

Updates from Hōkūpaʻa

If you're new or looking for a refresher on Hōkūpaʻa, check out our [About Page](#). Previous newsletters are in the [Archive Page](#).

What We've Done & What We're Working On



Featured Project: Cup-of-Cheer

We're holding more Cup-of-Cheer events to show community support for the public school staff in West Hawai'i Complex Area. We're currently planning events for three more schools before summer break. (We are always open to do more events if you want to help us do something kind for a particular school.)

We're in need of tax-deductible gifts and goodies to distribute at events, especially things that teachers can use to take care of their own social-emotional needs or help serve students' needs.

[Learn more](#)

[Contact us to help or donate](#)

**Partnering with
Puakalehua Early
Learning Consortium**



Last week was the Week of the Young Child — now by official mayoral proclamation! They’ve crowdsourced many amazing activities for young children, which are great to use any day of the year!

Hōkūpa‘a is a proud member of the Puakalehua Early Learning Consortium, which is dedicated to the advancement of all aspects of Early Learning in North and West Hawai‘i.

We believe so much in the importance of Early Learning, that we created videos to help people learn all about career strands in Early Learning and how to get started. Mahalo to everyone who volunteered their time for this project to share why they love what they do!

[Visit the website to see the Mayoral Proclamation and Week of the Young Child Activities](#)

[Watch the Career Pathways “teaser” video](#) [Watch all the Career Pathways videos](#)



Helping Families Prepare Students for Post-High Success

We’ve been busy with post-high pathway events for students, but families are important, too! We want to help families guide students into success after high school, whatever their path may be.

Success is not one-size-fits-all, so please answer and then share this brief survey with families!

[Take the survey or share the link](#)

[Check out the resources we’ve already put together for families](#)

Next Youth Summit Planning Meeting: April 27th, 11AM



If you are interested in our Hawai'i Island Youth Summit planning efforts, come join us and our partners on Tuesday, April 27th from 11:00AM-12:15PM. We envision an event that convenes groups providing opportunities for young people.

You can email us with questions or to get caught up on our work so far.

[Email us](#)

Navigation Council Member Spotlight: Susan Maddox, Friends of the Future Executive Director

FRIENDS OF  THE FUTURE

We're starting a newsletter segment to help introduce our Navigation Council members and the values driving our work. First up is Susan Maddox, Executive Director of Friends of the Future.

Question: What is your vision for West Hawai'i and its youth?

I'm much more interested in the vision of youth for West Hawai'i.

Question: How can people take action to improve outcomes for young people in West Hawai'i?

Anyone interested in creating a community where youth voices are respected and listened to, can become part of Hokupa'a, support youth programs, provide youth mentorships/internships, coach an athletic team, encourage learning beyond high school...just care about youth!

[Read the full feature on our blog](#)

Links & Resources from our Network

EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

- [Kaho‘omiki](#) - **Keiki Rainbow Wellness Challenge** for schools and families P-8th grade to complete wellness activities on your own time. [Join](#)
- **Volunteers Grow Together Challenge** for Virtual Volunteer Week open to students, families, schools, and youth organizations. 4/18/21-4/24/21. [Sign up](#)
- [University Center West Hawai‘i](#) - **Accelerated Online AA degree Info Session** targeted at working adults who can earn a Liberal Arts degree with a flexible, focused schedule. 4/20/21 from 12:00PM-1:00PM. [Register](#)
- [Hawaii Agricultural Foundation](#) - **Where Would We Be Without Seeds & Veggie U Hawai‘i** elementary teacher training programs and supplies. 4/20/21 from 3:30PM-5:00PM, 4/22/21 from 3:30PM-5:30PM, and 5/8/21 from 9:30AM-12:30PM. [Register](#)
- [Zonta Club of Hilo](#)- **Magnificent Me Virtual Conference** for Hawaii Island girls in grades 6-8. Wednesdays from 3:00PM-3:45PM from 4/21/21 through 5/26/21. [Register](#)
- [Hawaii Youth Food Council](#)- **We Grow Hawai‘i: a Youth Food Summit** final session “Youth Voice & ‘Aina-based Education.” 4/24/21 from 9:00AM-3:45PM. [Register](#)
- [Center for Tomorrow’s Leaders](#) - **Celebration Week** showcasing young leaders’ projects and youth voice panels. 4/26/21-4/30/21. [RSVP](#)
- **Girls Talk Back summer leadership program** for girls age 14-18. Deadline: 4/30/21. [Flyer](#)
- [Nalukai](#) - intensive **summer tech, entrepreneurship, leadership, and design program** for Hawai‘i high school students Deadline: 5/1/21. [Apply](#)
- [Center4GettingThingsStarted](#) - **Aloha ‘Aina Academy: Agricultural Literacy through Sustainable Food Systems Education Project** summer professional development course for middle and high school science and agriculture teachers. Deadline: 5/7/21. [Apply](#)
- **Hawai‘i Virtual End Hunger Summit** a youth-led solutions conference for high school students and general community. 5/8/21 from 9:00AM-11:30AM. [Register](#)
- [Alu Like](#) - **Native Hawaiian Summer School Assistance Program** now accepting applications for K-12 summer school tuition scholarships. Deadline: 6/12/21.

[Apply](#)

- [Waipahu Community School for Adults](#) - **summer course enrollment open** with free registration; there is one free course: Adult Basic Education English. Deadline: 6/10/21. [Register](#)

RESOURCES

- [UH Manoa AFFECT project](#) - **AFFECT Instagram page** sharing accessible, research-based strategies for family engagement, and **AFFECT website** with full learning modules. [Follow Website](#)
- [Hawaii DXP- new 2020 College & Career Readiness report and Transition Metrics data](#), viewable as reports and in filterable dashboards. [Website](#)
- [What School Could Be](#) - network for people who want to reimagine “what schools could be” through events and sharing of resources. [Join](#)

Reach out!

- Get in touch using [our contact page](#).
- Let us know if you have resources, events, or other opportunities that you'd like us to share in the next newsletter or within our networks.

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