

AUGUST 1



NEWSLETTER

Established in 1946, we have proudly served our military and local community for 80 years



WELCOME TO HALE KEIKI SCHOOL!

As we begin a new school year at Hale Keiki School, we are excited to welcome our students and families back to campus. Our dedicated faculty and staff look forward to another year filled with joyful learning, meaningful connections, and opportunities for every child to grow, explore, and thrive. Mahalo for being part of our Hale Keiki 'ohana. We can't wait to learn and grow together this year!



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AUGUST CALENDAR

National Civility Month

July 31	Parent Orientation
August 3	First Day of School
August 3-5	Early Release Pick-up Schedule (Wednesday pick up time)
August 10	Q1 Pizza Friday orders due
August 14	Pizza Friday begins
August 19	No School in observance of Statehood Day
August 21	HI-5 Recycling drop-off & Panda Express Dine & Donate fundraiser code: 3862968
August 27	PTO Meeting at 5pm PTO Ice Cream Social 5:30-6:30pm

Save the Date!

October 24

HKS School Carnival

February 6

HKS Annual Auction



A Message from our Head of School



Aloha HKS Ohana,

Welcome to our 80th year of serving the best of the best! We are so excited for this year and all the magic it will bring! Our teachers and staff have been working hard behind the scenes, getting everything ready for the first day. We are all counting the hours till it's go time and our campus is once again filled with our favorite people!

We had several alumni visits over the summer, and it was a wonderful reminder that Hale Keiki is a forever in your heart kind of place. We are ohana and are so very honored that all of you are a part of our school family. We look forward to working with all of you, growing lifelong learners and leaders, and making memories to last a lifetime.

Eighty years is a powerful legacy, and we intend to make this the best one yet. Big goals, but we have the right ingredients to make that happen: the best staff and teachers in the world, the most wonderful families, and the greatest kids ever! These are not just words; we live it, know it, and are so very grateful. See you soon!

With Warm Aloha,



Monique



Welcome to an amazing school year!

The Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) is excited to greet our new and returning families. We work together to support our students and teachers, connect with our community, and enhance our future. We're looking forward to our year ahead and to continuing to build the magical legacy of HKS.

August Dates

3 - 7: Classroom Escorts

7:20-8:00-help us walk or direct our keiki to class (maps provided)

10: Q1 Pizza Friday Orders Due by 6pm

14: Q1 Pizza Friday begins

19: HI-5 RECYCLING & PANDA EXPRESS DINE & DONATE: **3862968**

27: Q1 PTO Meeting (5:00pm) PTO Ice Cream Social(5:30-6:30pm)

[Click here](#) or scan below to order Quarter 1 Pizza Friday



*Papa John's offers gluten-free pizza. If you are interested, please reach out to us directly to discuss ordering. Email us at pto@nhks.org

[Click here](#) or scan below to RSVP for our Ice Cream Social



Volunteer Opportunities

*click the links or scan below to view each



[General Volunteering](#)



[Classroom Escorts](#)



[Bulletin Board Volunteers](#)



[HI-5 Recycling Sorting](#)



[Pizza Friday Volunteers](#)



Aloha HKS Families,

We would like to make you aware of the Military Child Care in Your Neighborhood (MCCYN) benefit available to families with a parent or spouse serving in the Air Force, Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, or as a DoD Civilian.

Hale Keiki School is currently an approved MCCYN provider, and we encourage eligible families to apply. This valuable benefit can help reduce childcare and tuition-related expenses. We have seen families from all military ranks qualify, so we strongly recommend submitting an application if you believe your family may be eligible.

Army & Air Force

MCCYN is managed by Child Care Aware of America (CCAoA).

Preschool & Pre-Kindergarten

Available for year-round care for children ages 2–5

Can assist with or cover:

- Early Bird Care (EBC)
- Before School Care (BSC)
- After School Care (ASC)
- A portion of tuition
- Can cover up to \$150 in registration fees
- May be used for Summer Session

Navy, Marine Corps, & Coast Guard

Preschool & Pre-Kindergarten

Available for year-round care for children age 5 and younger

Can assist with or cover:

- Early Bird Care (EBC)
- Before School Care (BSC)
- After School Care (ASC)
- A portion of tuition
- Can cover up to \$150 in registration fees
- May be used for Summer Session

Kindergarten Through 6th Grade

Can assist with or cover:

- Early Bird Care (EBC)
- Before School Care (BSC)
- After School Care (ASC)
- Can cover up to \$150 in registration fees
- May be used for Summer Session

DoD Civilians

Families are encouraged to review MCCYN program requirements by visiting the MilitaryChildCare MCCYN Information Page

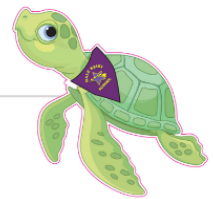
How the MCCYN Process Works

If your family is requesting MCCYN fee assistance, you will need to apply for the MCCYN program, not directly to Hale Keiki School. During the initial application process, families will not be able to select their preferred provider. The request is for MCCYN Fee Assistance, and any offer received will be for the MCCYN program rather than a specific childcare provider. Once an offer is made, families will have 48 hours to accept the offer. After accepting, families will have 10 days to upload and submit the required documents to complete registration. During registration, the family and their chosen provider will complete a Cost Worksheet. The family will upload the completed worksheet in the Provider Information section under the My MCCYN tab. This is the stage at which families select their preferred provider, such as **Hale Keiki School**. Please note that supporting documents cannot be uploaded until after an MCCYN Fee Assistance offer has been accepted and the registration process has begun.

For additional information about the MCCYN program, please visit the MilitaryChildCare MCCYN Information Page

If you have any questions about the MCCYN program or how it can be applied to your child's enrollment at Hale Keiki School, please feel free to reach out to Derrick Olson at derrick.olson@nhks.org

HALE KEIKI SCHOOL FACULTY AND STAFF



					
MONIQUE RADUZINER Head of School & Principal	JOLYNN KOMODA Vice Principal	DERRICK OLSON Chief Financial Officer	KRISTY CAMPOLLO Business Manager	AMANDA ALBA Curriculum & Online School Director	
					
SHERRY BUMATAI Student Support Specialist	ROSA LLANOS Preschool & Spanish Teacher	AMBER BAKER Prekindergarten Teacher	LAUREN WAY Preschool Teacher Assistant	MANAMI SANCHEZ Prekindergarten Teacher	NELSON SCHOENING Prekindergarten Teacher Assistant
					
KRISTINE QUACH Kindergarten Teacher	JOSE RODRIGUEZ Kindergarten Teacher	MARK MASAKI Kindergarten Teacher Assistant	AMY LABAS 1st Grade Teacher	ALEXANDRA CORONADO 2nd Grade Teacher	ALEXANDRA RICHARDSON 2nd Grade Teacher Assistant
					
JENNIFER JACKSON 3rd Grade Teacher	REBECCA RUCKER 4th Grade Teacher	SYLVIA ROMAN 5th and 6th Grade Teacher	CHRISTY SHACKLEFORD 5th and 6th Grade Teacher Assistant	ERIN DURANDO Creative Arts & STEM Teacher	DOMINIC CAVAZOS Cultural Connections and PE Teacher
					
CHRISTEN MITCHELL Library Media Specialist	D'ETTE TERADA After School Care Provider	CHRISTOPHER JOHNSON After School Care Provider	MARYANN MAJCHER After School Care Provider	FERGUS WHITNEY Groundskeeper	

At Hale Keiki School, our staff are the heart of our community. We are grateful for the passionate educators, caring support team, and dedicated professionals who work together each day to create a nurturing and inspiring environment for our students. As we begin a new school year, we look forward to building meaningful relationships, fostering curiosity, and helping every child grow with confidence, kindness, and aloha.

NEW SPECIAL CLASSES ADDED THIS YEAR!

Students in Preschool through 3rd Grade will enjoy a well-rounded enrichment program featuring Cultural Connections, Physical Education, Creative Arts, STEM, and Library.

Students in Grades 4th–6th will continue to build on these experiences through Cultural Connections, Physical Education, Creative Arts, STEM (including Robotics), Library, and Spanish.

These classes provide opportunities for students to explore new interests, develop valuable skills, and deepen their learning beyond the traditional classroom.



PLAYGROUND UPDATES

Big upgrades are here at Hale Keiki School! Our students are enjoying an exciting new Gaga Ball pit and a beautifully refreshed basketball court featuring our fun Hale Keiki colors and our favorite turtle! These vibrant new play spaces make recess even more active, creative, and enjoyable. We can't wait to see our keiki make memories, build friendships, and have a blast every day!

EXCITED TO OFFER AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT CLASSES

More information available
in our next newsletter so
keep an eye out for sign
ups soon!



Amplify.

NEW MATH CURRICULUM FOR K-6TH GRADE

Combining fun and education to help children grow.

This school year, we have updated our math curriculum and will be implementing Amplify Math for all students in Kindergarten through 6th grade! This engaging, research-based curriculum is designed to build strong mathematical thinking through hands-on learning, problem-solving, collaboration, and real-world connections.

Amplify Math helps students develop confidence, deepen their understanding of math concepts, and strengthen critical thinking skills while meeting each learner where they are. We are excited to partner with our families as we launch this new curriculum and can't wait to see the incredible growth and success our K-6 students will achieve throughout the year!