

April 26, 2021

Aloha e nā makua,

I hope this letter finds you and your 'ohana doing well and in good health. Mahalo to all of you for partnering with kumu and staff throughout the school year to support your keiki's learning. As the conditions with COVID-19 improve, the state and counties are expanding activities and loosening restrictions. As these changes occur, we want to make sure that we are adjusting and adapting appropriately in order to best meet the needs of keiki, 'ohana and our communities.

I am happy to share with you that in August, we plan to transition back to our pre-COVID program hours of 7:00am-5:00pm, Monday through Friday for full day sites and 7:30am-3:30pm, Monday through Friday for modified day sites. Modified day sites include:

Kahalu'u Kalama'ula Hāna

Kahuku Kea'au Hōnaunau

Health and safety continue to be a top priority and if the conditions with COVID-19 worsen we will be prepared to transition to full distance learning or hybrid learning as needed. We will continue to follow our safety protocols such as frequent handwashing, hygiene etiquette, wearing face cloth coverings, requiring staff and keiki to stay home when sick, and appropriate cleaning and sanitizing. In the new school year, we will also ask keiki to wear face cloth coverings during school. As a part of the program kumu will provide support to keiki in learning how to appropriately use and care for the face covering. If keiki have a difficult time wearing the face covering, kumu will support keiki.

Keiki will begin orientation on August 10 and the first full day of school for all keiki will be on August 23. The orientation period will provide an opportunity for new keiki to learn the safety protocols and time for kumu and keiki to adjust to sites being at full capacity and how to operate within the new cohorts.

With our safety protocols and the improved COVID-19 conditions across the state, I am confident that we can safely extend our hours to better meet the needs of 'ohana and keiki.

If you have any questions, please contact your keiki's Hope Po'o Kumu.

Me ka mahalo nui,

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^{*}All other preschools are full day sites.