Aloha Kona Pacific Families!

Hooray! SBAC testing is over! Students did so well these past two weeks taking the state test. Please look for scores to be mailed home over the summer. Thank you to all of the families who supported their students during testing by bringing nutritious breakfast polluck items. Our students were happy to attend on testing days due to the daily feasts.

This week, in honor of Earth Day, April 22nd, our school celebrated a week of Earth themed activities. To celebrate the beauty of the earth through the plants we have around us, given by the earth and tended by us, students participated in creating a beautiful Mandala in the piko on Monday. Students dressed as their favorite earth inhabitant on Tuesday. Wednesday was upcycle art day, Thursday was a school wide day of gardening, and today we had a no trash challenge.

Our middle school students have been engaging in high interest choice electives this school year. This quarter, one of these electives is School Newspaper. Attached is the **2nd** student newsletter written by the students in 6th through 8th grade!

May Day Celebration - May 1st:

Mark your calendars for our annual May Day celebration on May 1st! Our students will be participating in traditional May Day festivities, including making beautiful Lei's and performing for the entire school community. To make this event extra special, we kindly ask families to **bring donations of flowers.** Let's come together to celebrate the beauty.

Class Plays

Grades 1-8 are all practicing for their class plays. These will take place in May. Your teachers should be sending out a Remind of the day and times. Parents and families are all welcome!

Re-enrollment for the 2024-2025 school year are now open. Please reserve your spot . **We ask that all families complete this** <u>re-enrollment survey</u> to ensure that we are well prepared for the next school year. Thank you!

Open enrollment for new preschool and Kindergarten through 8th grade students is now open! Any families interested in enrolling their PK-8th grade students at Kona Pacific program can apply at <u>kppcs.org/enrollment</u>.

Attendance

As we approach the end of the school year, we want to remind all families of the importance of regular attendance. Attending school with limited absences improves students' academic and social outcomes. Exciting things happen on campus daily and we want all students to be able to participate.

School Uniforms

Please be sure to send your student(s) to school each day in a UNIFORM SHIRT. This is part of our school policy and we want to ensure that we continue to promote school spirit and a sense of belonging. It also shows the community that we are proud of being a member of Kona Pacific Public Charter School.

Upcoming Events:

- Monday, April 29th @ 3:30 KPPCS Governing Board Meeting
- Tuesday, April 30th PK and K May Day Celebration
- Wednesday, May 1st- May Day Celebration 1st through 8th grade
- Thursday May 2nd, 8th grade field trip Sustainability Summit
- Friday, May 3rd and Monday, May 6th PreKindergarten Parent Teacher Conferences NO SCHOOL for PreK ONLY
- May 6th-May 10th Staff Appreciation Week
- May 6th- May 10th Combo Class Bike Week
- Wednesday May 8th- 2nd grade field trip -Mahealani Ranch
- Wednesday May 8th- Preschool Fleld Trip Library
- Sunday, May 19th Eighth Grade Graduation @ 9:00am
- May 20th-24th Eighth Grade Trip to Kauai
- Monday, May 20th @ 3:30 KPPCS Governing Board Meeting
- Monday, May 27th NO SCHOOL Memorial Day
- Thursday, May 30th Field Day/Last Day of School

Mission Alignment

We thank all of our families who support us and enable us to provide a high-quality education for all of our students. Kona Pacific's mission is to educate the whole child. We prioritize a high level of academic excellence, social emotional well-being, and enthusiasm for learning through an academic standards-based curriculum infused with Waldorf-inspired practices, Hawaiian culture and 'Āina based education through our sustainable agriculture program. Linked here are our mission aligned practices. We are always looking for ways to strengthen all of our school tenets through continuous improvement. Please reach out to amberh@kppcs.org with any questions.

Kona Pacific has a Facebook account where we share important updates, upcoming events, and daily happenings on campus. If you are on social media, please follow us here <u>Facebook</u> Order your 2023-2024 School Yearbook from Jostens Now <u>HERE</u> There are only 26 copies left!







