Kahuku High & Intermediate School

Parent Newsletter Jan/Feb





SAVE THE DATES!

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH 6PM CAFE

Parent Focus Group

The Red Book is the go-to guide for parents and students. It's time to update it- but we don't want to do that without getting your input! What information would have been helpful for you to have at your fingertips this year? Please tell! Not sure what the Red Book is all about? No problem, we'll fill you. Please join us for refreshments and conversation about how to improve, update and revise our Red Book.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28 & WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1ST

10th Grade Mock Interview Program at BYU

Our 10th graders are busy getting their resumes ready for what's sure to be an exciting day of job preparation training! Our 10th graders will be interviewed by professionals from a wide variety of fields and backgrounds. Thank you to the KHIS parents who have already volunteered to help. If you are able and willing, your time would be greatly appreciated! Please contact 10th grade counselor Amanda McCauley amccauley@kahukuhs.k12.hi.us.

FRIDAY APRIL 7th

Running Start GEAR UP Scholarship Deadline

Running Start is a program that allows "eligible" high school students to take a college course at a University of Hawaii system campus as part of their high school coursework. **GEAR UP** supports low-income students' participation in the Running Start dual credit program by providing support for tuition and books. GEAR UP Hawai'i offers Running Start Scholarships to Hawai'i public high school students who are economically disadvantaged (defined as receiving free lunch, reduced lunch). The deadline for the fall semester scholarship is April 7th. (Read more on page 4 of this newsletter.)

Hats off to our National Certified Teachers



Most of us can look back and remember a teacher who made an impact on our lives, and perhaps changed the course of our future. Stellar teaching is not just an innate gift, it's cultivated; best practices are learned and in fact-- practiced. The National Board of Certification was designed to "develop, retain and recognize" accomplished teachers who have met the highest standards of the profession. Teachers who volunteer to go through the certification process commit to a rigorous 2-year performance-based program, whereby they demonstrate their ability to raise student learning and achievement. We would like to recognize the following KHIS teachers who are National Board Certified Teachers:

Amber O'Reilly Mariko Jackson, Karin Hansen del Rey Amy Swiderski *Lisa Hyatt (*currently enrolled)

Student Activities Coordinator, Kaniela Kalama, has been overseeing KHIS SBG for six years now. He sees his role as an opportunity to empower students to take on new roles and responsibilities that will prepare them for college and career. Over the course of the six years that Kaniela has coordinated the program, he's seen students step up and create, plan, and implement a host of successful programs and events including: food drives, school dances, class socials, buddy programs, class spirit rallies, school assemblies, drug awareness programs, & lip sync contests-- to name just a few! Students interested in joining SBG next year should contact Mr. Kalama in room in R103. Information will be posted in the cafeteria on different available positions.

Why encourage your student to join

Student Body Government?

Here are just some of the reasons!

-develop leadership, teamwork, communication, project-planning & time-management skills

-beneficial on college applications

-service work and volunteer opportunities on and offcampus

-exposure to outside organizations and non-profits

-fun activities, parties, & events

-meet new friends

-reasonable time commitment

-mentorship

Opportunities for your student with the Health and Learning Center





Is your student interested in a career in the health field? This includes doctors nurses, physical therapists, athletic trainers, EMT's, veterinarians and many more. Kahuku High School's Health Learning Center is a specially funded program designed to give students a jump-start on their career training.

There are four classes in the learning center along with our HOSA - Future Health Professionals club.*

In Health Services Core, students learn about the different careers in the health field, begin studying medical terminology, health care skills, and the body systems. In Clinical Health, the focus is on hands-on learning of health care skills such as blood pressure, splinting, suturing, phlebotomy and more. Students participate in case studies exploring different diseases and begin job shadowing. Medical Biotechnology explores the laboratory side of health care. Students study forensics along with research lab techniques.

In the Health Capstone course, students spend the long period at the Ko'olauloa Health and Wellness Center, interacting with patients and staff in the field. Capstone students run the school blood drives and help out with health-related projects on campus while continuing their studies. The HOSA club participates in healthrelated activities in both the school and community. In February, HOSA members participate in the HOSA competition in an event of their choice. Students spend two days at the Convention Center with others from across the islands, competing and then celebrating together at a huge dance. Those who do well in the state competition can compete at the National level. This year's national competition is at Disneyworld!

Please encourage your child to register for our health learning center classes and/or the HOSA club. We would love to have your student join us! -Amy Swiderski

*Please see counselor for details and prerequisites for classes



Your student can earn college credit-in high school!

There's an exciting program that launched, & more are in the works — all with the aim to help your student earn college credit while attending KHIS.

Last semester some of our high school students had the opportunity to earn both college credit and high school credit by taking an anthropology course taught by a Windward Community College professor, right here at KHIS. This semester, a class of 10th, 11th, and 12th graders are taking an English 100 course taught by Susan St. John, English Professor at WCC. Here are just some of the

advantages:

- Students receive both college credit and high school credit
- Students can complete a whole year of their high school english requirement by taking one semester of a college English course
- Students are given the same assignments and reading as any other college students, giving them a chance to discover what a "real" college class is like
- Students are supported in completing assignments by a KHIS teacher 2 days a week
- Students benefit from having the opportunity to experience how technology is used in the college classroom, how they will use it not only to learn the subject matter--but also to communicate with the professor.



Professor Susan St, John

In addition to the benefits above, Professor St. John explained that because her KHIS students are also officially enrolled at WCC, they have full access to their online library there as well as the tutoring services.

In speaking with Professor St. John, she shared that a "polycom" is utilized in the KHIS classroom whereby students watch the professor in "real time" on a screen. "There are several multi-directional microphones in the room that allow me to call on students as if I was physically present. The students have adjusted well to the polycom." She added that the online course management system she uses provides a discussion post for the students as well as links and helpful study guides, etc.



Convinced by the research that shows participation in early-college programs can increase students' exposure and aspirations for postsecondary success, Ardis Eschenberg, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs at WCC is a great advocate for these programs. He points to data that shows that high school students who graduate with college credits are more likely to enroll, persist, and succeed in higher education.

Personally, Professor St. John shared that she thinks professors like herself "benefit from the partnership these programs offer; the collaboration keeps teaching fresh." She appreciates the new input and energy.

KHIS admin plans to increase the amount of dual credit classes and students taking them. Next year, a cohort of 9th graders will start

taking their first college course. They will be supported on a track to continue taking at least one college course a semester--right here at KHIS-- with the goal to have completed their AA while earning their high school diploma!

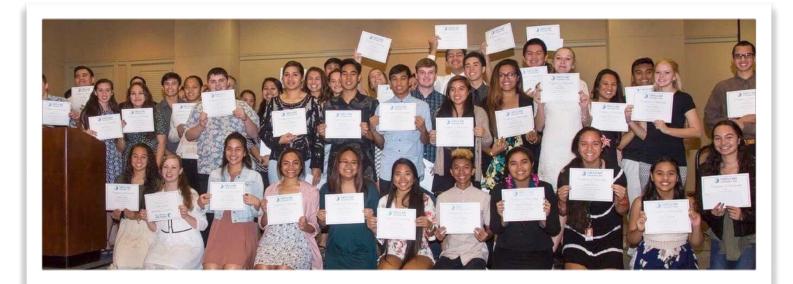
And in fact, KHIS 10th counselor Amanda McCauley is trying to get the word out that any KHIS student can earn college credit with the "Running Start" program offered at WCC. She and the other KHIS counselors encourage students and parents to explore this great opportunity to jump-start their college/career path. Check out: https://windward.hawaii.edu/Student_Affairs/Early_Admissions/ for more information. Or, call your student's KHIS Counselor to learn more about enrollment and scheduling: 808-307-7000

KHIS Awarded Grants & Scholarships



Turtle Bay Foundation recently awarded more than \$142,000 in grants and scholarships to162 North Shore nonprofit organizations and college-bound students. Altogether, 96 community organizations and 66 students were recognized during the Foundation's fourth annual awards dinner at Turtle Bay Resort. KHIS was one of the great beneficiaries of the evening, as were many KHIS students.

"The future of Koʻolauloa and the North Shore is important to us all at Turtle Bay Resort. We're truly honored to give back to our community and help support these deserving recipients in fulfilling their future goals," said Danna Holck, a Foundation Board Member, and Vice President and General Manager of Turtle Bay Resort.



Turtle Bay Foundation Grant Awardees

Turtle Bay Foundation awarded grants to the following KHIS organizations to support their programs and good work in directly improving the lives of people in Koʻolauloa and the North Shore:

- Kahuku High & Intermediate School KHS Science Club
- Kahuku High & Intermediate School 10th Grade Language Arts
- Kahuku High & Intermediate School 11th Grade Language Arts
- Kahuku High & Intermediate School KHS College & Career Center
- Kahuku High & Intermediate School Student Government Leadership Camp
- Kahuku High & Intermediate School 10th Grade Reading Program
- Kahuku High & Intermediate School 10th Grade Media Lab
- Kahuku High & Intermediate School 11th Grade English Department Media Lab
- Kahuku High & Intermediate School We the People Team 2017
- Kahuku High & Intermediate School Career Mock Interviews
- Kahuku High & Intermediate School Supplies for Sewing Lab
- Kahuku High & Intermediate School Social Studies High School Computer Lab
- Kahuku High School Golf Team

- Kahuku High School Girls Volleyball Team
- Kahuku High School Football Team
- Kahuku High School Boys Basketball Team
- Kahuku High School Girls Swimming Team
- Kahuku High School Boys Varsity Baseball
- Kahuku High School Boys Swimming Team
- Kahuku High School Tennis Team
- Kahuku High School- Athletic Department
- Kahuku High School -Boys Rugby

Turtle Bay Foundation Scholarship Awardees

Turtle Bay Foundation awarded oneyear college scholarships to the following KHIS students in recognition of their outstanding academics and service to Koʻolauloa and the North Shore.

Awardee:

- Keaunui Ah You
- Kathleen Aldrich
- Darcie Allred
- Kamaile Aluli
- Alexandra Aplaca
- Naitia Auelua
- Sophia Aveau
- Lehiwa Benson
- Darcie Burke
- Bre'en Cabiles-Pa'akaula
- Jade Cameron
- Dana delRey
- Phoebe Grace
- Peter Hyatt
- Kekaula Kaniho
- Ofa Kauvaka
- Jackson Lewis
- Kawika Macy



- Gideon Miller
- Sharae Niu
- Talei Niu
- TiffanyLee Rabaino
- Puaoolelagi Sao
- Regina Shumway
- Truman Spring
- Zamic Sullivan
- Janette T aufa
- Aolele Taulapapa
- Salamasina Teʻi
- Cheyenne Te'o
- Kanani Uluave
- Michael Vakapuna
- Joseph Waite Kahuku
- Isabella Walker
- Hunter Yamada
- Napuaihaokalani Galletes-Fernandez

Congratulations Red Raider Students!!

Announcement for Parents re: Leaving for appointments during the school day/Use of School Security to retrieve students

Aloha Parents/Guardians of KHIS Students,

We have a chronic problem on campus that we want you to be aware of and hopefully provide assistance with.

We currently are staffed with only three full-time security aides. Their responsibilities are to help ensure that students are safe on campus. Much of their daily assignments involve campus sweeps, specific areas of supervision, assisting administration when problems occur, and other duties as instructed.

This year, the security staff has spent many hours retrieving students from classes, because parents are calling throughout the day to have their child excused for various appointments. While we understand that appointments scheduled during the school day sometimes can't be helped, we'd like to improve the process for getting the students out of class and on their way.

May we ask for your assistance in abiding by the following:

Have student bring a written note signed and dated by parent to the office, EITHER BEFORE 7:45am OR AT RECESS on the day of the scheduled appointment. Please include details (i.e. drs appt in Kaneohe at 11:30). The office clerk will write out the off campus pass for the student. The clerk will give the pass to the student, who will then report to appropriate class.

The student will show the pass to the teacher, from whom he/she will be departing. Student will take all belongings and proceed directly to ride pick-up, bus stop, or whatever means he/she will be leaving campus. Student will show pass to security aide at the front of campus.

Thank you in advance for your assistance and cooperation in this matter. Hopefully this will alleviate the time spent retrieving students by security aides, and allow them to focus on their assigned duties and responsibilities, ensuring the safety of all KHIS students.

Sincerely,

Pat Macadangdang, VP