



STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
MANOA SCHOOL
3155 MANOA ROAD
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96822

May 12, 2020

Dear Mānoa School Ohana:

On behalf of the faculty and staff at Mānoa School, I want to thank each and every one of you for your continued cooperation, patience and flexibility during this global pandemic. Teachers have been organizing and packing up student belongings for pickup starting May 21st. Parents and guardians are asked to come on their designated pickup day between the hours of 9 am till 12 pm located in the cafeteria back parking lot. The pickup schedule is listed below:

Grades PK and K	Thursday, May 21
Grade 1	Friday, May 22
Grades 2 and 5	Tuesday, May 26
Grade 3	Thursday, May 28
Grade 4	Friday, May 29

As the 2019-2020 school year comes to a close, we need to be cognizant that the 2020-2021 school year is fast approaching, and that school, when it starts back up again, will continue to look very different from our normal expectations. We need to be prepared for the possibility that distance learning could factor in as one of the possible scenarios to open up the school year. To that end, I'm asking all families to please complete a short distance learning and technology survey located at <https://forms.gle/o2bmb9bs2RAqjMNF7>. Your feedback is greatly appreciated and will help with our planning for next school year. Please complete this survey by Friday, May 15, 2020.

To support A+ Program families in financial need during the COVID-19 pandemic, the Hawaii Department of Education is offering a prorated refund for March 2020. Please print out, complete, and then either scan and email the attached form to Mānoa A+ Director Troy Doike at troy.doike@manoaschool.com or mail the completed form to the school located at 3155 Mānoa Road, Honolulu, HI 96822. The A+ Refund Request Form is due by May 28, 2020. Please keep in mind that refunds may take from 3 to 4 months depending on the amount received and processing time. Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. Jenna Pak, A+ Program Specialist at 808-305-0692 or via email at jenna.pak@k12.hi.us.

Finally, while we can all agree that distance learning will never replace face-to-face interaction, I am extremely proud of the school community for finding creative and interesting ways to stay engaged. If you haven't done so already, I encourage everyone to visit the school website at www.manoaschool.com. In particular, check out the following links:

Counselors' Corner <http://manoacounselorscorner.weebly.com/>

Here you'll find links to our recently completed virtual spirit week, book of the week recommendations, and family fun activities.

Library Corner with Dr. Fujino <https://www.manoaschool.com/library-corner.html>

Check out our wonderful collection of library resources.

Speech Festival <https://www.manoaschool.com/gallery-virtual-speech-festival-2020.html>

Check out these performances by three awesome Mānoa School students.

Mānoa School Got Talent! <http://manoaschoolmusic.weebly.com/manoa-schools-got-talent>

Check out these creative and diverse submissions by our keiki!

Music with Mr. Ho <http://manoaschoolmusic.weebly.com/>

STEM with Ms. Wichman <http://manoaschoolstem.weebly.com/>

PE with Mr. Uehara <https://www.manoaschool.com/pe.html>

Sincerely,

Ryan Kusuda
Principal