

Kailua Intermediate School

Updated for Friday, December 12, 2025

Surf Report

Coming Up:

- Dec. 19: PTSA Staff Breakfast
- Dec. 19: End of 2nd Quarter
- Dec. 22 - Jan. 7: Winter Break
- Jan. 7: Ho'ouana Pono Design Sprint
- Jan. 8: 4pm SCC, 5pm PTSA
- Jan 13: Special Guest Speaker for parents

early day swap!

Wednesday 12/17
2:10pm dismissal

Friday 12/19
1:25pm dismissal

**After winter break,
students return to school Jan. 8th**



WINTER SPIRIT WEEK

DEC. 15-19

MUST FOLLOW DRESS CODE AND MUST WEAR UNIFORM
IF YOU ARE NOT PARTICIPATING IN THE DRESS UP THEME

MONDAY : TEAM COLORS

TUESDAY: HOLIDAY SWEATER

WEDNESDAY: WINTER/HOLIDAY COLORS

THURSDAY: SANTA VS ELVES/RED OR GREEN

FRIDAY: PAJAMAS AND ANYTHING BUT A BACKPACK



8TH GRADE FAMILIES: LET'S GET READY FOR 9TH GRADE!

8TH GRADERS



HIGH SCHOOL REGISTRATION PROCESS

NOV 18
DONE

Permission slips due to advisory teacher.

DEC 2
DONE

8am-12:30pm
8th graders visit Kailua or Kalaheo High School
Tour campus and classes
Enjoy a variety of activities and (free) lunch

DEC 7
DONE

Registration forms given to students to take home

DEC 8
DONE

High School Registration Info Night

DEC 19
DONE

Registration cards due to KIS

QUESTIONS? Contact KIS Registrar Rachel Compton

**Coalition for a Tobacco-Free Hawai'i Youth Council
needs your help:**

Complete: Sign-On Letter (10 seconds)

Submit: Video Testimony (30 seconds)

Coalition for a Tobacco-Free Hawai'i

Dedicated to reducing tobacco use through education, policy and advocacy since 1996.



**EDEN X KAILUA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
PRE-ORDER**

Medium Tote \$20
17" x 21.5" - Ripstop Nylon

Designed by Eden in Love for Kailua Intermediate School

Holidays are right around the corner. We have a great gift or stocking stuffer.

Purchase a tote to provide a useful gift while supporting the school's SURF field trips and other school-wide activities.

Bags can be purchased from the Counseling Office from December 1st-December 16th. Cash only please.



WE'RE HIRING!



OPEN POSITION:

- OFFICE ASSISTANT
- EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANT
- SUBSTITUTE TEACHER
- PART TIME TEACHER - GARDEN ASSISTANT

APPLY NOW

CONTACT FRONT OFFICE

808-307-1400



Connect your child or teen to virtual mental health support

With Hazel Health, your child can get the mental health support they need, at school or at home, **at no cost to you.**

Virtual sessions with licensed therapists

- 1 Consent to services**
Give permission for your child to see a Hazel therapist by signing up at my.hazel.co/hawaiipublicschools
- 2 Create an account**
After you complete the consent form, create an account.
- 3 Refer your child to therapy by calling Hazel Health**
Call Hazel at 808-784-7363 to refer your child to therapy.
- 4 Intake session**
Hazel matches your child with a therapist and schedules an appointment.
- 5 Weekly therapy sessions**
Over video, the therapist helps your child cope with what they're feeling.
- 6 Therapy completion**
Your child has achieved their therapy goals and is discharged from the therapy program.
- 7 Care coordination**
If needed, Hazel helps connect your family with long-term mental health services in your community.

During weekly therapy sessions, Hazel Health therapists help students understand and cope with what they're feeling

- Anxiety
- Depression
- Grief/loss
- Self-esteem
- Change
- Academic stress
- Bullying
- and more

Services are available at school during school hours, and at home Monday to Friday between 7am-7pm local time

Scan to learn more



Call 808-784-7363 to learn more and sign up

In order to better help you, please consent for services before you call at my.hazel.co/hawaiipublicschools



**Next General Meeting
Thursday, Jan. 8th
KIS Library
5pm**

All are welcome!



FREE Family Speaker
January 13th, 2026
Kailua Intermediate School Cafeteria
Pizza at 5pm
Speaker 5:15-6:45pm

Consider the impact of common parenting styles:
Permissive, Authoritarian, and Authoritative.
Gain strategies that balance those styles to support accountability.
Open to all families in Kailua-Kalāheo Complex Area schools.

VEERING LEFT **SWERVING RIGHT**

RESPONSE-ABILITY
LEADERSHIP IN CHALLENGING MOMENTS
CLEAR EXPECTATIONS
BENEFITS FOR CHANGING BEHAVIOR
CONSISTENCY
EMOTIONAL CONTROL

Guest Speaker:
Larry Thompson, M.Ed.

First 75 families to arrive get a book!

RSVP Link
<https://tinyurl.com/LTJan13>

Parenting children well is a challenge. Roadmap to Responsibility: The Power of Give `em Five to Transform Families will help adults identify their areas of strength as well as areas where they may struggle or desire to grow. Responsibility-Centered Parenting (RCP) provides a clear roadmap and proven strategies for helping parents grow in confidence, stay motivated, and keep children on the Road to Responsibility as they grow to become mature, responsible adults. Discover the three different styles that parents tend to use: Permissive, Authoritarian and Authoritative.

SEEKING SCIENCE FAIR JUDGES

Are you a STEM professional?

Our students need you to be a science fair judge on January 9th.

If interested, contact Ms. Gagesch



Q1 Feedback: this is what YOU said

Number responses: 14

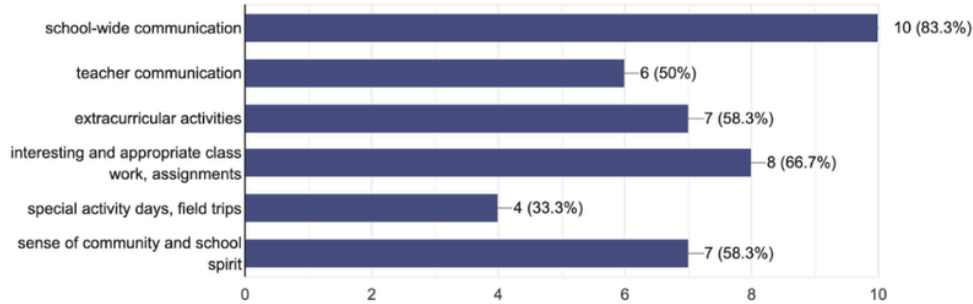
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8th Gr.: 8



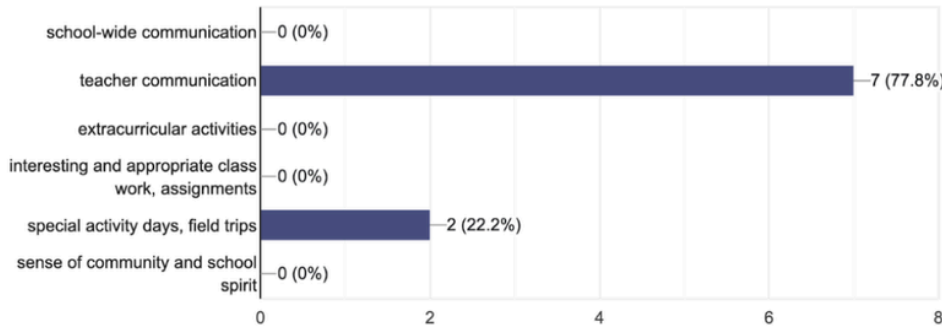
Check all items you feel went WELL this quarter:

12 responses



Check all items you feel could be IMPROVED for next quarter:

9 responses



Respondents gave additional feedback on the following areas:

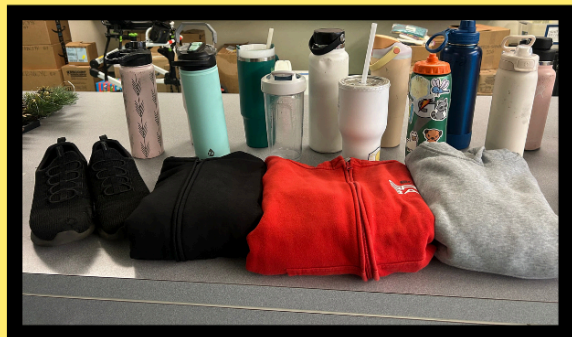
- Parents appreciate it when grades are updated regularly in Infinite Campus.
- Parents appreciate teachers who post assignments and class info on Google Classroom.
- Parents would like more clarity on the transition to standards-based grading and what assignments determine students' grades.
- Parents felt that Q1 sports day could be improved in the future with better organization and additional activities.

It would be great to get more responses for Q2. We have 750 students... and only 14 responses.

Check out our KIS wishlist.
Make a teacher's dreams come true.



Please check the Lost & Found in the front office



unclaimed items will be donated

WOW!

Amazing opportunity for KIS students!



Kailua Intermediate School Design Sprint



We invite your child to redesign an e-cigarette prevention lesson for their school!

**January 7, 2026
(Waiver Day)**

8 AM-4 PM

Location: Kailua Intermediate School cafeteria

- Share perspectives and experiences on vaping and substance use
- Brainstorm substance use prevention messages
- Redesign vape lessons



Scan to register here!

<https://tinyurl.com/KISDesignSprint>

Your child will receive a \$50 gift card & meals will be provided

@mohala.na.pua

click link to apply!



School Bus Applications for Q3 Now Open

Dec. 12 – Jan. 9

[APPLY HERE](#)

Applications must be submitted on a QUARTERLY basis and will not be accepted outside of the indicated periods.

WE NEED YOU TO SUPPORT
THE

*Staff Holiday
Breakfast*



Click [HERE](#) to donate food, paper goods or time.

Friday, December 19th



PARENTS!

**IS YOUR CHILD TAKING
AN EXPLORATORY
LANGUAGE COURSE?**

JAPANESE



SPANISH



Fill out this survey to share your thoughts on our World Language programs.

dodea
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EDUCATION ACTIVITY

This WL program is funded by a DoDEA grant

Survey Deadline:
Dec. 20th

Click or scan the above QR code if your child is taking Japanese or Spanish at KIS.



**! ATTENTION !
PLEASE**



Did your 8th grader hand in their HS forms?

High School Registration forms are due 12/12 to KIS

Late cards can be turned in Monday 12/15 by 8:30am. All other late cards must be turned in directly to the High Schools.