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Marine Corps Base Hawaii School Liaison Newsletter

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The USMC School Liaison Program is designed to create connectivity between military parents, schools, and the Marine Corps.

Our top priority is to provide parents, students, and educators timely and relevant information to enhance learning and promote academic success.

If you would like to receive a copy of the SLO newsletter and updates, please email us: mcbh.slo.fct@usmc.mil. Be sure to include your name along with your contact information.

✿ Hawaii School Scoop ✿

Aloha and Welcome,

It's summer and students are back in school. Monday, July 30th was the first day of school for public school students. While school starts early every year here, Hawaii schools are not year-round. Public school students are in school the last few days of July to the end of May annually. During the year, three school breaks occur at the end of each quarter:

- Fall Break: 1 week, early/mid Oct
- Winter Break: 2 weeks, on or about Dec 15
- Spring Break: 1 week, mid Mar

The School Liaison Office is here to support your family's transition. If you have any questions about schools for your K – 12th grade child, please feel free to contact us or stop by for a visit. We are here M-F 0800-1600 and located at MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, Bldg 216, rooms 26 & 28. We look forward to meeting you!



Impact Aid Survey REMINDER

Do you know why Impact Aid funding is important for your child's school?

This funding is provided to school districts to offset the loss of property tax on federal property.

Who should turn in Impact Aid Surveys to the school?

Parents and Guardians of Children of Military and Department of Defense (DA) Civilians need to turn in the surveys to their school.

Why is my survey important?

The amount of funds the school district receives is based on the number of Impact Aid Surveys returned.

Parents, you can make a difference at your school by completing and returning the Federal Survey Cards promptly!

Federal Survey Cards will be sent home in early September.

School Bus Transportation

Although HI DOE discontinued a large number of bus routes in early July 2012, limited school bus services to MCBH, Kaneohe have been restored for SY 12-13. Please refer to the table below for more information. Unfortunately, services to the following schools remain discontinued: Mokapu Elementary School, Highlands Intermediate School, and Pearl City High School.

Bus Fares SY 12 - 13	
Annual Round Trip	\$270
Annual One Way	\$135
Quarterly Round Trip	\$72
Quarterly One Way	\$36
One-Way Bus Coupons	\$12.50 Per sheet of 10

Route #	Pick Up/Drop off Location	Pick Up Time	School Departure Time	School	Neighborhoods Served
W90 A	Youth Center	0645	1455	Kalaheo	Waikulu, Hawaii Loa, Kapoho, Heleloa & Hana Like
W 90 B	Youth Center	0720	1415	KIS	
W91 A	STOP 1: Mokapu Road	0645	1455	Kalaheo	Mololani, Kaluapuni, Nani Ulupa'u, Ulupa'u, Mokolea & Pa Honua
W91 B	STOP 2: South Lawrence by Campion & Harris Ave.	0720	1415	KIS	

To download a map, please visit: http://www.mcbh.usmc.mil/g1/school_liaison.htm
 HI DOE School Bus Transportation website: <https://iportal.k12.hi.us/SBT/>

KINDERGARTEN

Entry Age

The current cutoff date to enter Kindergarten in Hawaii is December 31. Beginning in SY14-15, the cutoff date will change to July 31.

	SYs 12 - 14	SY 14 - 15+
K	1/1 – 8/1	1/1 – 7/31
Jr. K	8/ 2 – 12/31	No Jr. K

For more information, visit:
<http://doe.k12.hi.us/kindergarten>



Special Show for School Students

On Friday, Sep 28, MCB Hawaii will host a special show for school students and community members, including private and homeschooled students. It is an opportunity for schools to get up close and personal to all the acts, static displays and events. It is a much more intimate setting than that of the air show itself.

The time for Friday's show is 1100-1700, the same as Saturday and Sunday. Gates will open at 0900.

Visit <http://www.kaneohebayairshow.com/school.shtml> to register your school and communicate any special needs or requirements.

Or contact the School Liaison Office at (808) 257-8897 or 8826.

Mark Your Calendars

SY 2012 - 2013

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Aug	17	Statehood Day
Sep	3	Labor Day
Oct	1 – 8	Fall Break
Nov	6	Election Day
Nov	12	Veterans Day
Nov	22 – 23	Thanksgiving

Mokapu Elementary

- Aug 8** All Kindergarten Classes Begin (Full Day)
- Aug 15** Coffee Hour 0800 - 0900 (in P6)
- Aug 16** Open House
- Aug 23** Picture Day

Call 254-7964 for more information

Kailua Intermediate School

- Aug 16** KIS Open House, 6-8 p.m.
- Aug 20 – 24** KIS Book Fair in library
Volunteers appreciated!

Call 263-1500 for more information

Kalaheo High School

- Aug 14** **Back to School Open House**
Bring a copy of your child's schedule and experience a portion of their day.
6:30 PM Cafeteria

Call 254-7900 for more information

Recommended List of Books to Read to your

KINDERGARTENER

Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel by Virginia Lee Burton

Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten by Joseph Slate

Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type by Doreen Cronin

Mr. Popper's Penguins by Richard Atwater

A Chair for My Mother by Vera B. Williams

The Kissing Hand by Audrey Penn

No Hitting! by Karen Katz

Little Gorilla by Ruth Bornstein

My Many Colored Days by Dr. Seuss

Bedtime for Frances by Russell Hoban



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