



STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
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Dear Mānoa School Ohana:

We are one week out from welcoming back our kindergarden, first and second grade keiki to campus. If you have a child scheduled to return starting October 26, please be on the lookout for an email from your child's classroom teacher with information on the blended rotation group. If your child is assigned to group A, he or she will come to school on Mondays and Thursdays. If your child is assigned to group B, he or she will come to school on Tuesdays and Fridays. Please use the attached calendar as a reference for this blended rotation schedule.

Mark your calendar for our virtual town hall meeting taking place this Thursday, October 22nd at 5:30 pm. The website link is <https://hidoe.webex.com/hidoe/onstage/g.php?MTID=eef03be5a2ef7bf5811b401da56718cb3>. It is critically important that families with children returning to our campus next week log in and listen to the reopening information. If you are unable to attend, there will be a recording posted to the school website at www.manoaschool.com.

While it is our intention to open up our A+ afterschool program, Mānoa School is not able to offer up this service at this time. Please make arrangements to have your child picked up promptly at 2:15 pm on your scheduled blended rotation day. Once our A+ program is fully staffed and trained, we will set a start date and contact the K-2 families who were selected via the lottery this past summer.

Mānoa Valley Church and the Mānoa Japanese Language School are offering afterschool care. We are working closely with both organizations to make sure the child hand-off and transition to their facilities adhere to our social distancing procedures.

There are three drop-off and pick-up spots starting at 7:45 am. Kindergarten will utilize the cafeteria lot, first grade will use the lower Mānoa District Park parking lot, and second grade will use the front office roundabout drop zone area. Each area, along with our walkways, will be staffed with school personnel to enforce our safety procedures. Please do not drop your child off before the 7:45 am start time. You can use the upper Mānoa District Park parking lot and the lot across from the Mānoa Community Garden as a waiting area. Please understand that limiting the amount of individuals on our campus is one of the chief goals of moving to a blended rotation schedule. With that in mind, only kindergarden parents will be allowed to escort their child to the classroom. First and second grade children should be able to walk themselves to their homeroom.

Afternoon pick-up at the designated pick-up spots will start at 2:15 pm. Please have the placard with your child's name that was distributed at the initial packet pickup clearly visible in your car. School personnel will be out in the three zones to keep the pick-up process as orderly as possible.

Every family's cooperation with this transition back to in-person instruction is vitally important. We hope a successful phased reopening during the second quarter will allow for our upper grade level children to return to campus starting in January.

Sincerely,

Ryan Kusuda
Principal