

Freshmen Academy

All freshmen will be part of a Freshmen Academy team of teachers who share common expectations, rules, and policies. Our Academy goals focus on the four Rs--Relationships, Responsibility, Rigor, and Relevance. To achieve these goals, we have restructured the way we deliver instruction.

Freshmen Academy students are taught by select teams of teachers. This allows us to keep better track of student progress and difficulties and to tailor our teaching efforts to meet specific student needs. House teachers meet weekly to discuss student progress and to plan a curriculum to improve the quality of student learning. This year's (2011-2012) Freshmen Academy teachers and support personnel are:

- Adrel Vicente (267)
- Layne Takahashi (307)
- Lance Tominaga (301)
- Kari Sato (293)
- Heather Fomenko (244)
- Adam Escobar (265)
- Kelly Uyeda (258)
- Dana Maeda (291)
- Jessica Alipio (251)
- Judy Kruse (308)
- Colleen Ray (294)
- Jo Ka'upu (264)
- Theresa De Mello (273)
- Colleen Otani (297)
- Jill Yamamoto (361)
- Lisa Morikawa (257)
- Heather Dansdill (227)
- Nanette Bishop (234).

Each member of the Academy teams can be contacted by email in the same way: First Name_Last Name@notes.k12.hi.us or by calling Waiakea High School at 974-4888 and the extension noted after each name.

Toward the end of the school year, the Academy has a team celebration for all students who have shown improvement in the areas of grades, attendance, and behavior.



