

2023-2024 Phase 1: The Aloha Action Phase

For the 2023-2024 school year, we will find examples of how we are addressing the principles found in Aloha Leadership in our schools. **As Aloha leaders, we will strive to achieve the following:**

Kindness: Caring for others, showing concern, being a friend, being considerate.

Serve others: Finding ways to serve others at school: both individuals and the entire village.

Lead with Compassion: Listen carefully with empathy (striving to understand the feelings of others) and sympathy (concern for other's misfortune) and take time to help.

Value relationships: Learn about the diverse characteristics and cultures of others and appreciate everyone. Everyone is a member of the village, the leadership team: teachers, staff, parents, students, community members.

Lead with Collaboration; Everyone is heard, and opinions are valued. The Team works together for the goal of creating an environment of unity, of Aloha.

Reach out: To those being bullied, subject to hate, who are lonely, tired physically and emotionally and need a friend. Develop strategies to help all feel welcome.

Aloha Leadership Planner for Phase 1

We will develop a plan of action for each of the monthly Principles, then report on our activities and findings at the end of each month. We will also find one other school in our area and review Aloha Leadership's Principles with them, then encourage them to become involved (High Schools, Middle Schools, Elementary Schools, Charter Schools, Private Schools)

Month	Monthly Principle (You may work on more than one if desired)	Activities, Findings (Please also submit a report with more details)
September-Planning Month	Kindness	Planning Month
October	Compassion	- Maui wildfires (explaining the Maui wildfires & sharing stories from the people &
November	Value Relationships	- Video - Clubs-giving (connections) - Aiga Activity
December	Value Relationships	- secret santa - Helping an organization with toy drive (if one person from an aiga donates then it'll add a point to their aiga) *Aloha Ice/school/other*
January	Collaboration	- Makahiki Games social - working with wellness center (promotion)
February	Reach Out	- potential field trip (ex. samoan solutions event) - mental health break - bring a friend day
March	Serve Others	- Multicultural Rally - Downtown Multicultural Faire
April	Collaboration & Serve Others	- Pieces of Polynesia Showcase - Saturday April 27th - Working with other AAPI clubs for AAPI month
May	Summary Month	(AAPI activities)

Holidays to be aware of, plus research other Pacific Islander holidays in Micronesia, Melanesia and Polynesia:

9-11 Day of Remembrance and Service, Hispanic Heritage Month, Indigenous Peoples Day, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day-of-Service, Black History Month, Asian and Pacific Islander Heritage Month

Summaries

Link to google drive folder with multimedia from our project [here!](#)

It has also been shared to npien@npien.com and npien.mail@verizon.net

September - Kindness / Planning Month

During this month, our board members met on zoom to reintroduce the ideals of Aloha leadership and the Aloha leadership project to new and returning board members. We then went over the new guidelines for this stage of the project and discussed what we could do throughout the year. We discussed larger events we could hold to gain more exposure to the general public for more publicity to the project, as well as activities we could do in smaller, more intimate settings such as our meetings so we could touch on the true heart of the project and share it with our members. The general ideas of what we discussed are listed in the table above.

Media of the Month

October - Compassion

We had a two week break at the beginning of this month and many of our board members who are active in this project were away from home so we decided that we would hold off on our operations until we returned to school. At our first meeting back from school, we shared the details of the Aloha leadership project to the members of our club, what we are doing in this phase of the project, and how we want to continue to spread the ideals of this project to our community because it will help strengthen our community's bond as a whole. During this meeting we also took time to talk to our members about their breaks and share stories to help strengthen our club's bond. As the Maui wild-fires had just occurred the month prior, we wanted to educate our members about the amplitude of the events and how it has truly affected the people of Maui at our next meeting. We showed our club members videos that explained and showed what had happened in Maui, and a video that explains the cultural importance of the land, sharing the definition of "Aloha Aina", that we understand that rebuilding an entire community will take lots of time and resources so took time to research ways we could donate to an organization that is directly helping the citizens of Maui in a way that is within the restrictions of what our school allows us to do. We are still finalizing the details of a fundraiser that our club could hold to support Maui in these trying times,

November - Value Relationships

This month we decided to focus on bonding with one another in the club. In our club, we decided that one of our goals this year was to create closer relations between all members. We decided to do so by assigning our members to different groups that we call our "aigas/ohanas/kaingas/families/etc", where each group's leaders are the two of the board members. This month we decided to focus on aiga bonding activities such as creating chants, deciding on names, and working in our aigas to win aiga competitions so that each person can get to know the people in their groups better.

December - Value Relationships

This month we worked on doing aiga activities and planning events for each aiga to host to strengthen bonds within our club. Board members worked together to set up activities and prizes for members attending the events. This month we also took the time

to address mental health since we had our first finals of the year. During our last weekly meeting of the month, we got in our aigas and allowed upperclassman to lead the conversation in checking in on the underclassman while allowing underclassmen to ask questions about how finals go, what comes next, etc. Board members also ensured the reassure underclassman and others of the same grade, the importance of valuing oneself over a grade, that a grade does not define one person. The Sharkies aiga also had their aiga Holiday social where they played party games, ate food from their potluck and bonded over the conversation and games.

January - Collaboration

During our meetings, we continued to host a series of activities (teaching dances, learning Olelo Hawaii, and more) for our aigas to strengthen our group bonds, and prepare for our annual Makahiki celebration social. Last semester, aigas got together and created a chant that is unique to their aiga, this month each aiga translated their chants in Olelo Hawaii to perform at the beginning of the Makahiki celebration. To prepare for the Makahiki games portion of the celebration, we ensured to educate our club members about the Makahiki season and went in depth to how it is celebrated. At the social, inspired by Hawaii's traditional Makahiki games where ali'i warrior representatives for each island competes in the games, we decided to have each aiga go head to head and send representatives for each game we played, including a relay version of Ulu Maika, Haka Moa, and Pa Uma. We began by decorating boards that represent each aiga, which we referred to as ohanas during this event, then our president explained briefly about the Makahiki season, and what we are celebrating and went into the games. At the end of the games, all club members shared a meal together that consisted of modern Hawaiian cuisine, and an award ceremony to wrap it up.

February - Reaching Out

March - Serve Others

During this month, we honored the different cultures and dances found in Polynesia by performing several dances with correct attire, such as the Siva (Samoan), Hula (Hawaiian), and Haka (Maori) at our multicultural rally school performance. Along with a food faire, in which we sold Spam Musubi to the students as a way of introducing some of Hawaii's well known foods. Many of the

soon-to-be board members that will take over for next year's Polynesian Culture Club, also participated in helping and serving the students along with the current Board Members. As well as a day during Lunch in order to play and honor some Hawaiian reggae pop music. In the near future, we will be discussing and organizing our city performance at the Downtown Brentwood Multicultural Faire, where we will perform several PCC dances. We will also be constructing a table with pictures and educational materials to honor and showcase our club's accomplishments and cultural highlights.