



# KA NUHOU NO NA MAKUA

## NEWS FOR PARENTS

A PARENT/COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

### A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Aloha Warrior Parents and Community-

It’s already March! Soon the third quarter will be a memory and the fourth quarter will be amongst us. I encourage all students to keep up the great work and not lose momentum as we enter the last part of the school year.

Summer school won’t be offered at WHS this year due to whole school renovations. We encourage all students who need credit recovery to enroll early at other locations that are offering summer school.

Have a wonderful Spring Break!

Sincerely,  
*Kelcy Koga*, Principal

### LAST WEEK OF SCHOOL SPECIAL FINALS SCHEDULE

Monday (5/20)		Tuesday (5/21)		Wednesday (5/22)		Thursday (5/23)		Friday (5/24)	
2	Finals 8:05 – 9:33	1	Finals 8:05 – 9:33	2	Make ups	3	Make ups	2	Special Program Bell Schedule  Make ups
4	Finals 9:58 – 11:21	3	Finals 9:58 – 11:21	4	Make ups	5	Finals 9:58 – 11:21	4	
6	Review 11:56 – 1:19	5	Review 11:56 – 1:19	6	Finals 11:56 – 1:19	7	Finals 11:56 – 1:19	6	

### CHECK AND CLEAR YOUR OBLIGATIONS

The WHS Library is the central clearing house for all overdue library books, textbooks, class dues, art and computer fees, club ticket sales, sports and military uniforms and any other items owed to the school. Seniors must clear their obligations in order to participate in commencement ceremonies. Also, if students have obligations, they may not be eligible to run for class office, court elections or attend the prom. Please return or pay for all materials at the library, so your student can be cleared.

# FRIENDLY REMINDERS

## BUS PAYMENTS

Students who ride the bus must make payments at the Main Office for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter to continue to have riding privileges. If payment is not made, students will not be allowed to ride the bus. If you have any questions, please call the school's office at 974-4888.



## Attendance Concerns

Does supplying a doctor's note for an absence automatically excuse it? Believe it or not, it doesn't. If you aren't familiar with what type of absences are considered excused, please refer to the attendance policy in the student handbook given to students at the beginning of the year, or on the school website. If you need further information or clarification, please feel free to contact Attendance Coordinator, **Lori Kiyonaga**, at 974-4888 ext. 233.

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.



## From Waiakea High School Office:

*\* located in 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. Phone calls by parent/guardian can also be made by directly contacting the main office, not the attendance office.

### 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

**WAIAKEA HIGH SCHOOL**  
**A.I.M. (Attendance Is Mandatory) Classes**  
**2nd SEMESTER 2012-2013**

<b>3rd Quarter</b>	
Wednesday, February 27, 2013	1:30pm – 5:50pm
Saturday, March 2, 2013	8:00am-12:20pm
Saturday, March 9, 2013	8:00am-12:20pm
<b>4th Quarter</b>	
Saturday, April 27, 2013	8:00am-12:20pm
Wednesday, May 1, 2013	1:30pm – 5:50pm
Wednesday, May 8, 2013	1:30pm – 5:50pm
Saturday, May 11, 2013	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 <sup>st</sup> Session	1:30 – 2:30pm	Period 1
	2:30 – 3:30pm	Period 2
	3:30 – 3:50pm	BREAK
2 <sup>nd</sup> Session	3:50 – 4:50pm	Period 3
	4:50 – 5:50pm	Period 4

SATURDAY

1 <sup>st</sup> Session	8:00 – 9:00am	Period 1
	9:00 – 10:00am	Period 2
	10:00 – 10:20am	BREAK
2 <sup>nd</sup> 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.*



# COMMENCEMENT 2013



**EDITH KANAKA'OLE STADIUM ~ SATURDAY, May 18, 2013**

**Ceremony begins at 6:00 pm ~ Doors open at 5:00 pm**

**General seating. Admission by ticket only (including babies)**

**No balloons, air horns or large signs/posters in stadium during ceremony.**

**Please bring flowers and/or lei in bags please, not boxes.**

**Theme: Tonight...We Begin**

**Song:** It's Time/We Are Young (Mash up by WHS c/o 2013)

**Attire:** Blue gown for boys

White gown for girls

Boys: White, collared shirt, black dress pants and black shoes, no slippers.

School dress code applies for attire under gowns.

Girls: White dress or white shirt/skirt and white shoes or sandals with straps in

back (maximum 2 inch heels), no slippers. School dress code applies for

attire under gowns.

Attachments to cap and gown are not allowed.

**Tickets:** Admission to the Commencement Ceremony is by ticket only. Enter through one of two general admission gates that will open at 5:00 pm. Gates close at 6:00 pm for the processional. The gates will again open for all ticket holders following the processional.

In accordance with the American with Disabilities Act we provide access to our activities without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex religion, or disability. If you require reasonable modifications due to disability, please call (808) 974-4888 ext. 353 by May 3, 2013.

**Commencement Cap and Gown Ordering Information:** The Balfour Company ~ Sales

Representative: Mr. Keenan Goo ~ 1-800-395-7677.

## **PARTICIPATION IN COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES IS A PRIVILEGE, NOT A RIGHT!!**

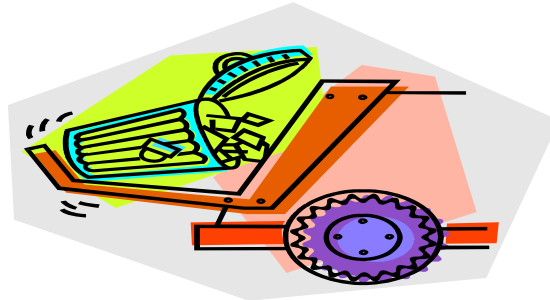
The Board of Education Policy 4540 states: "A high school may revoke a student's privilege of participating in the commencement exercises after determining that a chapter 8-19 offense was committed by a student during the fourth quarter of the school, as follows:

1. Class A or B offense
  - a. First offense during the fourth quarter: revocation of privilege.
2. Class C or D offense
  - a. First offense during the fourth quarter: warning that the privilege will be revoked if a second offense is committed.
  - b. Second offense during the fourth quarter: revocation of privilege.

### Other Requirements for Participation in Commencement Exercises:

1. Completion of graduation requirements.
2. Clearance of all financial obligations. Financial obligations include, but are not necessarily limited to:
  - a. Student fees/senior class dues
  - b. Lunch fees to cafeteria
  - c. Costs of assigned textbooks/classroom materials that are lost or damaged
  - d. Library books/materials that are lost or damaged
  - e. Restitution agreements between student/parent and school for vandalism or negligence.
3. Mandatory attendance at Commencement rehearsal on Saturday, May 18, 2013 at the Edith Kanaka'ole Stadium from 8:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Non-attendance at Saturday rehearsal will result in revocation of privilege.

**Garbage bids for school year 2013-2014 will be accepted from April 1 - 12, 2013 closing at 4:30pm. Bids are accepted ONLY in the schools front office from 7:30am until 4:30pm for the allotted dates. Schools administration will open bids on Monday April 15, 2013 and will notify highest bidder. Any questions you may call the front office at 974-4888.**



## **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 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.

## Dates to Remember

<b>March 15</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> quarter ends</b>
<b>March 16</b>	Jr. Country Fair, 9:00am-2:00pm, Cafeteria
<b>March 18-22</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> <i>Spring Break</i>
<b>March 25</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> Teacher DLWOP- <i>No Students</i>
<b>March 26</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> <i>Holiday-Kuhio Day</i>
<b>March 29</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> <i>Holiday- Good Friday</i>
<b>April 20</b>	Senior Prom, 5:00-10:00pm, Sodexho, doors open at 5:00pm and close at 6:00pm
<b>April 27</b>	AIM Class, 8:00am-12:20pm, cafeteria
<b>May 1</b>	AIM Class, 1:30pm- 5:50pm, cafeteria
<b>May 8</b>	AIM Class, 1:30pm- 5:50pm, cafeteria
<b>May 11</b>	AIM Class, 8:00am-12:20pm, cafeteria
<b>May 18</b>	Commencement, Edith Kanaka'ole Tennis Stadium, doors open at 5:00pm and close at 6:00pm
<b>May 24</b>	Last day of school for students

**Have a fun and safe**



**Spring Break**

## ACT School-wide Testing

Aloha!

In the coming weeks you will be receiving literature about the upcoming ACT testing at Waiakea High School on Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Information will be distributed to students during their period 1 classes.

A version of the ACT test will be administered to students in grades 9<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup>.

9<sup>th</sup> graders will take the ACT Explore. EXPLORE is designed to help ninth graders explore a broad range of options for their future. Additionally, EXPLORE includes a career exploration component that stimulates students' thinking about future plans and relates personal characteristics to career options. Assessing students before high school also helps them build rigorous high school coursework plans to get, or stay, on track for their educational and career goals.

10<sup>th</sup> graders will take the ACT Plan. The PLAN program helps 10th graders build a solid foundation for future academic and career success and provides information needed to address Hawaii's high-priority issues. It is a comprehensive guidance resource that helps students measure their current academic development, explore career/training options, and make plans for the remaining years of high school and post-graduation years.

11<sup>th</sup> graders will take the ACT+Writing. The ACT+Writing is a curriculum-based test that can provide helpful information for all students about their academic strengths in English, mathematics, reading, science, and writing and areas where they need to improve, whether they intend to go to college or enter the workplace after high school. Each student will also receive personalized career information that can be used to develop a comprehensive profile that tells colleges about his or her work in high school and plans for the future.

All testing will take place on Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. After receiving the testing literature, if you any questions please feel free to contact our Testing Coordinator: Mr. Joel Wagner-Wright. He can be reached at 974-4888 ext 309. You can also visit the official ACT website at:

[www.act.org](http://www.act.org).

# Waiakea High School

## ACT Testing Information

Test Date: Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2013

### Testing Schedule

9 <sup>th</sup> & 10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Students ACT Plan & Explore Tests		
8:00	8:05	Warning Bell: Report to Period 1 Class
8:05	8:10	Attendance
8:10	8:15	Transition to Testing Rooms
8:15	10:05	Testing
10:05	10:20	Break
10:20	11:30	Testing
11:30		Lunch &/Or Release

11 <sup>th</sup> Grade Students ACT + Writing Test		
8:00	8:05	Warning Bell: Report to Period 1 Class
8:05	8:10	Attendance
8:10	8:15	Transition to Testing Rooms
8:15	10:45	Testing
10:45	11:00	Break: Snack Provided
11:00	1:00	Testing
1:00		Lunch &/Or Release

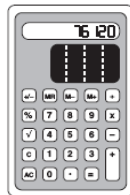
Students will need to bring:

- 2 #2 Pencils WITH erasers
- 1 permitted calculator (none will be provided by the school)
  - o Use of any four-function, scientific, or graphing calculator, is allowed unless it has features described in the Prohibited Calculators list (<http://www.actstudent.org/fac/calculator.html>)

#### Examples of Permitted Calculators

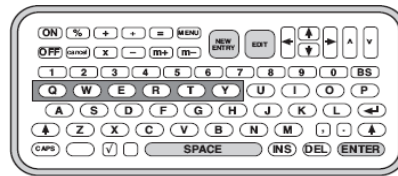


Scientific or graphing

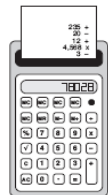


Four-function

#### Examples of Prohibited Calculators



QWERTY keyboard



Paper tape

- o Prohibited calculators include (but are not limited to):
  - Texas Instruments: All model numbers that begin with TI-89 or TI-92 and the TI-Nspire CAS
  - Hewlett-Packard: HP 48GII and all model numbers that begin with HP 40G, HP 49G, or HP 50G
  - Casio: Algebra fx 2.0, ClassPad 300 and ClassPad 330, and all model numbers that begin with CFX-9970G
  - Handheld, tablet (iPad/iPod), or laptop computers, including PDAs & Cell phones

- Bottle Water:** for refreshment during break time



\*\*\*Special Note: Cell Phones are STRICKTLY prohibited; they will be *confiscated* on sight/sound\*\*\*

## **AP Testing Fee Collection:**

**When: Monday, March 04 till Tuesday, March 12 (no extensions)**

**Where: Finance Office**

**Time: After school till 3:15 p.m.**

**Cost: \$89.00 per exam**

**Checks should be made payable to Waiakea High School**

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## **AP Testing will take place on the following dates:**

**Regular Testing: Monday, May 06, 2013 - Friday, May 17, 2013**

- AP Chemistry- Monday, 05/06
- AP Environmental Science- Monday, 05/06
- AP Calculus AB- Wednesday, 05/08
- AP English Lit.- Thursday, 05/09
- AP English Lang.- Friday, 05/10
- AP Statistics- Friday, 05/10
- AP Biology= Monday, 05/13
- AP U.S. History- Wednesday, 05/15
- AP World History- Thursday, 05/16

**Late Testing: Wednesday, May 22, 2013 - Friday, May 24, 2013**

Should you have any questions, please see Mrs. Lyman-Mandaloniz at A-203.

### **Waiakea High School SkillsUSA**

Six students from Waiakea High School's SkillsUSA competed on Oahu in the Hawaii State CTSO Conference on February 20 – 21, 2013. The competitions took place at the Hawaii Convention Center, Woodcraft, and Leeward Community College on February 20 and the awards luncheon was held the next day on February 21. Waiakea's SkillsUSA students competed in various technical and leadership competitions with other high school students from across the state.

Congratulations to the following students that competed in the following SkillsUSA contests: **Tayler Kaniho** – Job Skills Demonstration, **Kain Yogi** and **Williamson (Akil) Marshall** – VEX Robotics, **Dayton Tiogangco** – Automotive Service Technology, **Dexter Acasio** – Third Place in Cabinet Making, and **Keanu Giraud** – First Place in Automotive Service Technology. **Dexter** received a gift set from Woodcraft. **Keanu** received a \$10,000 scholarship from UTI and a socket set from Snap On Tools. **Keanu** also qualifies to represent Hawaii and compete in the Automotive Service Technology Contest at the National SkillsUSA Conference and Competitions in Kansas City, Missouri in June.



From left to right: Mr. Kobayashi, Mr. Halsted, Dayton Tiogangco, Tayler Kaniho, Kain Yogi, Mr. Murphy, Akil Marshall, Keanu Giraud, Dexter Acasio



Keanu Giraud and Dexter Acasio

## **Message from the Registrar's Office -**

**Final Year-End Transcript** for Seniors: SENIORS requiring a final transcript to the college/university of choice must submit a transcript request form with the mailing address to the Registrar's Office (A202) by May 17. Cost is \$1.

**Report Card Pick-Up:** End of the year report cards will be available for pick-up on Thursday, June 13. Students requesting a report card to be mailed home must submit a self-addressed, postage-paid envelope to the Registrar's office. The student's name must be printed on the upper left-hand corner of the envelope.

**Transferring Students:** A student **not** returning to Waiākea High School next school year must have a parent/legal guardian come in to sign a release form to authorize the transfer of student records to the forwarding school. A Release Packet will be available for pick-up after June 13, 2013.

**Schedule Pick-Up for 2013-14 school year:** Course schedules will be available for pick-up on Monday, July 29 from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm. **Payment for yearbook** (\$50), and **student fees** (\$25) will be collected at this time. Separate payments by cash or check are requested, payable to Waiākea High School. **ID pictures** for all NEW incoming students and **Bus payments** will be available at the main office. Campus tour guides and PTSA sign-ups will also be available.

**Class Schedule Changes for 2013-14:** Schedule changes due to summer school enrollment and scheduling errors are ongoing at the Registrar's office and will continue until 4:00 pm, Friday, July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Thereafter, schedule changes will be through the student's respective academy counselor. Students with a confirmation or payment receipt for summer school should process a schedule change as soon as possible.

**New Incoming Students:** Students transferring from schools outside of the Waiākea complex (public or private), must have a Release Packet from the previous school which includes a transcript, current report card and health record. A birth certificate or passport and two proofs of residency verification (i.e. most recent utility bills, escrow or tenant agreement, etc.) are also required. If applicable, an approved GE, legal guardianship document, and/or a notarized Power of Attorney may be required. When all documents are available, please call the Registrar's office at **974-4888 ext 241**, to schedule an appointment.

**Waiākea High School  
Title I Resource Room  
Q-104**

The Title I Resource Room is available to all students!

- Need help preparing for a test?
- Can't understand your homework?
- Want guidance on a project?
- Need to do research?
- Need a current events article for an assignment?
- Want to use a word processor?
- Need to print a report/paper to turn in today?

<b>Monday</b>	7:45 – 2:30
<b>Tuesday</b>	7:45 – 3:30
<b>Wednesday</b>	7:45 – 3:30
<b>Thursday</b>	7:45 – 3:30
<b>Friday</b>	7:45 – 2:30

**Come to the Title I Resource Room – We can help you with  
all of this and more!**

