



STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
MANOA SCHOOL
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August 14, 2020

Dear Mānoa School Ohana:

The current surge of coronavirus cases on Oahu, along with positive cases now confirmed in our public schools has forced all of us to re-examine our preparation plans for distance learning. While there are no confirmed cases amongst our staff, I feel it is in the best interest for our school community to modify the schedule for the week of August 17 through 20.

Parents are asked to come to school with your child on their assigned date next week at 8 am. This date should have been communicated to you via an email from your classroom teacher. Please report on your scheduled date to the designated grade level area - Cafeteria Parking Lot for Grades K, 3 and 4 and Office Parking Lot for Grades 1, 2 and 5. We will have a material packet pickup where your child can meet his or her teacher from your vehicle. Pickup will be from 8 am till 9 am.

We ask that you then return home where your child's teacher will hold a virtual training with your child starting from 10 am. The login information will come from the classroom teacher in an email. To help us assess how the communication is occurring with families, please respond back to your classroom teacher's email message.

For our families who selected 100% distance learning with Acellus, we will have a parent orientation on Wednesday, August 19, 2020 from 5:00 – 6:00 pm. This meeting will be very important for our Acellus families so that they understand login procedures and coursework expectations. For our upper grade students who are using Acellus, we will have virtual trainings on Thursday, August 20, 2020. Grade 3's training will be at 12:30 pm, Grade 4's training will be at 1:30 pm, and Grade 5's training will be at 2:30 pm. Video conference invitation links will be sent in a separate email.

These decisions made were not easy to make, but is done with everyone's health and safety in mind. We look forward to getting this school year started together. Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Sincerely,

Ryan Kusuda
Principal