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PROUD TO BE OF SERVICE



Interact Club is a service organization sponsored by the Rotary Club of Kahului. Maui High's chapter is a proud club of 80 members ranging from grades 9-12. Through service activities the club helps students develop leadership skills, personal character, and lasting friendships. These photos show Interact Club members in action in our local community.

Above: Interact club members Jericho Lachica, Cherry Balasan, Rizalyn Balasan, and Stacey Coloma volunteer at the Alzheimers Walk in Sept.

Right: Bryant Nakagawa and approximately 9 other club members volunteer at a clean up day at Kahului Jodo Mission.



Left: Kianna Lutero and Laney Flanagan volunteer at the Maui Arts and Cultural Center. The girls help with set up, ushering, and break down for a concert event in November.

The Interact Club aims to participate in at least one service project each month. Mahalo for your service Sabers!!

PARENT COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



Principal Anderson with wife Arcie say aloha to MHS Staff

After over 30 years of service in the DOE, and a little over 4 years as Maui High's Principal, Bruce Anderson celebrates retirement. When Principal Anderson first transitioned from the role of Complex Area Superintendant to Maui High's Principal, he expressed that it was because he "missed the kids". He wanted to be around students again. During his time at MHS, Anderson inarguably exhibited a knack for connecting with young people. Furthermore, his young at heart per-sonality enhanced a 'feel good' atmosphere around campus.

at a staff meeting turned
Retirement/Farewell Party!

In the final days before the school went into winter break there were many hugs, well wishes, and thank yous for the well-lliked principal. Maui High faculty held a surprise farewell roast and toast gather-

ing. Student government threw a special farewell assembly. Students took turns saying their goodbyes and asking Mr. Anderson to pose for one photo after another.

The Saber Ohana is sad to see you go Mr. Anderson, but we all wish you the happiest of retirements. Mahalo for your service to our school and our youth!



Feleti Afemui, Ana Malafu, and Mahonri Anitema say goodbye during Anderson's final lunchtime rounds of the campus.



Students engage Principal Anderson in student lunch activities and games one last time.

Spirit Week 2017

Maui High will be celebrating Spirit Week from January 23 - 27 with a kick-off assembly happening on Thursday, January 19th!

Students are asked to participate in the following dress days to showcase their school spirit!

> Monday Jan 23- Mix Up (mix match clothing) Tuesday Jan 24- Team Up (sports/team attire) Wednesday Jan 25 - Grown Up (dream job attire) Thursday Jan 26- Glow Up (dress to impress) Friday Jan 27 - OYGB (Class Colors)

Maui High is excited to have quite a full roster of administrators as this school year has introduced 3 new faces to our administrative department!



Welcome Principal Yap! Mr. Jamie Yap has graciously accepted the call to serve as our Interim Principal. For many of our students and families his is a familiar face, as he is the former Principal of Maui Waena Int. and has over 30+ years of experience in the Dept. of Education!



Vice Principal LaMarre has been with Maui High since the start of this school year. She joined Maui High with enthusiasm and 10 years of teaching and educational leadership under her belt.



Maui High welcomes new Vice-Principal Bernice Takahata. VP Takahata has served as Principal of Pomaika'i El. and Haiku El. and has over 28 years of experience in education.

ADMINISTRATION

Interim Principal Jamie Yap

Vice Principals Joanne Higa Ty Ogasawara Francoise Wittenburg Lora-Lea LaMarre Bernice Takahata

> Athletic Director Michael Ban

AMOUNTE MAUI HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

MAUI HIGH PREPARES FOR ACT DAY 2017

Get ready Maui High! ACT Day is approaching...

February 28, 2017

On Feb. 28th, our 9th & 10th graders will be taking the ACT Aspire. Aspire scores reflect the knowledge and skills students develop over time providing an evolving picture of student growth. Aspire links these results to student readines for college and/or career.

Our 11th graders, along with all 11th graders statewide, will be taking the ACT (plus writing) Exams.

- The ACT measures students' academic strengths and weaknesses which can be extremely helpful when planning their college and/or career paths.
- An ACT score is often required on college and scholarship applications and a good ACT score will strengthen a student's application.
- For Juniors, this exam is mandated by the state and is reflected in Maui High's Strive HI schoolwide performance score.

Maui High is proud to have seen a steady increase in our school's average ACT scores for 11th graders; 2014-16.63, 2015-17.75, 2016-18.11. The state benchmark is an ACT score of 19. We want to continue the trend of improvement each year!

Starting in the last week of January, through to ACT Day, MHS will be executing our schoolwide ACT prep and awareness efforts on campus and in classrooms. Parents can get involved in ACT prep too! Encourage and talk to students at home about the importance of doing their best on ACT Day. Students and parents can learn more about ACT and how to best prepare by visiting our ACT Prep page on our school website in the College & Financial Aid portal.

What to bring on testing day:

- #2 pencils (at least two; sharpened)
- · Photo ID
- Approved calculator (Your phone is NOT allowed)
- Sweater /Jacket (may be in an air conditioned room)

Congratulations to the following students who earned a score of 22 or higher on ACT DAY 2016.

Feleti Afemui Roxanne Kate Agtang Ariane Alejo Mahonri Anitema Jamaica Aquino Benjamin Assmann Alexander Barrera-Dacuycuy Jett Bolusan Kawika Bras Mary Joy Butac Dahnielle Kiana Cabacungan Courtney Cadiz Stacey Ann Coloma Cyrus Corpuz Kirstan Crandall Robin Curley Aramis Davis Evelyn Del Valle Trendon Delray Tydney Dempsy Danny Domingo Andrell Elvana Allison Fabian Champ Foronda Brandon Garalde Forimae Garcia Sheena-marie Garo Brendan Geffe Mitchell Gray Sydney Green Jason Gumboc Alec Hermes Da Fonseca Nathan Holbrook KatieJacintho MicahJio Krystal-Andre Kalima Averi Kamihara-Kauwe Amaya Kerautret Joseph Kim

Dylan Manibog Faye Anne Miguel Summer montehermoso Rachel Nagamine Bryant Nakagawa Aimee Nathan Denise Ocampo Kyle Oshiro Jordyn Paa Braiden Paa Brennan Park Rozelle Pascua Columbus Patrocinio II Dave Patrocinio Son Phan Chester Pias jessika Piopongco Baelee Razo Pathika Naveen Reddy Anthony Ribucan Noah Rohozinski Aaron Rohozinski Aib Roldan Jeb Rulloda Wesley Sakutori Joseph Sarol Josh'Shirota Lindzi Takasaki Keely Takayama Nathalie Taroma Shaye Thorup Freychelle Tomas Nathaniel Tomchak Alexandria Tyau Nohealani Varano-Slater Rhea Villalba Nathalya Yadao Justin rei Yago Briana Yamamoto Bridgette Yang Nicole Yuzon

What is a good ACT score?

Renezel Lagran

Marston Lau

A score of 18 will qualify you for some colleges, including UHMC. 19 is the state college & career readiness benchmark. Maui High's benchmark is a score of 22 which will qualify you for most colleges. A score of 25 will qualify you for many scholarships including full tuition at UH Manoa. The highest achievable score is 36.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JUNIOR PROM 2017

Saturday, April 15, 2017 Westin Ka'anapali Resort

Attention Juniors! Prom form and payment collections will be accepted for 1 week only from March 13th - 17th during lunch/lunch recess ONLY in the gym. Bring your school ID to registration.

- ~The cost to attend prom is \$80.00 per person. Accepted form of payment is cash only. Please try to bring exact change.
- ~Formal attire will be required to attend prom. Please ensure your attire is appropriate and within Prom Guidelines.
- ~All detentions and obligations must be cleared by March 17, 2017 in order to register for prom. Maui High students who HAVE NOT paid their school or class dues and/or have not cleared their detentions and obligations, will NOT be allowed to register.

If you have any questions about PROM please see your class advisors.

Becca's Closet Shopping Days

Shop for FREE formal wear at Becca's Closet at King Kekaulike HS!

Saturdays 9am-12noon: Jan. 21st, Feb 11th and March 4th Fridays 3:00 - 4:30 pm: Jan 27th, Feb. 17th, March 10th

A valid student ID is required. Limit one dress per student. Top floor K building balcony.

MHS CHOIR CRAFT FAIR

Choir Craft fair Sunday feb. 12th Maui High Gym 10am-3pm

their detentions and obligations, will NOT be allowed to register.

PROCEEDS BENEFIT OUR CHOIR PROGRAM AND OTHER PARTICIPATING MHS CLUBS If you have any questions about PROM please AND ORGANIZATIONS. PLEASE SUPPORT!

BAND RECRUITMENT

Our Marching Band is graduating 32 seniors this year, which means that we need to replace them with students who have band experience!

-If you played band for at least two years in intermediate school, YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO JOIN!

Please see Mr. Wasano immediately if you are interested in joining. We will be travelling to Indianapolis in November of 2017 to perform in the Bands of America Grand National Championships. Your early commitment and continued dedication are necessary for this huge undertaking to be a success.

AP/RUNNING START

Advanced Placement (AP) Parent Make Up Meeting -

The final AP Parent Meeting for students interested in enrolling in an AP course for next school year will be held on Mon. January 23 from 2:15 PM in the library.

Running Start Parent Make Up Meeting -

The final Running Start Parent Meeting for students interested in enrolling in a UH Maui College course held at Maui High for next school year will be held on Tues. January 24 from 2:15 PM in the library.

SQS FOR PARENTS

9th & 11th grade parents: please fill out the School Quality Survey for parents by March 17.

9th grade parent surveys were sent home with students through their Social Studies classes. 11th grade parent surveys will be distributed at the Junior Parent Meetings on Jan. 19 and Jan. 21. After January 30th the survey will aslo be available online.

For questions on the survey you may contact our Assessment Coordinator, Jeneen Fukuroku, at (808) 727-4155 or jeneen_fukuroku@notes.k12.h

ACHIE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Successful Sabers Among Us

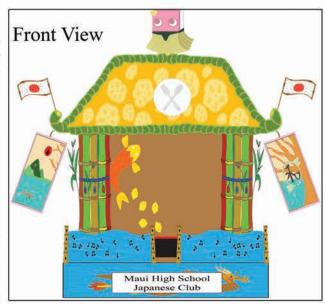
JAPANESE CLUB DESIGNS ANOTHER WINNING MIKOSHI

Congratulations to the Maui High Japanese Club for winning the 23rd Annual Honolulu Festival's 14th Maui Mikoshi Design Contest. This is the club's 4th win.

Approximately 20 students collaborated on the design of the mikoshi for about one month. The group put a lot of thought behind the meaning of each element. In return their design has earned them an all expense paid 3-day trip to participate in the Honolulu Festival parade and other weekend festivities.

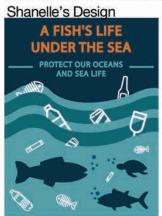
The grand showing of the mikoshi will be on March 11th, where club president Aramis Davis will give a speech about the design and its meaning. Davis had the opportunity to attend the Honolulu Festival two years ago when the club last won the mikoshi design contest. "By attending this festival, our club members will experience Japanese culture and other cultures in our state. When we march alongside our mikoshi in the parade, I hope my fellow club members will feel like they've made an impact on others through our cultural harmony themed design," says Davis.

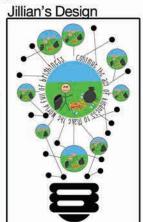
The Honolulu Festival is considered to be Hawaii's premiere cultural event, drawing in thousands of spectatorsfrom near and far to celebrate the unique blend of cultures across the Pacific.



POSTER CONTEST FINALISTS

Congratulations to Jillian Ped and Shanelle Ancheta for being finalists in the 7th Annual Clarence T.C. Ching Foundation's Poster Contest! Both students are finalists in the Digital Poster Division. Grade level winners will be announced on Feb. 22. Good Luck Sabers!





ISHIRI CONTEST WINNER



Congratulations to Briana Yamamoto for being a finalist in the Duke's Beach House Holiday T-shirt Design contest. Her winning entry earned her a \$50 gift card to Duke's Beach House!

STN HONORS

Congratulations to ACOM students Roxanne Agtang and Renezel Lagran for being named to the Student Television Network (STN) Honor Society. The STN Honor Society was established to recognize the accomplishments of outstanding students enrolled in STN programs. STN Honor student hold a GPA of 3.5 or higher and have completed at least one community service project related to video.

Class of Two-thousand Seventeen

SENIOR LUAU

Saturday, March 4, 2017

Student Chairpersons: Lindzi Takasaki and Baelee Razo

This is the last event for the Class of 2017 to have a relaxing time together. Cost will be approximately \$35. Stay tuned for registration details.

Senior Project Portfolios were due on Nov. 1st and should be completed and submitted to Mrs. Joaquin by now! Any seniors who need guidance or assistance should see Mrs. Joaquin in P-36. Do not delay! Successful completion of the Senior Project is a graduation requirement for a Maui High School diploma.

Senior Project Day is March 10th. Seniors will present their projects to a panel of judges in different classrooms at Maui High School. Each senior will be assigned a specific time and classroom to present in. All seniors will first check-in at the Library at least 20 minutes before their assigned time. There will be no school for all other grade levels on this day.

First & foremost Seniors and Parents, be sure you visit Maui High's College and Financial Aid page on our school website regularly! It's your first stop for helpful college and financial aid information.

FAFSA Info

The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) is required for federal, college, and private organization scholarships and financial aid. This school year the FAFSA filing window opened up in the fall. Many students have already completed this CRUCIAL step in receiving financial aid!

Students who still need to complete the FAFSA are encouraged to attend a FAFSA workshop to receive assistance in completing the online application. Workshops are available every Tuesday by appointment only! Students must sign up in B100. Seating is limited.

MEETING IN THE CAFE

Thurs. FEBRUARY 23rd 6pm sharp Sat. FEBRUARY 25th 9am sharp

All seniors and at least one parent must attend ONE of the meetings listed here in order to participate in Graduation Commencement Exercises.

Topics for discussion are Senior Project Presentations, Graduation requirements, Senior Agreement, and Graduation Commencement. The meeting will include distribution of Senior cap and gowns. Please be prompt and bring a pen.

GRADUATION DAY

Saturday, May 20, 2017

Student Chairperson: Braiden Paa

You must attend the Senior Class MANDATORY meeting in February in order to participate in graduation ceremonies. Also, Seniors must CLEAR ALL **OUTSTANDING FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS and** DETENTIONS with the front office. This includes lost text books, library books, uniforms, club dues or fundraising monies, class dues, etc. Student may check Jupiter Grades to see if their child has any pending disciplinary or financial obligations.

> QUESTIONS? Glennis Ooka- Class Advisor

727-4075

Scott Tresidder - Class Counselor 727-4073

Tad Iwata - Post Secondary Counselor 727-4063

Tia Joaquin - Sr. Project, Graduation Coordinator 727-4186

SPRING SPORTS INFO

Varsity Baseball Tryouts will be from Monday 1/23/17 to Wednesday 1/25/17 from 3:30pm-6:00pm @MHS Baseball Field. You must have a current physical and parental consent form turned in prior to participating. If you have any questions please see Coach Corniel. Football Strength Training begins February 1st. Be at the weightroom by 3:00pm. Please turn in a parent consent form and have a current physical on file with our athletic trainers. Both forms are available at the front office or can be printed from our MauiHigh.org website under our athletic's link or see Coach Shirota in the weightroom. Call 727-4095 if you have any questions. Judo Pre-season Conditioning & Tumbling will com-

6:00 pm, 5 days a week. Boys and Girls Golf matches will begin in February. Anyone interested in playing boys and girls golf, please contact Coach Art Rego at 295-7708. You will need a current medical physical and parental consent form

mence on February 6th. Start times will be from 4:00 to

before participating

Tennis Tryouts will be Monday February 6th at KCC Park from 3:30-5:30. Physicals and Consent forms must be completed prior to this day. Please turn in both forms to Coach Cohen on February 6th. No athlete will be allowed to tryout without both forms. Students should bring racket, water, tennis attire, tennis shoes, and hat. Any questions please contact Coach Cohen at 214-0808 or via email at sportteamcolor@yahoo.com.

SPECIAL UL YMPICS

Congratulations to our Special Olympics basketball team who took the Gold medal after defeating all four teams in their division in the Special Olympics Winter Classic on Oahu. In Bowling, Maleek Gallegos won a Silver Medal and Marcelo Gallegos achieved Honorable Mention.



Lto R: Jerimiah Abut, Jamey Burkett, Raynelle Hayman, Maka'iwa Carter, Jeffrey Fernandez, Stanley Rantak Bolten, Kainalu Akiyama, and Braedon Sniffen.

A&B SPORTS SPOTLIGH

Sports Spotlight students are selected by athletic officials from Maui County high schools and their profiles are compiled & featured by the sports department of The Maui News. The Alexander & Baldwin Foundation makes a \$200 donation in honor of each student athlete to their high school's athletic fund.

Congratulations to our recent Maui News/A&B Sports Spotlight students.



Deion Giron

- GPA: 3.2 (AP English Literature)
 SPORTS: Cross country, Paddling, Track & Field
- · FAMILY: Judy and Domindor Giron of
- ACTIVITIES: Hunting, divingFUTURE PLANS: Studying engineering at the University of Hawaii-Manoa.



Chelsey Chaves

- GPA: 3.8 (AP World History, English 100) SPORTS: Wrestling, Judo
- · FAMILY: Craig & Mary Ann Chaves of Ka-
- · ACTIVITIES: Health Occupations Students of America, National Honor Society, Best Buddies, Athletic Club, HHSAA Student Advisory Committee
 • FUTURE PLANS: Studying exercise sci-
- ence at Pacific University.



Jabari Garcia

- · GPA: 3.4
- · SPORTS: Judo, wrestling
- FAMILY: Marife and Joy Garcia of Kihei
 ACTIVITIES: Key Club, HOSA, Upward Bound, volunteering at Christ the King
- · FUTURE PLANS: Studying engineering or physical therapy in college.



Jordyn Paa

- · GPA: 4.2 (AP World History, English, Calculus; English 100, Psychology 100; ICS 169)
- · SPORT: Soccer
- FAMILY: Kelly and Edward Paa of Haiku
 ACTIVITIES: Video Club, Key Club, National Honor Society
- FUTURE PLANS: Studying hospitality and management at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas or the University of Hawaii at Manoa.

SABER CALENDAR

JANUARY

- 19- Junior Parent Mtg (option 1)
 Drivers Ed Parent Mtg
 Spirit Week Kick off Assembly
- 20- CTE at UH Maui College
- **21-** Junior Parent Mtg (option 2)
- 23- Grade Check
 ACT Schoolwide Prep Begins
 Spirit Week Acivities (1/23-1/27)
 AP Make Up Parent Meeting
- 24- Running Start Make Up Parent Mtg

Hall of Honor Nominations

The Maui High School Foundation is seeking nominations for Maui High's 2017 Hall of Honor Awards. Our Hall of Honor was created in 2011 and annually recognizes individuals with ties to Maui High School who have made outstanding contributions to the legacy of our school and to our school community.

Program information and Nomination forms can be found on the school website as well as mauihighschoolfoundation.com.

The nomination window will close on March 31st. Winners will be recognized at our annual Awards Banquet held during Maui High's Homecoming Week in October.

FEBRUARY

- **01-** Football Begins Strength Training
- 06- Grade Check
- **09-** ASVAB Test
- **12-** Choir Craft Fair (MHS Gym)
- 15- Teacher Inst. Day No School
- 20- President's Day No School
- 21- Grade Check Mid Qtr 3
- 23- Senior Parent Mtg (option 1)
- **25-** Senior Parent Mtg (option 2) Senior Luau
- **28-** ACT DAY!

6th Annual MAUI 5K March 5, 2017 7am Maalaea Triangle

Participate in the Maui5K to support Maui schools. Proceeds from the event are distributed back to participating schools to be used to enhance or improve the school's physical fitness, play and athletic programs. The early online entry fee is \$25.00/person (plus online processing fee) and ends at midnight February 20th. The online entry fee increases to \$30.00/person after February 20th and closes at midnight on March 2nd.

To register for the race visit maui5k.org. Don't forget to designate Maui High School!

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