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Aloha Kakou,

In the wake of increasing numbers of confirmed Dengue fever cases on Hawai'i Island, we have been working with the Department of Health (DOH) and Hawai'i County Civil Defense to ensure we are doing all we can to minimize the risk of exposure to our students. There are currently no cases affecting our schools.

Over the next few weeks, DOH and Hawai'i County crews will begin a pro-active effort to treat schools in the Hilo-Waiakea Complex Area, as well as the rest of the Island. This will need to occur on weekends and we are working to schedule this process with DOH and Hawai'i County. Our DOE personnel will continue to inspect campuses and eliminate any environmental conditions that could attract mosquitoes.

We are committed to keeping all of our families, staff, and students informed as to our continuing efforts to address the Dengue situation. We will continue to do so as we work to keep our students healthy and happy.

Mahalo,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brad Bennett".

Brad Bennett  
Complex Area Superintendent  
Hilo-Waiakea Complex Area