

School

Kamehameha Schools Kapālama is an independent college preparatory day and boarding school with a Protestant Christian program. Its grades K through 12 enrollment is approximately 3,200. The high school includes grades 9-12 and enrolls about 1,800 students. About 260 grade 9-12 boarding students, primarily from the neighbor islands, reside on campus. The majority of KS graduates are first generation college-bound students. Kamehameha Schools was created under terms of the Will of Bernice Pauahi Bishop and the Schools are now supported by the Estate's endowment, which is valued at \$15.1 billion as of June 30, 2022.

The school is located on a 600-acre hillside campus in a residential area overlooking central Honolulu, the capital of Hawai'i. Honolulu, on the island of O'ahu, is a cosmopolitan multi-ethnic city and home to the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and the East-West Center. The population of O'ahu is approximately 953,000.

There are more than 70 buildings and seven miles of roadway on the campus. Major buildings include: the Midkiff Learning Center which houses print and media materials, a student media production center, and a television studio; a technology center encompassing automotive, electronic, computer-aided designing and drafting, engineering, robotics and other labs; a performing arts complex; and extensive recreational facilities. Building upon the strengths of a wide variety of instructional technology, a one-to-one laptop program was launched in 2009, and expanded in 2010. All students in grades 9-12 are issued school-owned laptops.

In alignment with KS' Strategic Vision 2040, KS Kapālama, alongside the two other K-12 campuses on Maui and Hawai'i island, aims to deliver a world-class education empowering Native Hawaiian learners to be leaders for their communities. This will be accomplished through the E Ola! Learner Outcomes framework which helps equip our students to become local and global servant leaders who are culturally engaged and play significant roles in creating strong 'ohana and communities through Hawai'i and beyond.

Students are assigned to a Student Success Counselor, who have a small caseload of 1:80, offering intentional and purposeful counseling and advising throughout high school. To support their post-secondary plans, KSK graduates will be assigned a Transition Specialist to support their transition to college and beyond via our I mua Koa program.

Admission

Admission to grades K through 12 is competitive. KS' admissions policy is to give preference to applicants of Hawaiian ancestry to the extent permitted by law. Special consideration is extended to orphans and indigents. At the high school level, the acceptance ratio is 1:6 where student body is diverse, with a wide range of interests and talents.

Financial Assistance

Because Kamehameha Schools subsidizes a significant portion of the cost of educating all students, tuition and fees total \$6,456 each year for day students and \$11,458 for boarders. Approximately 66 percent of the student body receives additional need-based aid.

Hawaiian Language Proficiency

All KSK high school students must demonstrate a level of Hawaiian language proficiency in the areas of listening, reading, speaking, and writing through a series of assessments.

Graduation Requirements

Members of the Class of 2024 have to earn at least 24 credits in high school (grades 9-12) to graduate. One-half credit equals one semester's work. The following requirements apply:

English 4	World History 1
Mathematics 3	Economics .5
Science 3	Hawaiian Culture .5
Language 2	Hawaiian History .5
Physical Education 1.5	Health .5
Speech 1	Performing Arts .5
US History 1	Visual Arts .5

Grade Point Average

GPA's are cumulative, computed each semester. Honors, Dual Credit and Advanced Placement course grades are weighted. GPA is calculated using the following scale:

Regular Courses	Honors/DC Courses	AP Courses	Range in Percentages
A = 4.0	A = 4.5	A = 5.0	93 – 100%
A– = 3.7	A– = 4.2	A– = 4.7	90 – 92%
B+ = 3.3	B+ = 3.8	B+ = 4.3	87 – 89%
B = 3.0	B = 3.5	B = 4.0	83 – 86%
B– = 2.7	B– = 3.2	B– = 3.7	80 – 82%
C+ = 2.3	C+ = 2.8	C+ = 3.3	77 – 79%
C = 2.0	C = 2.5	C = 3.0	73 – 76%
C– = 1.7	C– = 2.2	C– = 2.7	70 – 72%
D+ = 1.3	D+ = 1.3	D+ = 1.3	67 – 69%
D = 1.0	D = 1.0	D = 1.0	63 – 66%
D– = 0.7	D– = 0.7	D– = 0.7	60 – 62%
F = 0.0	F = 0.0	F = 0.0	0 – 59%

Class of 2023 Grade Distribution

GPA	% of Class	GPA	% of Class
4.00+	25.5%	2.50 – 2.99	9.8%
3.50 – 3.99	39.5%	2.00 – 2.49	3.5%
3.00 – 3.49	21.5%	Below 2.000	0.2%

441 Students / Median GPA = 3.500

Class of 2023 SAT: Reasoning Test Results*		
421 test takers		
SCORE	ERW	Math
600 or above	29.2%	18.3%
500 to 590	44.9%	45.4%
400 to 490	24.0%	31.1%
Below 400	1.9%	5.2%
MEAN SCORE	553	528
<i>*If a student took the test more than once, the most recent score is summarized.</i>		

Honors Program

The Honors Program for students of high ability is currently comprised of 52 Dual Credit, 36 Honors and 19 Advanced Placement courses in six academic areas. Approximately 60% of the high school student body is enrolled. In May 2023, 353 Advanced Placement tests were given in Biology, Calculus, Chemistry, Computer Science, Economics, English, Environmental Science, History, Japanese, Physics, Psychology and Statistics. 78.2% of those tested scored a 3 or higher. In May 2023, 99 graduated with their AA in General Studies from Hawai'i Pacific University via HPU. 195 members of the class

Academic Courses

English	
American Satire The Bible as Literature Dystopian Literature English 9, 10, 11 Fiction Writing Focus on Hawaiian, Pacific, and World Literature 9, 10, 11 Land and Literature Literary Fantasy Literature and Film Literature and Technology Literature of Competition Literature of Hawai'i Modern Shakespeare Experience Multicultural Literature: From Hawai'i to Europe Mythology in Literature	The Psychological Story Reading/Writing Strategies Sci-Fi: Science or Fiction? Works of Shakespeare World Poetry Seminar Writing Enrichment Honors English 9,10,11 Honors Focus on Hawaiian, Pacific and World Literature 9,10,11 AP Seminar AP Language and Composition AP Literature and Composition AP Literature and Composition (Comparative) (DC) Writing for College (DC) Literature of the Pacific DC Research and Writing

Languages	
Conversational French 1, 2, 3 Conversational Hawaiian Conversational Japanese Conversational Latin Conversational Portuguese Conversational Spanish 1, 2 French 1, 2, 3 Haku Mele: Hawaiian Song Composition Hawaiian 3 Ho'omana Kahiko: Hawaiian Religion Introduction to Latin Japanese 1, 2, 3 Ku'u 'Ōlelo 'Ōiwi (My Native Language)	Mandarin 1, 2, 3 Spanish 1, 2, 3 Honors Hawaiian 4, 5 6 Honors Japanese 4 Honors Mandarin 4 Honors Spanish 4, 5 AP Japanese AP Spanish (DC) Hawaiian 1 (1, 2) (DC) Hawaiian 2 (1, 2) DC Japanese 3 (1, 2) DC Japanese 4 (1, 2) DC Spanish 3 (1, 2) DC Spanish 4 (1, 2)

Mathematics	
Algebra 1A, 1B Algebra 2A, 2B College Algebra Competitive Math Core Algebra Geometry A, B Pre-Calculus Probability and Statistics Topics in Discrete Math Trigonometry Honors Algebra 1, 2 Honors Geometry Honors Pre-Calculus AP Calculus	AP Computer Science Principles AP Statistics Advanced Algebra with Financial Applications (DC) Algebra 2A, 2B (DC) Calculus DC Calculus 2 (1, 2) DC Calculus 3/ Multivariable Calculus DC College Linear Algebra DC Multivariable Calculus (DC) Pre-Calculus DC Probability & Statistics

Science	
Biology Celestial Navigation Chemistry Concepts in Biology Conceptual Physics Environmental Science Human Anatomy & Physiology Mālama Hōnua-Facing Our Sustainable Future Marine Science Physics Robotics Laboratory Honors Biology Honors Biology 2: DNA Science	Honors Chemistry Honors Marine Science Honors Physics Honors Science Research AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Environmental Science AP Physics 1, 2, C (DC) Botany DC Astronomy DC Ethnobotany DC Conservation Biology (DC) Foods & Nutrition DC Honors Biology DC Honors Chemistry

of 2023 received Academic Honors Diplomas by meeting the following requirements:

- Completed at least 7 honors credits in grades 9-12
- Maintained a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher in honors courses and an overall GPA of 3.5 or higher
- Completed two Advanced Placement, or Dual Credit courses, one which must be taken senior year. A fourth, fifth- or sixth-year language course, taken senior year, may take the place of one AP course.

Social Studies	
Advanced Child Development American Law Child Development Economics Economics & Personal Finance Explorations in Education Global Studies Hawaiian Culture Hawaiian History Hawaiian History through Art He Wa'a He Moku (Seminar in Polynesian Voyaging Human Relations Independent Living Mana Wahine: Hawaiian History through Powerful Hawaiian Women Nohona Hawai'i 1 – Hawaiian Ways of Living Nohona Hawai'i 2 – Hawaiian Projects Personal Finance Philosophy and Ethics Political Science U.S. History U.S. History through Contemporary Fashion U.S. History through Sports Honors Economics	Honors Hawaiian Culture Honors Mo'omeheu Hawai'i (Honors Hawaiian Culture in the Hawaiian Language) Honors Hawaiian History Honors Historical Research Honors Papa Mō'aukala Hawai'i (Honors Hawaiian History in the Hawaiian Language) Honors U.S. History Honors U.S. History through an Environmental Lens Honors World History AP Government & Politics AP Macroeconomics AP Microeconomics AP Psychology AP U.S. History AP World History (DC) Intro to Macroeconomics (DC) Intro to Microeconomics (DC) Intro to Political Science (DC) Psychology (DC) Sociology (DC) U.S. History through Women's Studies (1, 2) (DC) World History (1,2) DC International Systems)

Other	
'Āina-based STEM Art History, Theory and Practice Broadcast Journalism (fka Electronic Media and Communication Technology) Diversity of Life Interpretation and Public Speaking Papa Kilohōkū Social Justice and Advocacy Studio Production Video 1, 2, 3 Zoology Honors Interpretation and Public Speaking Honors Advanced Interpretation and Public Speaking Honors Value Debate	Honors Argumentation and Debate (DC) Advanced Speech Communications (DC) Computer Programming DC Creative Camera DC Digital Tools (DC) Drawing & Painting (DC) Foundations of Multimedia Production (DC) Global Cinema Studies (DC) Introduction to Visual Arts DC Mass Media Today (DC) Music Theory (DC) Play Production (DC) Speech Communication (DC) Theater Performance

(DC): Courses are offered with or without dual credit option.

DC: Courses are offered ONLY with dual credit option.

Disciplinary Infraction Reporting Policy: When students initiate a request to release information on their performance, conduct, and behavioral history, while enrolled at Kamehameha, counselors will do what is pono and respond to all requests truthfully. Please reference the Parent/Student Handbook, pg. 31-37 at <https://tinyurl.com/33bn66ue>

2023 Advanced Schooling

One hundred percent of the Class of 2023 applied to and was accepted at institutions of higher learning. Based on an online survey taken in May of 2023, 81.1% are attending four-year colleges or universities and 12.9% are attending two-year colleges or technical schools. The remaining 6.0% are primarily working, serving a mission, in the military, or involved in other activities. The following is a list of colleges attended by two or more Kamehameha graduates over the last seven years, 2017-2023.

Adams State University	4	Harvard University	5	Syracuse University	5
Amherst College	4	Harvey Mudd College	2	Tacoma Community College	2
Arizona State University-Tempe	41	Hawai'i Community College	12	The New School	2
Azusa Pacific University	6	Hawai'i Pacific University	78	The University of Arizona	6
Big Bend Community College	4	Highline College	2	United States Air Force Academy	6
Boise State University	8	Honolulu Community College	49	Preparatory School	6
Boston University	6	Kapi'olani Community College	98	United States Naval Academy	2
Brigham Young University-Hawaii	15	Kaua'i Community College	43	Universal Technical Institute	4
Brigham Young University-Idaho	6	Leeward Community College	109	University of Alaska Anchorage	2
Brigham Young University-Provo	76	Lewis & Clark College	3	University of California-Berkeley	6
Brown University	7	Linfield University	11	University of California-Irvine	13
Bushnell University	2	Linn-Benton Community College	3	University of California-Los Angeles	8
California Baptist University	4	Loyola University-New Orleans	2	University of California-Riverside	3
California Institute of Technology	2	Marist College	4	University of California-San Diego	7
California Lutheran University	7	Marymount Manhattan College	2	University of California-	
California Polytechnic State		Massachusetts Institute		Santa Barbara	3
University-San Luis Obispo	4	of Technology	10	University of Colorado Boulder	4
California State Polytechnic		Menlo College	10	University of Colorado Denver	3
University-Pomona	6	Midland University	3	University of Hawai'i at Hilo	118
California State University		MiraCosta College	2	University of Hawai'i at Mānoa	535
Maritime Academy	5	New York University	7	University of Hawai'i Maui College	10
California State University-		North Idaho College	3	University of Hawai'i-West Oahu	54
Northridge	2	Northern Arizona University	22	University of Nevada-Las Vegas	60
California State University-		Northwestern University	3	University of Nevada-Reno	14
Sacramento	6	Ohio State University	4	University of Northern Colorado	4
Central Washington University	11	Olivet Nazarene University	9	University of Notre Dame	4
Chaminade University		Orange Coast College	6	University of Oregon	28
of Honolulu	73	Oregon Institute of Technology	8	University of Pennsylvania	4
Chapman University	20	Oregon State University	56	University of Pittsburgh	2
Clemson University	3	Oxnard College	2	University of Portland	35
College of Southern Nevada	4	Pace University,		University of Puget Sound	6
Colorado College	2	New York City Campus	3	University of Redlands	4
Colorado Mesa University	11	Pacific Lutheran University	10	University of San Diego	13
Colorado State University	14	Pacific University	30	University of San Francisco	13
Columbia University in the		Paul Mitchell	2	University of Southern California	9
City of New York	5	Pennsylvania State University	3	University of Texas	2
Concordia University-Irvine	5	Pepperdine University	9	University of Utah	7
Concordia University-Portland	9	Point Loma Nazarene University	10	University of Washington	10
Corban University	6	Pomona College	6	Utah Tech University	3
Cornell University	3	Portland State University	17	Utah Valley University	32
Cornish College of the Arts	5	Rochester Institute of Technology	4	Vanderbilt University	5
Cowley County Community College	2	Saint Louis University	2	Vanguard University	3
Creighton University	33	Saint Martin's University	9	Warner Pacific University	3
Dartmouth College	11	San Diego State University	15	Washington State University	27
DePaul University	2	San Jose State University	4	Weber State University	7
Dixie State University	5	Santa Barbara City College	3	Western Oregon University	21
Duke University	2	Santa Clara University	6	Western Washington University	3
Edmonds Community College	2	Santa Rosa Junior College	2	Whittier College	4
Embry-Riddle		Seattle Pacific University	14	Whitworth University	13
Aeronautical University	21	Seattle University	18	Willamette University	7
Everett Community College	2	Shoreline Community College	2	William Jessup University	4
Felician University	2	Southern Methodist University	2	Williams College	3
George Fox University	14	Southern Oregon University	11	Windward Community College	93
Gonzaga University	4	Spokane Falls Community College	2	Yale University	5
Goucher College	2	Stanford University	16		
Grand Canyon University	69	Stony Brook University	2		

Kamehameha Schools is the largest independent school system in the United States. It was founded and endowed by the will of Bernice Pauahi Bishop, great-granddaughter of Kamehameha the Great. The system currently educates more than 7,000 students of Hawaiian ancestry at K-12 campuses on O'ahu, Hawai'i and Maui, and at 30 preschools statewide. Kamehameha Schools also serves thousands of other Hawaiian learners through a range of outreach programs, community collaborations and financial aid opportunities.



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