment? During our Lower School assembly on Monday, it was beautiful to witness students sharing the knowledge they had attained and to support the sense of wonder in our entire Lower School community. By providing students with varied learning opportunities, we encourage this sense of wonder and learning throughout all our grades. From chanting Hiki Mai with Kumu Kūwalu, being led by 4th grade students in physical fitness exercises, showing off our dance moves with Ms. Di Bartolo, meeting Middle School Principal Mr. Chickering, hearing about the Student Council, and engaging in mindfulness as a whole Lower School — we seek to reinforce and support whole child learning, inquiry, and community.

Conferences

We will be holding virtual parent-teacher conferences next week on Thursday, September 30, and Friday, October 1. This is an opportunity for you to meet your child(ren)'s teachers and get an overview of how things are going in their classes. The Village Campus office will be reaching out to you next week with instructions for scheduling times with teachers. If you have difficulty scheduling a time on those two days, we can always find another time to connect. Teachers will always reach out to you anytime they have a concern. Please note that there will be no classes for students on these days.

Thanks to all those who were able to attend the Virtual Lower School Information sessions this week. It was wonderful to connect with some of you face-to-face, even though it was on a screen! If you missed it and would like to see what we talked about, here is the [K-2 presentation](#) and the [grades 3-5 presentation](#) with the topics that were addressed. Please feel free to reach out to me at any time with questions or concerns.

Warmly yours,
Dora Kwong
Lower School Principal

Schedule

As a reminder, Monday, September 20, is a Lower, Middle, and Upper School faculty work day and there are no classes.

Our K-5 classes continue with in-person instruction on our Village Campus on Tuesday, September 21.

We encourage all families to check the [School Calendar](#) in [myHPA](#) for the most up-to-date information. In addition, a list of **Key Dates** (school opening and closures) can also be located on the [Lower School Family Resources](#) tile located in [myHPA](#).

Student Support

Thank you for ensuring your child is wearing a clean mask every day and also has an extra mask available. Please send your child with a rain jacket to school every day, no matter what the morning weather may be.

Ms. Baydo (K-8 School Counselor) rbaydo@hpa.edu and Mr. Ludes (K-8 Learning Specialist) jludes@hpa.edu are available to discuss and support social-emotional and academic concerns for your child(ren). Please connect with them via email.

Coming Up

- Monday, September 20: Faculty work day K-12, no classes
 - Wednesday, September 22, from 12:45 to 1:45 pm: Screening testing
 - Wednesday, September 22: Early release for Lower and Middle School students
 - Thursday, September 23 and Friday, September 24: [Scholastic Book Fair](#)
 - Thursday, September 30: Virtual parent-teacher conference, no classes
 - Friday, October 1: Virtual parent-teacher conferences, no classes
- Parents please keep an eye out for the email to sign up for a time with your child's teacher.*

Scholastic Book Fair

As a reminder, we will once again hold the Scholastic Book Fair for the Village Campus. This event, hosted by the Friends of the HPA Libraries, will take place on Thursday, September 23, and Friday, September 24. With specific COVID-19 health and safety measures in place, we are eager to provide this opportunity for students to browse and purchase books in a measured and physically distanced way. Although parents will not be able to visit the Book Fair with their children, note the option for eWallet arrangements for their children, as well as the option to participate via the online fair. Please see [this flyer for more information](#).

After School Program, K-5

Please email our Director of After School Programs, Mrs. Mele DeMille (mdemille@hpa.edu) if you would like your child to attend. You may refer to [this email for more information](#).

Past Email Communication

All past email communications can be accessed by visiting the [Lower School Family Resources](#) tile on [myHPA](#) and scrolling down to 'Past Parent Email Communications, 2021-2022.'

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In addition to Seesaw, many important resources can be located on our community portal, [myHPA](#). Two key resource boards that we would like to draw your attention to are the 'Lower School Family Resources' and the 'Return to Campus 2021-2022 Plans and Information'. For [myHPA](#) concerns, please contact help@hpa.edu.

Additional Information

Please review our [updated Lower School and Middle School Guidelines for Pickup/Dropoff](#). If your child arrives after 8:00 am, please send them to the office for a tardy slip. All families, including Kindergarten families, should remain in their cars during pickup and dropoff. Also, thank you to many families who have posted a sign in their window with their child's name and grade for fast and easy dismissal.

Middle School: International Coastal Clean-up Day



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Middle School

From the desk of your Division Principal, Glenn Chickering

Aloha Middle School families! It has been a great week in Middle School, with special guests and special trips. Our 8th grade students welcomed Ian Groves, from *Prevention Works!*, who spoke to them about the dangers of addictive substances. Ian has a great rapport with students and his message carries a lot of weight. We are working with Ian and the Upper School counselors to welcome Upper School student leaders to share these messages with our 6th and 7th grade students also.

Our grade 7 students participated in the International Coastal Clean-up on Thursday afternoon. Each advisory group went to a different section of the Kawaihae Coast to clear the area of rubbish, and then record and weigh the items to share in an international database.

We're looking forward to the Scholastic Book Fair next week. Middle School students will have an opportunity to browse books in Hale Īnana on Friday, September, 24. The Book Fair is also open online from September 21, through September 25. Please see this link for more information: [Hawaii Preparatory Academy Scholastic Book Fair](#). Although parents will not be able to visit the Book Fair with their children, note the option for eWallet arrangements for their children, as well as the option to participate via the online fair. Please see [this flyer for more information](#).

Conferences

We will be holding virtual conferences on Thursday and Friday, September 30, and October 1. This is an opportunity for you to meet your child(ren)'s teachers and get an overview of how things are going in their classes. The Village Campus office will be reaching out to you next week with instructions for scheduling times with teachers. Please note that many teachers will be very busy with conferences, and if you do have difficulty scheduling a time on those two days, we can always find another time to connect. Teachers will always reach out to you anytime they have a concern. *Please note that there will be no classes for students on these days.*

Mahalo,
Glenn Chickering
Middle School Principal

Schedule

As a reminder, Monday, September 20, is a Lower, Middle, and Upper School faculty work day and there are no classes.

Our [Middle School 2021-2022 Daily Schedule](#) continues with in-person instruction on our Village Campus on Tuesday, September 21.

Student Support

Please remember that we will be outside as much as possible during lunch and recess, so a rain jacket for light rains and a pareo or small beach towel for picnicking will be great to have at school. Students should also bring a water bottle to school each day.

Ms. Baydo (K-8 School Counselor) rbaydo@hpa.edu and Mr. Ludes (K-8 Learning Specialist) jludes@hpa.edu are available to discuss and support social-emotional and academic concerns for your child(ren). Please connect with them via email.

Coming Up

- Monday, September 20: Faculty work day K-12, no classes
- Wednesday, September 22, from 11:45 am to 12:45 pm: Screening testing
- Wednesday, September 22: Early release for Lower and Middle School students
- Thursday, September 23-24: [Scholastic Book Fair](#)
- Thursday, September 30: Virtual parent-teacher conference, no classes

Friday, October 1: Virtual parent-teacher conferences, no classes
Parents please keep an eye out for the email to sign up for a time with your child's teacher.

After School Program, Grades 6-8

There is still room in some of our After School Programs. Please email our Director of After School Programs, Mrs. Mele DeMille (mdemille@hpa.edu) if you would like your child to attend. You may refer to [this email for more information](#).

Past Email Communications

All past email communications can be accessed by visiting the [Middle School Family Resource](#) tile on [myHPA](#) and scrolling down to 'Past Email Communications, 2021-2022'.

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[myHPA](#) is where you can find [all the resources](#) related to your child's learning. Three key resource boards that we would like to draw your attention to are the 'Middle School Family Resources', 'Middle School Student Resources', and the 'Return to Campus 2021-2022 Plans and Information'.

Additional Information

Please be sure to review our [updated Lower School and Middle School Guidelines for Pickup/Dropoff](#). We do ask that parents remain in their cars and wait for students to come to them.



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Upper School

From the desk of your Po'o Kumu (Division Principal), Ka'ai Spencer

Aloha e nā 'ohana o ka makani! The opening greeting that has been used for this section of the All-School Bulletin is directed to all of the families and friends of ka makani, the wind. Waimea is very well known for the swift-moving wind and rain that stings and shivers the skin of anyone in its way. Like many cultures around the world, Hawaiians establish a connection with these elements by giving names to further establish a level of respect. The name for the famed wind and rain of Waimea is Kipu'upu'u. This force of nature was so widely recognized that the most feared and established warrior band of Waimea was also named Kipu'upu'u as a way to embody the swift and forceful nature of the winds and rains. The Kipu'upu'u warriors of Waimea were swift, skilled, and gritty.

As someone who is born and raised in Hawai'i, I have always wondered why many schools in Hawai'i use mascots that are not associated with Hawai'i. The more I learned about Hawai'i's history and the deep impact of educational influences on the consciousness of a people, the more I understood how the names of schools are one of the many ways Hawaiians have been trained to be proud of things that otherwise would not have much importance.

Here at Hawai'i Preparatory Academy, we are fortunate to be known as a force of nature that has been recognized for many generations. The Kipu'upu'u wind and rain is referenced in historical chants, stories, and songs. To be associated with something that is held in very high regard across Hawai'i is something that we should all be proud of. Pride for the makani of Waimea has been well represented for generations. Our role as a school in this current time is to be aware of this pride and join in.

Several years ago I was asked for my thoughts on what it means to be ka makani by Daniel Groves, one of our former student body presidents here at HPA. I told Daniel that to be ka makani is to be steadfast in the face of adversity, much like the koai'a trees and 'a'alii shrubs that keep themselves anchored in the strongest of gusts. Conversely, being ka makani also means that we need to embody the relentless nature of the wind when we are in pursuit of our grounded beliefs and goals. This dualism will keep us all prepared for anything life throws at us.

Eō mai e kō Waimea, nā koai'a e kūpa'a mau ana i ka makani pāhili o ke Kipu'upu'u i ke anu o nā Kohala.

Ke aloha nō,
Ka'ai Spencer
Upper School Po'o Kumu

Schedule

As a reminder, Monday, September 20, is a Lower, Middle, and Upper School faculty work day and there are no classes. Our [Upper School 2021-2022 Daily Schedule](#) will resume as a Mamo day with in-person instruction on our Upper Campus on Tuesday, September 21.

Student Support

We are doing our best to maintain appropriate physical distancing on campus, per CDC and Department of Health recommendations. We ask for your support in continuing that effort even when off-campus. Our hope is that students traveling together to and from school, or spending

time with friends or extended family in the evenings or over the weekends, will all do their best to maintain proper physical distances and mask-wearing, when appropriate. These efforts will help us to protect each other and the rest of our 'ohana and community.

Should your child need additional learning support, we encourage you to reach out to JoAn Canning, our Upper School Learning Support Center Director, by emailing jcanning@hoa.edu. In addition, our counselors are ready to assist any student who needs additional support to navigate these unusual and unprecedented times. Please feel free to reach out to the Upper Campus counseling team of Steve Furchner at 808-640-4441 or sfurchner@hpa.edu, and Tiffany Freitas at 808-345-8869 or tfreitas@hpa.edu.

Coming Up

- Monday, September 20: Faculty work day K-12, no classes
- Tuesday, September 21, from 11:05 am to 12:25 pm: Screening testing
- Wednesday, September 22, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm: Flu clinic
- Thursday, September 30, from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm: Virtual parent-teacher conference, no classes
- Friday, October 1, from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm: Virtual parent-teacher conferences, no classes

Parents please keep an eye out for the email to sign up for a time with your child's teacher.

Additional Information

Flu Clinic

In partnership with Foodland Pharmacy, HPA is offering our annual flu clinic next Wednesday.

- **Who:** All Upper School students and HPA employees
- **When:** Wednesday, September 22, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm
- **Where:** Upper Campus, Gates Performing Arts Center (GPAC)
- **How:** Walk-up. No appointment is required.

For students: The Foodland Pharmacy flu clinic consent form is available in your child's Magnus Health Student Medical Record. To access their Magnus Health account, please log into your [myHPA](#) parent portal and click on the Magnus Health tile on the resource board. Please understand that without this completed form, Foodland is unable to administer the flu vaccine. If you have already filled out this form, you do not need to do it again.

In the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is more important than ever to be vaccinated for the flu this year. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have answered frequently asked questions [here](#). To clarify, this is the 2021-2022 influenza vaccine. *Please note this is not a COVID-19 vaccination.*

Ka Makani Athletics

Fall season competitions will start up on October 15. Final schedules for football, girls volleyball, and cross country will be finalized soon.

A couple of dates to highlight:

- BIIF XC Championship at HPA on Saturday, November 20, at 9:00 am
- Football vs Kamehameha at HPA on Saturday, November 27, at 2:00 pm
- HHSAA XC Championships at HPA on Saturday, December 4, at 8:30 am

Residential Life

Aloha residential families! Unfortunately, we find ourselves in a position where the conditions on our island, and associated restrictions put in place by our local government, have meant that our Family Weekend will have to be virtual this year. We share in your disappointment, and will work hard to make sure that students who do not have family on-island for this long weekend have lots of opportunities to get off campus, or enjoy each other's company in group activities while on campus. For those families who already purchased tickets to come to the island for this weekend, that is still absolutely okay! In fact, given that there will not be classes on Thursday, September 30, this may provide a better opportunity for you to spend more time with your child.

If you are planning to come for a visit, please review the relevant travel policies, as published over the summer, which remain in effect. You can find the complete policy on [myHPA](#) [here](#). In summary, if you come to visit, please plan to have your child in your care for at least 6 days, so that they can get a COVID-19 test on day 5 after your arrival, and receive a negative result before returning to the dormitory. If your child is vaccinated, they may attend classes during this time, but may not return to the dorms until the negative test result is received. If they are not vaccinated, they must stay off-campus until the negative test result is received.

College Counseling

The following virtual college visits are scheduled for the coming week. All visits will take place from 11:15 – 11:45 am. Zoom links for each of these visits can be found in your [myHPA](#) calendar. Parents are welcome to join!

- Tuesday, September 21: Reed College (Portland, OR)
- Wednesday, September 22: Villanova University (Villanova, PA)
- Thursday, September 23: San Diego State University (San Diego, CA)
- Friday, September 24: Grand Canyon University (Phoenix, AZ)

Testing

The PSAT will be administered on the Upper Campus on Saturday, October 16, from 7:30 am to 12:30 pm. All HPA sophomores and juniors are required to take this standardized test. College Counseling has already registered the 10th and 11th graders and covered their testing fees. If freshmen are interested in registering to take the PSAT, they should contact our test coordinator, Monica Hattoon-Green, at testing@hpa.edu by Friday, September 3. Please see [this email sent on August 23](#) for more information.

Past Email Communications

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HPA ALUMNI

Stories From Waimea and Beyond

We invite you to enjoy these stories of HPA and Ka Makani 'ohana near and far in our Kupa'a e-newsletter.

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All-School News

Health and Wellness

Mahalo nui to everyone for their diligence in following our health and safety guidelines — from wearing a mask to washing your hands and sanitizing the areas you pass through, along with maintaining proper physical distances and reviewing our symptom checklist before entering either of our campuses. **If you're not feeling well, please be sure to stay home.** It is everyone's responsibility to keep us all well, and your efforts make a difference.

In addition to the multitude of safety measures in place, we have established isolation rooms on both campuses in the event we have a person under investigation for COVID-19 (or any other contagious disease) during the academic day. We'd like to reassure you that we are following (and at times, even exceeding) all CDC and Department of Health guidelines and continuously monitoring any changes that are being made on their end to ensure that our [COVID-19 Decision Tree](#) remains current.

COVID-19 Communications

As a reminder, we will send COVID-19 Communication emails to the specific class, division, or group identified as needing immediate notification. Otherwise, all updates will appear in the 'COVID-19 Communications' section of the ['2021-2022 COVID-19 Plans & Information' Resource Board on myHPA](#). Students and families will always have access to this resource board to check daily, should they wish to. This decision was made in an effort to balance our commitment to transparency and accountability with COVID-19 notifications and our desire to limit the number of correspondence families receive daily that may not personally impact them.

Campus Access

During this time, **campus access is limited to current students, employees, essential contractors, and approved guests** — all of whom have completed a daily thermal/symptom check and a screening questionnaire.

Should a family member of a student need a meeting with a faculty, staff, or administrative team member, kindly contact them so that they can apply to have you come to campus. If approved, they will then send you a COVID-19 questionnaire. From that point, security team members will be alerted to your appointment date and time, and let you onto campus.

At the Upper School, please do not park in the Day Student Parking Lot (DSPL) and walk-in without an appointment. Similarly, at the Village Campus, kindly call or email for an appointment so that arrangements can be made. Please remember, masks are required on campus at all times when indoors. As a visitor, on either campus, you will be asked for a temperature check. Mahalo for your understanding and respect for this process.

CrisisGo for Parents

It is important that all families are set up with CrisisGo, HPA's school emergency communication tool. To set up CrisisGo SMS/Email subscription, please click on this [invitation link](#) and complete the form by adding your name, email, and cell number (this is an important step if you would like to receive SMS message) and click on the Subscribe button. Should an emergency occur you will be alerted by email and SMS messaging. You can also locate these instructions by logging into [myHPA](#), clicking on the resource tab, and selecting the CrisisGo Safe2SpeakUp tile.

Safe2SpeakUp for Middle and Upper Students

Similarly, Middle and Upper School students received instructions during orientation on how to upload the Safe2SpeakUp app. This is a companion app to CrisisGo. It will allow the school to alert students of emergencies and enable students to communicate with us should there be any behaviors they are concerned about. Students can also locate instructions on setting up Safe2SpeakUp in [myHPA](#).

All students can also submit an Online Bully/Harassment report by [clicking on this link](#), which can also be located on the CrisisGo Safe2SpeakUp tile on [myHPA](#).

Admissions

The 2022-2023 academic year new student application will be ready very soon! For our families with siblings of current students, we would love to hear from you if you're considering applying next year. In addition, if you have friends or extended family who might be interested in attending HPA next year, spread the word and please let us know how we can help expedite the process by writing admissions@hpa.edu.

Advancement & Alumni

Our family participation effort in support of the HPA Fund kicks off on September 21! Our goal is to reach 100% participation in the Fund. Your support helps deliver the HPA experience for every student — from dynamic programming and outstanding faculty to art supplies and Wi-Fi, the HPA Fund makes it all possible. Every gift, any size makes a difference!

You can [make your gift today](#) and help us kick off this year's effort! Mahalo nui!

'Ohana Association

The 'Ohana Association is a parent volunteer organization, which is affiliated with and coordinates closely with the school. Every HPA parent is a member of the 'Ohana Association and all are welcome to join us at our 'Ohana Association Board meetings, which will be announced on the 'Ohana Association [myHPA](#) resource page and can be located on the [myHPA school calendar](#). Our mission is to support a great experience for every HPA student, as well as to foster a sense of community within the student body, parents and families, the staff and faculty of HPA, and the

local community. [Click here to read the latest update from the 'Ohana Association.](#)

Isaacs Art Center

Isaacs Art Center is free and open to the public, Monday through Friday from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. We invite you to come see our landscape show featuring Clemson Lam, a parent of a 2003 alumnus. This special exhibit, Island Views of the Past and Present, will run through October 29.

As a reminder, Isaacs Art Center is free and open to the public, during normal hours of operation, Monday through Friday from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Gallery works for sale may also be viewed on our [website](#). Be sure to also visit our [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#) pages for highlights from ongoing exhibitions. Sales from gallery artwork have supported the HPA Financial Aid program since opening in 2004.



2021-2022 COVID-19 Plans & Information

Past HPA communications and other important information can be found on [myHPA](#). We are continuing to make updates to our student and parent resource boards, so please be sure to visit them regularly. For a complete directory of all our health and safety protocols, please review our [2021-2022 COVID-19 Plans and Information](#) tile.



PREVIOUS ALL-SCHOOL BULLETINS

[All-School Bulletin: September 10, 2021](#)

[All-School Bulletin: September 3, 2021](#)

[All-School Bulletin: August 27, 2021](#)

Mahalo to all our students, families, faculty, and staff for everything you're doing to keep our campuses and community as safe as possible as we navigate the start of our 2021-2022 academic year. Together we are #KaMakaniSTRONG!

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