



Kuhio Elementary School Monthly News



VISION

Together, in partnership with our faculty, staff, students, families, community...

Kuhio School's Vision is to create a culture that embraces the belief that everyone is a learner, teacher and a leader because they possess the knowledge, skills and behaviors that will enable them to...

COLLABORATE to support and help, ADAPT to changes, PERSEVERE despite difficulties and SUCCEED in all their efforts.

MISSION

Kuhio School's Mission is to prepare our students for 21st century careers and citizenship by engaging all learners in quality teaching and learning experiences that are rigorous, challenging, meaningful, diverse and exciting in a safe and supportive environment.

Principal's Message for August 2019

Aloha **Kakou**, Kuhio Ohana,

E Komo mai to **School Year 2019-2020!** We began the year with our Open House and I thank you, parents, for attending. Your attendance is evidence to the faculty, staff and administration that you care about your child(ren)'s educational success. Educating children will take all of us. Together we are stronger and better and I'm hopeful that we can make a tremendous difference in both academics and behavior in our children.

Kuhio School's motto for the year is **SYNERGY**, Moving forward **TOGETHER!** Let's work together to reach our goals. This year we will focus on two areas: **Reading and Attendance**. We want all children to be able to read at grade level and to each maintain a 98% attendance for the school year.

Therefore, how can we work together to reach this goal? Parents, you can help by promising to do the following:

- Read to your child(ren) every day for 10 minutes.
- Have conversations about school with your child every day.

- Keep your child(ren) healthy.
- Get enough sleep (7-8 hours).
- Eat nutritious meals.
- Get your child(ren) to school on time every day!

I humbly ask for your continued support and invite you to participate in the education of your child(ren). Please feel free to stop by the office or call if you'd like to "talk story." about your child's education.

This year marks my fifth year as Principal of Kuhio Elementary and I am very proud to lead the school. I take pride in recognizing our students as the most dedicated learners, kind and thoughtful young children, who work hard to become learners, teachers and leaders of our future! They motivate me to do my best and truly bring meaning to my life.

Best wishes to a productive and exciting new school year!
Mahalo Nui Loa! A hui hou.

Sincerely,
Lynn M. Kobayashi
Principal

*Coming **TOGETHER** is a beginning; Keeping **TOGETHER** is progress; Working **TOGETHER** is success.*

Announcements & Important Dates

Monday, September 2, 2019 - Labor Day Holiday: NO SCHOOL

Looking Ahead:

Fall Break - October 7 -11, 2019

Parent Teacher Conferences - November 4-8, 2019. Reminder: School Ends for all students at 12:30 PM. Don't forget to make arrangements for childcare for your students.



Thank you Straub Medical Center for the generous donations of school supplies. Over 20 boxes were collected by medical center employees!

Congratulations to Ms. Clark's kindergarteners for earning the Attendance Award for the second week of school. Way to go!

Thank you to our JPOs who help to keep our campus safe.



Message from VP Toyama

Goals propel you forward. Top athletes, successful business people, and high achievers in various fields all set goals. Goals keep you focused and organized and help you be inspired to keep moving forward. Use your planner to set small goals. Track your progress and share your accomplishments with others. Here are two big goals for the year you may want to keep in mind:

- 1) Come to school on time every day. Strive for perfect attendance. It's okay to stay at home when you're sick. **Do not exceed 15 absences!**
- 2) Read daily and practice your math facts to help you meet your grade level fluency goals.

Kuhio Counseling Program

The school counseling program is geared towards meeting the social, emotional, and academic needs of all students. Services include guidance lessons which focus on the word of the month such as safety, appreciating differences, and respect. Individual counseling is offered for students with a specific need. Small group counseling is available for students that share concerns similar to others (i.e. self-esteem, anger management, etc.) Small groups provide students the opportunity to share experiences, feel supported, and learn from students dealing with similar issues. Counseling referrals can be made by teachers, parents/guardians, or students.

This year we are fortunate to have Ms. Lee back as our full-time counselor as well as Mr. Chu as our part-time counselor. Ms. Lee will be providing supplemental guidance lessons to all classrooms in addition to individual and group counseling. Mr. Chu provides additional counseling support, recess and lunch supervision and is currently in the process of training peer mediators. Peer Mediation is a program that trains students to problem solve and assist each other in the resolution of minor playground disputes. Feel free to call the school if your child needs counseling support.

| Grade | Reading | Math |
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| K | 50 sight words | Writing to 30 Work towards writing to 100 and sums to 5 |
| 1 | 82 wpm | Sums to 5; doubles Work towards sums to 10 |
| 2 | 117 wpm | Sums to 20 Work towards multiplying by 0, 1, 2, 5, and 10 |
| 3 | 137 wpm | Single-digit multiplication |
| 4 | 152 wpm | Multiplication to 12x12 |
| 5 | 168 wpm | Multiplication to 12x12 |