



KA NUHOU NO NA MAKUA

NEWS FOR PARENTS

A Message from the Principal

Aloha Warrior Parents-

Welcome to School year 2010-2011! As you may have read or heard in the media, last year's Hawaii State Assessment scores for Waiakea High School increased significantly. We are very proud of the gains that we have made and hopefully look forward to another year of academic prosperity.

As in all other school years, this great Warrior staff remains dedicated towards promoting high levels of student achievement and creating the best learning environment for your child. It is our sole desire to see your student thrive in our Smaller Learning Communities and in essence, become lifelong learners. A positive relationship with your child and this great school will help us create a successful partnership which benefits the entire Waiakea High School community.

Parents, please make every effort to get involved in your child's education. Waiakea High is always looking for volunteers to assist with PTSA sponsored events, the School Community Council and many other activities. Feel free to call me if you need more information. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,
Kelcy Koga
Principal

Title I Status

Waiakea High School has qualified to receive Federal funding through Title I. We are classified a Targeted Assist school and can only use the funds for a portion of our students. We are trying to reach "Whole School" status for next year by having a greater percentage of students qualify for free and reduced lunch. In this way, we can use the Federal funds for programs and services from which all students can benefit. Qualifying for free and reduced lunch has many benefits. In addition to receiving a discounted lunch price every day, students can also receive discounted SAT, AP test, and Grad Night registration. They are also eligible to receive free tutoring after school through Supplemental Educational Services. Students may also be eligible to receive Targeted Assist support such as access to the Title I Resource Room (laptops, internet, calculators, tutoring, etc.), access to Skills Tutor (an online educational program), as well as additional academic and attendance monitoring and advising. We ask for your cooperation in helping us reach our "Whole School" goal so that all students can have access to services such as these. Applications are available at the main office. Although the applications are accepted year round, we ask that you submit applications by September 24 which is the deadline for Title I status. If you have questions or would like more information, please contact **Liane Martin**, Title I Coordinator, by calling 974-4822 or by email at liane_martin@notes.k12.hi.us.

Senior Project at Waiakea High School!!!



Why a Senior Project?

Beginning with the graduation class of 2010, students selecting to pursue a Board of Education Diploma must complete a senior project.

ALL Waiakea High School students are encouraged to complete a senior project as part of their Career Academy coursework.

Students may earn a one credit hour for completing a Senior Project, regardless of GPA.

This year, about 75% of the 2011 Pandas have chosen to complete a Senior Project!!

Benefits of Senior Project

- Gain an opportunity to experience the real-world life of work in your career pathway.
- Use your skills obtained from school classes in a project or internship.
- Network with professionals in your career path.
Possibly gain employment after internship is completed.

Senior Project Components – The 4 Ps

1. **Paper** – 2000 word persuasive/position paper in MLA format
2. **Project** – 50 hour internship/community service or hands-on project
3. **Portfolio** - documents the senior project journey
Presentation – oral presentation at Academy Awards night for your academy

Senior Project Major Checkpoints

Research Paper - September 3rd - A papers; 10th - B papers, 17th - C papers 24th – D Papers Due

Portfolio & Project hours – March (check website for exact dates)

Presentations – April 2nd and 3rd week (check website for exact dates)

Questions?

Check the Senior Project link <http://waiakeahigh.k12.hi.us/>, or

Contact our Senior Project Coordinator, **Nanette Bishop**, at nanette_bishop@notes.k12.hi.us or 974-4888 x234.

FRESHMEN HOUSE

Most freshmen will be part of a Ninth grade house team of teachers who share common expectation, rules and policies. Our house goals focus on the four **Rs** – **Relationships, Responsibility, Rigor and Relevance**. To achieve these goals, we have restructured the way we deliver the students education. We have designed a number of challenging projects to develop and sharpen their skills and to make the students responsible for their own success.

House students are taught by select teams of teachers. This allows us to keep better track of their progress and difficulties and to tailor our teaching to meet specific needs. House teachers meet weekly to discuss students progress and to plan curriculum to improve the quality of learning.

An important aspect of the house is the student's development as an active participant in their own education. The house teachers will be there to offer successful strategies and structures for all these decisions and responsibilities.

At the center of the house curriculum are a series of standards-based projects that students work on individually or in teams. Projects are designed to teach the skills that will serve them after high school.



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WAIAKEA HIGH SCHOOL

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Kelcy Koga
PRINCIPAL

August 27, 2010

Dear Parents,

As part of Waiakea High School's effort to raise our Hawaii State Assessment (HSA) math scores to meet the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) requirements, and Smaller Learning Community (SLC) objectives, we are using the "I CAN" Math Achievement program with all Algebra 1 and Geometry students.

The program requires that Algebra 1 be the entry level math course to allow students to meet NCLB Adequate Yearly Progress Math Benchmarks on the HSA and enter post-secondary options without the need for remediation. As a part of this program, students will experience:

- "I CAN" statements for each Hawaii Content and Performance Standard Benchmark
- Performance-Based Grading System – students' grades [A, B, C or I (in progress-not passing yet)] are based on the number of "I CAN" statements mastered for the course
- Multiple opportunities to relearn and retest to show skills mastered
- Student Support Services:
 - Before school, recess, lunch, and/or after school tutoring sessions to master "I CAN" statements.
 - Benchmark Café (testing center) to offer another opportunity to master "I CAN" Statements during lunch and afterschool on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.
 - Math Lab (Q103) to offer tutoring before school, recess, lunch, and afterschool.

In order for your child to be successful, cooperation between students, parents and teachers is essential. Students need to be responsible and accountable for their own learning, which means they may have to give up their personal time (recess, lunch, etc.). The teachers at Waiakea High School are committed to helping your child succeed and we need your support.

We look forward to a successful school year! Please feel free to contact your child's math teacher if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,
Kelcy Koga
Principal

I Can Math Tutoring Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School (7:30 – 8:05) K. Anderson-R206 G. Mau-E102	Before School (7:30 – 8:05) K. Anderson-R206 G. Mau-E102	Before School (7:30 – 8:05) K. Anderson-R206 G. Mau-E102	Before School (7:30 – 8:05) K. Anderson-R206 G. Mau-E102	Before School (7:30 – 8:05) K. Anderson-R206 G. Mau-E102
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Lunch Recess (12:24 – 12:59) R. Fujioka-E201 K. Anderson-R206 K. Kelly-B203 C. Chow-D103 E. Hagiwara-H103 K. Troyer-D202 J. Yamamoto-R201	Lunch Recess (12:24 – 12:59) R. Fujioka-E201 K. Anderson-R206 K. Kelly-B203 C. Chow-D103 E. Hagiwara-H103 K. Troyer-D202 J. Yamamoto-R201	Lunch Recess (11:50 – 12:25) R. Fujioka-E201 K. Anderson-R206 K. Kelly-B203 C. Chow-D103 E. Hagiwara-H103 K. Troyer-D202 J. Yamamoto-R201	Lunch Recess (12:24 – 12:59) R. Fujioka-E201 K. Anderson-R206 K. Kelly-B203 C. Chow-D103 E. Hagiwara-H103 K. Troyer-D202 J. Yamamoto-R201	Lunch Recess (12:24 – 12:59) R. Fujioka-E201 K. Anderson-R206 K. Kelly-B203 C. Chow-D103 E. Hagiwara-H103 K. Troyer-D202 J. Yamamoto-R201
After School (2:27 – 3:00) K. Anderson-R206			After School (2:27 – 3:00) K. Anderson-R206	

The following teachers are available also:

- L. Collins – Q104 by appointment
- J. Rosado – R203 by appointment

Welcome back to school from the Public & Human Services Academy!

The mission of the Public & Human Services Academy is to nurture its community of informed learners to work effectively and positively with individuals in order to protect and serve the public.

An introductory course serves as a prerequisite, providing an overview of all strands. Through integrated projects and community partnerships, students are offered a rigorous, career-related curriculum, as well as work experiences in their area of interest.

The PHS Academy offers a wide variety of courses where students who elect this academy will be able to explore four strands in human services:

1. Public Safety/Law
2. Education
3. Human Services
4. Culinary Arts/Hospitality

Students work in all courses to attain the essential knowledge and skill sets required for success in career options such as: Police/Corrections Officer, Lawyer, Criminal Investigator, Politician, Teacher, Counselor, Social Worker, Psychologist, Chef, Educational Assistants, and many others.

WHS Health and Fitness Academy

Students in the Health and Fitness Academy will learn and apply strategies in disease prevention through exercise, proper nutrition and a positive attitude; students will become participants and advocates of health and fitness for a lifetime.

Mission: To promote health and fitness opportunities in our community and instill healthy and fit lifestyle practices in our students.



If you see some 10th grade students walking around with BIG binders, those could be students in our first AVID class.

AVID which stands for Advancement Via Individual Determination: provides a structured college prep program through an elective class, targets students in the academic middle, places students in advanced classes who might not otherwise enroll, uses research-based instructional strategies that are also implemented school-wide, and has been adopted by nearly 4,000 schools in 45 states and 15 countries.

WHS began with one 10th grade class for the 2010-2011 school year who will continue AVID in their junior and senior years. Next school year we hope to add one or even two more classes at the 10th grade level.

Mrs. Zaida Igawa is our AVID elective teacher, **Mrs. Johnalyn Lyman-Mandaloniz** is the AVID counselor, and **Mrs. Nanette Bishop** is the AVID site coordinator.

COMPASS Test

The COMPASS is a computerized and adaptive test which determines a student's competency level in reading, writing and mathematics. It is used as a placement tool at all of the community colleges in the state as well as many schools on the mainland. Waiakea High School has developed a project with the Hawaii Community College Learning Center whereby students may be tested on the WHS campus as opposed to the usual procedure of making an appointment at the college and taking the test at the HawCC Center. An additional benefit of this agreement is that not only grade 12 students are eligible but the school is also able to test students in grade 11. The results of the test indicate the classes and programs the WHS students qualify for at college. Appropriate follow up counseling and guidance is also administered by WHS COMPASS counselors. For further information or to sign up to take the COMPASS Test students can stop by Q203 at any time during the school day from 8:00am to 1:00pm. Parents may also call the school at ext. 295. There is NO COST to the students to take the test. There IS a cost to re-test.

Running Start

Running Start at Hawai'i Community College (HawCC) is a program designed to provide academic opportunities for qualified high school juniors and seniors. Students are able to enroll at HawCC and earn both college and high school credits. Interested students must take the COMPASS placement tests in reading, writing and math and meet the pre-requisite levels for the course. The UH System Application Form and Running Start Enrollment Form must be completed with the student's grade level counselor. College tuition and fees apply. Interested students can begin testing in the spring semester of their sophomore year of high school and should see their counselor for more information.

"Extra...Extra..."

Got any extra fruit? The Culinary Arts Class would appreciate any over abundance of fruit or vegetables you may have...papaya, avocado, mango, tangerine, lemons, tomatoes, breadfruit... you got the idea. We will pick up. Just call Patty Gutzeit at 974-4888 ext 277 or email patty_gutzeit@notes.k12.hi.us. Mahalo!"



NJROTC

As we embark on another school year, we want to thank you for your continued support of the NJROTC program. We hope that everyone had a great summer and are ready for some really exciting events that we have in store. Welcome back to all of our returning cadets and a hearty "Welcome Aboard" to all of our new cadets.

Every year, there are requests for our outstanding color guard to perform at various community events, and this year started off with a major event conducted at Volcanoes National Park. Our NJROTC color guard with cadets **B. Cabalce**, **H. Rasse**, **B. Talaro**, and **M. Castaneda** were the honorary color guard for the launching of the US Postal service new Hawaii Rainforest postage stamp. There were several dignitaries at the event, including **Senator Inouye**, **Congresswoman Hirono**, **Mayor Kenoi** and representatives of both the National Parks and US Postal Service from Washington D.C. Other dates include Veteran's Day, Memorial Day and the Merrie Monarch Parade; all of these are ceremonies in which the color guard is on full display.

We are continuing to build our corps of cadets and are accepting cadets into all of our classes up to OCT 1; Periods 2, 4, 6, 7, and after school. Our first major trip tailored specifically for new cadets is the Basic Leadership training course at Kilauea Military camp 10-11 September. This event is open to ALL registered cadets who are in our classes. The entire cost including one night's lodging, meals and transportation are FREE for all cadets, thanks to our fundraising efforts over the past year. New cadets will go through an orientation run by upperclassmen who will be utilizing their leadership training. Our fundraising has begun for the year and there are many more scheduled. Successful completion of the course results in the award of the Basic Leadership training ribbon. New this year there will be a promotion test to the first rank in the cadet corps, seaman apprentice.

We owe a great deal of thanks to our Booster club members who make it possible for me to continue offering all of our field trips free of charge to all cadets. To date, NJROTC is the ONLY CLASS that offers every field trip free of charge to all cadets. Last year this included two separate trips/airfare to Honolulu harbor, spend a day touring the major Naval facilities, then fly back to Hilo by Hawaiian Air.

NJROTC is an excellent program that is focused on the cadets, the students. We strongly believe in instilling the core values of the Navy: Honor, Courage and Commitment, which will follow the cadets throughout their schooling and their aspirations. We guarantee that new cadets in this program will graduate from this program with self confidence and leadership skills. Again, "Welcome Back" upperclassmen and "Welcome Aboard" new cadets!

WAIAKEA HIGH SCHOOL
A.I.M. (Attendance Is Mandatory) Classes
1st SEMESTER 2010-2011

1st Quarter

Wednesday, September 22, 2010	2:00pm-6:20pm
Saturday, September 25, 2010	8:00am-12:20pm
Wednesday, September 29, 2010	2:00pm-6:20pm

2nd Quarter

Wednesday, December 1, 2010	2:00pm-6:20pm
Wednesday, December 8, 2010	2:00pm-6:20pm
Saturday, December 11, 2010	8:00am-12:20pm

A.I.M. Classes will be held in the school cafeteria. Students must have assigned work from their teacher and a valid WHS ID to enter A.I.M. Classes. All regular school rules apply.

WEDNESDAY

1 st Session	2:00 – 3:00pm	Period 1
	3:00 – 4:00pm	Period 2
	4:00 – 4:20pm	BREAK
2 nd Session	4:20 – 5:20pm	Period 3
	5:20 – 6:20pm	Period 4

SATURDAY

1 st Session	8:00 – 9:00am	Period 1
	9:00 – 10:00am	Period 2
	10:00 – 10:20am	BREAK
2 nd Session	10:20 – 11:20am	Period 3
	11:20 – 12:20am	Period 4

Reminder: Students do not have to wait until they have more than five absences to attend A.I.M. Classes.

Waiakea High School Arts and Communication Academy

The Waiakea High School **Arts and Communications Academy** is a community of students and teachers who study the human experience through the fine arts, communications/media, literature, world language, and history.

Through the Arts and Communications Academy, we seek to provide students with a rigorous interdisciplinary instruction program that ensures preparation for effective communications in academic and artistic areas of study. This program encourages:

- Individual creative expression
- Experiential learning
- Performance-based projects
- An understanding of historical and cultural heritage
- An awareness of the ways in which art and communication relate to the world of work

The goal of Waiakea High's Arts and Communications Academy is to challenge creative minds. We seek to produce graduates who are prepared to pursue a rigorous post-secondary course of study and/or to assume a productive role in their chosen fields.

Every year the Arts & Communications Academy Teachers lead students on a tour abroad.

- 2006 – Venice, Rome, Tuscany, Pisa
- 2007 – Southern France
- 2008 – Greece and Italy
- 2009 – Paris and France
- 2010 – Tokyo, Kyoto, Japan
- 2011 – Paris & South of France
- 2012 - London, Paris, Venice & Rome



The **Arts & Communications Academy** has courses that are hands on and portfolio driven; Drawing & Painting, Digital Photography, Ceramics, General Art, Band, Orchestra, Chorus, Directed Studies Studio, and Acting are all A&C courses.



FRIENDLY REMINDERS

From Waiakea High School Office:
** located on the second floor of A Building**

Office Hours:

7:00 am - 4:30 pm
 (School Days only)

7:30 am - 4:30 pm
 (Vacations, Intercessions, Breaks)



Early release of students:

Note signed by parent. Include telephone number for verification. Note should be presented to the office before school starts or during recess.

Deliveries:

Waiakea High School will not accept any deliveries of flowers, balloons, stuffed animals, food, etc. to students.

Messages to students:

Messages to students should be by parent/guardian and for emergency purposes only. Afterschool arrangements and reminders for appointments should be done prior to coming to school.

Students are **NOT** allowed to leave campus for lunch.

Please DO NOT call your child(ren) on their cell phones during classroom hours. If you need to get a message to your child please call the main office and a message can be taken and sent to your child. If you need to personally speak to your child, please do so during non-instructional time. Thank you.



<u>Dates to Remember</u>		October 11	NO SCHOOL Non-instructional Day
September 22	AIM Classes 2:00pm-6:20pm, WHS cafeteria	October 12-15	Homecoming Week
September 25	AIM Classes 8:00am-12:20pm, WHS cafeteria	October 15	Homecoming parade, begins 3:30pm at Kawamoto Swimming Pool
September 29	AIM Classes 2:00pm-6:20pm, WHS cafeteria		Homecoming football game vs. Ke- aau, 5pm JV, Varsity to follow, Wong Stadium
October 1	End of 1 st quarter	November 2	No School - Election Day
October 4-8	NO SCHOOL Fall Break	November 11	No School - Veterans' Day
		November 15	No School - P/C Day
		November 25-26	No School - Thanksgiving Holiday

This Brochure Is Available In . . .

- Cantonese Chuukese Hawaiian
 - Ilokano Japanese Korean
 - Mandarin Marshallese Samoan
 - Spanish Tagalog Tongan
 - Visayan Vietnamese
- For copies of this translated brochure, contact your school, Homeless Concerns Liaisons, or the State Homeless Concerns Office.

For more information or questions regarding the McKinney-Vento Act, please contact:

Homeless Concerns Liaisons

Hawaii (Hilo)	808-933-2920
Hawaii (Kona)	808-327-4991
Oahu	808-203-5521
Maui, Molokai, Lanai	808-984-8001
Kauai	808-241-3120

or via relay

State Homeless Concerns Office
808-203-5521

Toll Free Number
1-866-927-7095



*McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Improvements Act of 2001

If You Are . . .

- Living with friends or family because you cannot afford rent;
- Living on the beach, at a campground, in a park, or in a hotel;
- Living in a tent, car, bus, or other non-permanent structure;
- Living in an emergency or transitional shelter;
- Living in a domestic violence shelter;
- Living at any of the following:
 - Kauai: Kauai Economic Opportunity Shelter, Manaolana,
 - Hawaii: Ka Hale O Kawaihae, Office for Social Ministries,
 - Maui: Ka Hale A Ke Ola, Na Hale O Wainee,
 - Oahu: Family Promise, Institute for Human Services (IHS), Loliana, Mailliland, Next Step, Ohana Ola O Kahumana, Onemalu, Hope for a New Beginning, Waianae Civic Center, Weinberg Village Waimanalo, Lighthouse Shelter;
- Without a regular place to stay at night; or
- Awaiting foster care placement.

Then...

Your child may be eligible for certain educational rights or services under the McKinney-Vento Act.

Your Rights Under The McKinney-Vento Act*



Office of Curriculum, Instruction and Student Support • State of Hawaii • Department of Education
RS 10-1237 (Revision of RS 08-0818) • May 2010


Your Child's Rights Include . . .

- **Immediate Enrollment . . .**
 - The right to continue attendance in the school of origin, or the school of the attendance area where you are actually living; and
 - The right to initiate the dispute resolution process if you disagree with an enrollment decision.
- **Comparable Services . . .**
 - The right to comparable services that are available to other students; and
 - The right to transportation to and from your school of origin, if feasible.
- **Transportation Services Options Include . . .**
 - Public bus passes;
 - Mileage reimbursement;
 - Curb-to-curb services, if applicable; and/or
 - Modified bus routes.

Unsure whether your child qualifies or is eligible for services?

Please call the Department of Education Homeless Concerns Office at 808-203-5521 or (toll-free) 1-866-927-7095 for assistance.

All collected information will only be used for the purposes of providing educational services pursuant to the McKinney-Vento Act and is protected by federal and state laws.

 <p>State of Hawaii Department of Education HOMELESS CONCERNS OFFICE Telephone: 808-203-5521 Toll Free: 1-866-927-7095 FAX: 808-735-8229</p>	<p>QUESTIONNAIRE TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY</p> <p>McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act ("MVA")</p>	<p>Schools are required to keep a chronological file of completed Questionnaires for each school year.</p>
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STUDENT'S NAME: _____ **SCHOOL:** _____

Section 1. Action Requested: *(A copy of this form must be attached to each of the following forms.)*

- Enrollment
 Geographical Exception*
 Exit, Release or Transfer from School
 Free/Reduced Price Meals
 Transportation to/from School

Section 2. Does The Student / Parent / Guardian: *(Check the box that applies – you may be eligible for services)*

- Live with friends or family because you cannot afford rent;
- Live on the beach, at a campground, in a park, or in a hotel;
- Live in a tent, car, bus, or other non-permanent structure;
- Live in a domestic violence shelter;
- Live in an emergency or transitional shelter: *(Please circle or if your shelter is not listed, please write in the name.)*
 - Kaua'i:** Manaolana, Ka Uapo, _____;
 - Hawai'i:** Ka Hale O Kawaihae, Kihei Pua, Beyond Shelter, _____;
 - Maui:** Ho'olanani, Ka Hale A Ke Ola, Na Hale O Waivee, _____;
 - O'ahu:** Family Promise, Institute for Human Services (IHS), Loliana, Maililand, Next Step, Next Step at Puahala, Ohana Ola O Kahumana, Vancouver House, Onemalu, Onelauena (Hope for a New Beginning), Pai'olu Kaiaulu (Waianae Civic Center), Weinberg Village Waimanalo, Ulu Ke Kukui (Villages of Maili), Ka 'Ohu Hou O Manoa, Lighthouse Shelter, Kahikolu Ohana Hale O Wai'anae, _____;
- Have no regular place to stay at night;
- The student is awaiting foster care;
- The student is an unaccompanied youth;
- None of the above.

_____	_____	_____
Parent / Guardian Signature	Print Name	Date

If any box other than "None of the above" in Section 2 is checked, the student may be eligible for MVA services. School personnel are to assist the parent, guardian or unaccompanied youth with the completion of the McKinney-Vento Act (MVA) School Packet. Please contact the Homeless Concerns Liaison for your school for further assistance.

_____	_____	_____
DOE Representative's Signature**	Print Name	Date

**Unless the parent / guardian requests to have the student attend a school other than the student's school of origin or home school, geographical exceptions DO NOT apply to MVA eligible students.*

****Signature indicates that the school personnel has provided the parent, guardian or unaccompanied youth with MVA information and a copy of the completed Questionnaire.**

All collected information will only be used for the purposes of providing educational services pursuant to the McKinney-Vento Act and is protected by federal and state laws.