

## Counseling and Guidance



The Counseling and Guidance program at Kamehameha Schools Maui is a comprehensive program, encompassing individual counseling, group counseling and classroom guidance. KS School Counselors are professional student advocates who provide personal/social, career and academic support to all students. Our mission is to collaborate with other educators, parents/guardians and the community to facilitate the support system to help students develop the skills necessary to become good and industrious men and women.

The vision of the counseling and guidance program is to assist all students to achieve their highest potential as "good and industrious men and women." The counselor will foster and promote the Expected Schoolwide Learning Results (ESLR's) I.M.U.A = Industrious, Moral, Understanding, Active.

All students will participate in guidance and will actively learn and practice key character values that has been embraced and exemplified by Ke ali 'i Pauahi. Proactive lessons are delivered every other 6-day cycle to grades Kindergarten through Fifth Grade by the counselor.

Through the Counseling and Guidance program:

- Children will have an understanding of self and others;
- Know own capabilities and use these to participate effectively and confidently in a variety of settings.
- Be adaptable to change and flexible in outlook.
- Demonstrate respect for the feelings, views and capabilities of others; respect own and other people's property.
- Demonstrate an understanding and appreciation of Hawaiian culture and values.

The elementary school staff believes that all children can learn. We believe that learning is active and developmental. It involves a continuous cycle of exploration, investigation and application. Learning is multi-disciplinary. Communication is an integral component of learning as it occurs in a social context. Learning enables children to make informed and responsible decisions about their lives. We believe children have special identity as Hawaiians and Christians. Children have multiple capacities for learning that can be developed. Each individual is special and is valued for his or her uniqueness. Every child is unique in his or her approach to learning.

ES Counselor will:

Counseling:

- conduct individual and group counseling sessions with students relating to personal, social, and academic development.
- identifies early indications of social maladjustments, child abuse and neglect and other physical and emotional problems and intervenes and make appropriate referrals.
- develops and implements a guidance program for assigned grade levels.

Consulting:

- consults with administrators, teachers, parents, community members and agencies to develop a positive school climate.
- provide assistance to Kamehameha Schools and the community.
- Conference with parent(s) and assist them with the growth of their children.

Coordinating:

- coordinate student government, school wide events, projects, assemblies, etc. that enhances children and adults self-concept and self-respect.
- coordinates referrals to other specialist and agencies in school and the community.