

College & Career Bulletin

Moanalua High School
SY 2019-2020

Recommendation Letters

Ask now!

If you need letters of recommendation for college and/or scholarship applications, ask your teachers and counselors now in order to avoid rushing when deadlines approach. Some scholarships will also require a letter from a community member. A community member could be your employer, coach, club advisor, or an individual who supervises your volunteer work for church or other community organizations. It's best to request for letters at least one month before your earliest deadline. Provide your recommenders with an updated PDS and any other information they require to write your letter.

FERPA Waiver

The Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) gives students the right to view confidential letters of recommendation under certain circumstances. College applications will ask if you would like to waive this right. Waiving this right lets colleges know that you do not intend to read your letters, which helps to reassure colleges that the letters are truthful. For more information on FERPA go to <https://www2.ed.gov/policy/gen/guid/fpco/ferpa/index.html>

Application recommender information

When filling out applications online, you will need to input information for each of your recommenders. Be sure to ask your teacher(s)/counselor if they are willing to write letters for you **BEFORE** you input and submit their information. Most colleges and scholarships will ask for their name, title, and email address. Let your recommenders know where you are applying.

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Upcoming Events

Exploring College Options

Thurs. 9/12/19 7:00 pm
Hilton Hawaiian Village

ACT Test Date

Sat. 9/14/19

Exploring Educational Excellence

Sat. 9/14/19 2:00 pm
Sheraton Waikiki

8 of the Best Colleges Information Session

Sun. 9/15/19 2:00 pm
Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii

Kapiolani Community College Dual Credit Information Session

Thurs. 9/26/19
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm
'Iliahi 103

UH Manoa Engineering Day

Sat. 9/28/19
8:30 am – 12:30 pm
UH Manoa

Creighton University Prospective Student Reception

Sun. 9/15/19 3:00 pm
Mid-Pacific Institute

Recommendation Letters (continued)

Digital or hardcopy?

An email will then be sent to the teacher(s)/counselor indicated on your application inviting them to complete and submit their recommendation online. If the college or scholarship you are applying to requires a hardcopy recommendation letter to be mailed, be sure to provide your recommenders with stamped, addressed envelopes and any necessary forms.

Almost done...

Check in with your recommenders well before the due date and ask if they need any additional information. Be sure to ask your teachers to send a copy of your letter to the College & Career Center. And lastly, don't forget to say thank you!

Important Announcements

Seniors:

Financial Aid Night

A financial aid officer will be coming to Moanalua High School to talk about financial aid and the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Seniors and their parents/guardians are highly encouraged to attend. The event will be held on Thursday, September 26th at 6:00 pm in the library.

Juniors:

College Planning Night for Juniors & Parents

Junior students and their parents are invited to attend a college planning night with Ms. Himuro on Thursday, September 19th at 6:00 pm in the library. Learn about the college planning process, financial aid, and what students should be doing this year to prepare for college applications next year. Special Guest Mr. Dexter Turner, Assistant Director of Admissions at Creighton University will be providing information regarding the FAFSA and the financial aid process.

Sign up for the PSAT/NMSQT held on Saturday, October 19th

Juniors (only) are invited to sign up for the PSAT/NMSQT (preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test). The cost of the test is \$22 and we will be accepting CASH or CHECKS payable to Moanalua High School. If you are a student who receives free or reduced lunch, Partial Fee Reductions are available on a first-

PSAT/NMSQT Registration

Deadline (Juniors Only)

Tues. 9/17/19

College Admission & College Fit

Wed. 9/18/19 6:00pm-7:00pm

Kaneohe Library

Junior College Planning Night

Thurs. 9/19/19 6:00pm, Library

Registration Deadline for Oct. 26 ACT

Fri. 9/20/19

Discover USC

Sun. 9/22/19 2:00 pm

Hawaii Prince Hotel Waikiki

Late Registration Deadline for Oct. 5 SAT

Tues. 9/24/19

Financial Aid Night

Thurs. 9/26/19 6:00pm, Library

Honolulu Information Session for 6 Colleges

Wed. 10/2/19 6:00 pm

Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii

Late Registration Deadline for Oct. 26 ACT

Fri. 10/4/19

SAT Test Date

Sat. 10/5/19

Test-Prep Hawaii SAT Prep Classes

Mon. 10/7/19–Thurs. 10/10/19

10:30 am – 12:30 pm

come-first-served basis. Please come to the College & Career Center to register for the test by Tuesday, September 17th. Space is limited.

Other Important Announcements

Exploring College Options

Exploring College Options is a special recruitment program sponsored by the undergraduate admissions offices of five of the country's leading universities: [Duke University](#), [Georgetown University](#), [Harvard University](#), the [University of Pennsylvania](#), and [Stanford University](#). During the spring or fall of each year, the Exploring College Options group will visit all 50 states, Puerto Rico, USVI and the District of Columbia. At each event, representatives from the five universities will conduct brief slide presentations about their institution and answer your questions about the sometimes-mystifying world of college admissions.

You will learn what distinguishes one fine university from another, what competitive colleges look for in the selection process, and what you can do to enhance your college application. The programs start promptly at 7:00pm unless otherwise noted. They suggest arriving 15 to 20 minutes beforehand to complete the sign-in process and find a seat. Programs typically last one and a half hours. Please feel free to bring your parent or guardian to the program, and if you have a friend who you think might be interested, please direct him/her to the registration website for more information. This event will be held on Thursday, September 12th at 7:00 pm at the Hilton Hawaiian Village. Please visit <http://exploringcollegeoptions.org/#HI> to register for the event.

Exploring Educational Excellence

Join Brown University, Columbia University, Cornell University, Rice University, and the University of Chicago for an information session for prospective students and their families. Admissions counselors will discuss academics, the admissions process at selective schools, financial aid, and campus life. The event will be held on Saturday, September 14th at 2:00 pm at the Sheraton Waikiki. Register online at <http://exploringeducationalexcellence.org>.

8 of the Best Colleges Information Session

The deans and directors of admission from Claremont McKenna College, Colorado College, Connecticut College, Grinnell College, Haverford College, Kenyon College, Macalester College, and Sarah Lawrence College invite prospective students and their families to an information session. The program includes presentations on each of the colleges, as well as general information on the selective college admissions process and financial aid. There is also an opportunity to meet the representatives and ask questions about each college individually. The event will be held on

Carnegie Mellon Information Session

Sun. 10/13/19 2:00 pm
McKinley High School

Test-Prep Hawaii ACT Workshop

Sat. 10/19/19-Sun. 10/20/20
1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

PSAT/NMSQT (Juniors Only)
Sat. 10/19/19 7:45 am

Honolulu Christian College Fair

Sat. 10/19/19 5:00pm-7:00pm
Hawaii Baptist Academy

2019 Honolulu Art Portfolio Day

Sun. 10/20/19
9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Mid-Pacific Institute

Honolulu National College Fair

Tues. 10/22/18
8:30am – 11:30am
5:00pm – 8:00pm
Hawaii Convention Center

ACT Test Date

Sat. 10/26/19

Sunday, September 15th at 2:00 pm at the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii. Register online at <https://8ofthebestcolleges.org/>.

Creighton University Prospective Student Reception

Creighton University will be hosting a prospective student reception on Sunday, September 15th at 3:00 pm at Mid-Pacific Institute. Students will learn about Creighton University and meet and mingle with admissions professionals, faculty, alumni and Creighton parents. Register online at <http://admissions.creighton.edu/CreightonOnTour>.

College Admission & College Fit

The Hawaii Association for College Admission Counseling will be hosting a College Admission & College Fit event on Wednesday, September 18th from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm at Kaneohe Library. This FREE workshop is suitable for high school students and their families. Younger students and their families are also welcome to attend. This community presentation, consisting of "College Admission: What are colleges looking for in a student?" and "College Fit: Finding the right academic, social, and financial fit" assists students and their families to make informed decisions about college.

Discover USC

The University of Southern California will be hosting a fall reception for prospective students and their families at the Hawaii Prince Hotel Waikiki on Sunday, September 22nd at 2:00 pm. At this program, students and parents will get an overview of USC and their admission process, as well as hear from representatives from several of their academic units. Interested students should sign up at <https://admission.usc.edu/DiscoverUSC>.

Kapiolani Community College Dual Credit Information Session

The Dual Credit (Running Start) program offers an opportunity for high school students to earn both high school and college credits simultaneously. Kapiolani Community College will be holding an information session for students interested in the Dual Credit program on Thursday, September 26th from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm on their campus in room 'Iliahi 103.

UH Manoa Engineering Day

Engineering Day provides high school juniors and/or senior students, their parents/guardians, along with interested high school counselors and teachers, and opportunity to learn more about what the College of Engineering at UH Manoa has to offer. Get a taste of the exciting experiences you can have through faculty speakers, lab tours, and Q&A with students at Engineering Day. The event will be held on Saturday, September 28th from 8:30 am to

College Visits

Seattle Pacific University
Mon. 9/9 8:30 am (pd. 1)

Oregon State University
Mon. 9/9 1:45 pm (pd. 7)

Colorado Mesa University
Tues. 9/10 11:00 am (pd. 4)

Linfield College
Tues. 9/10 1:10 pm (pd. 5)

University of Rochester
Wed. 9/11 8:30 am (pd. 3)

University of Hawaii at Manoa
Wed. 9/11 9:50 am (pd. 4)
Library

Dickinson College
Wed. 9/11 1:45 pm (pd. 7)

Case Western Reserve University
Thurs. 9/12 12:45 pm (pd. 3)

Gonzaga University
Fri. 9/13 8:30 am (pd. 4)

University of Puget Sound
Fri. 9/13 10:15 am (pd. 5)

Whitman College
Fri. 9/13 12:15 pm (pd. 6)

Georgetown University
Fri. 9/13 12:15 pm (pd. 6)

Creighton University
Fri. 9/13 1:30 pm (pd. 7)

University of Pennsylvania
Mon. 9/16 8:30 am (pd. 1)

12:30 pm. To register, go to https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Vc-aDc5Cv_TGHvxbDOvf1o9VStqXoElwQY-n_gHPoPU/edit.

Honolulu Information Session for 6 Colleges

Representatives from Brandeis, Davidson, Hamilton, Muhlenberg, NYU, and Tulane will be hosting a student reception on Wednesday, October 2nd at 6:00 pm at the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii. Each college will present on the unique attributes of each school as well as offer advice for students in the college application process. Go to <https://apply.tulane.edu/portal/tulanecomestoyou?id=b862d29f-6d3d-45d6-84cf-82d1faedb481> to register for the event.

Carnegie Mellon Fall Information Session

Carnegie Mellon will be offering an information session at McKinley High School on Sunday, October 13th at 2:00 pm. This information session will offer an experiential look at the university through student and faculty stories. During the hour-long session, prospective students will learn more about Carnegie Mellon's colleges and programs, admission and financial aid, and life as a student in Pittsburgh. If you would like to attend this information session, register online at https://admission.cmu.edu/portal/information_session.

Honolulu Christian College Fair

The Honolulu Christian College Fair will be held on Saturday, October 19, 2019 from 5:00pm – 7:00pm at Hawaii Baptist Academy – Stan Sagert Campus. View college and university displays, talk with representatives from the schools, and attend a financial aid workshop! For a list of participating schools, visit <https://myblueprintstory.com/christian-university-college-fairs?fid=113>. No registration required.

2019 Honolulu Art Portfolio Day

The Hawaii Association for College Admission Counseling and Mid-Pacific Institute are pleased to present their annual Art Portfolio Day on Sunday, October 20th from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm at Mid-Pacific Institute. Students are encouraged to bring their portfolio for review by admission officers. Priority will be given to students who will be applying for the Fall of 2020. Students should present their portfolios in digital format on their iPads or laptops.

Honolulu National College Fair

Colleges from across the country will be at the Hawaii Convention Center for the first of two national college fairs held on Oahu. The college fair will be on Tuesday, October 22 from 8:30am-11:30am and 5:00pm-8:00pm. This is a great opportunity to speak with representatives from colleges and universities. The fair will be free

Southern Oregon University
Mon. 9/16 9:50 am (pd. 2)

Hawaii Pacific University
Mon. 9/16 11:00 am (pd. 3)

Northern Arizona University
Mon. 9/16 12:40 pm (pd. 6)

Chapman University
Mon. 9/16 1:45 pm (pd. 7)

University of Northern Colorado
Tues. 9/17/19 8:30 am (pd. 1)

Pacific University
Tues. 9/17 1:10 pm (pd. 5)

University of La Verne
Wed. 9/18 9:50 am (pd. 4)

Grinnell College
Wed. 9/18 11:00 am (pd. 5)

St. Mary's College of California
Wed. 9/18 12:40 pm (pd. 6)

University of Montana Western
Wed. 9/18 1:45 pm (pd. 7)

University of the Pacific
Thurs. 9/19 8:45 am (pd. 1)

Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences
Thurs. 9/19 10:15 am (pd. 2)

University of San Francisco
Thurs. 9/19 12:45 pm (pd. 3)

and open to the public. Preregister for the Honolulu National College Fair and see a list of attending schools online at <https://www.nacacfairs.org/attend/national-college-fairs/honolulu-national-college-fair/>.

U.S. Service Academy Appointments – Brian Schatz

Senator Schatz has the honor and privilege of nominating exceptional students from the state of Hawai'i for appointment to the U.S. Service Academies. An official nomination is required for admission to each of the Service Academies except the United States Coast Guard Academy. In accordance with the Service Academy "whole person" approach for selecting the best qualified candidates, Senator Schatz is committed to evaluating students on a broad range of criteria including character, scholarship, leadership, and motivation. Due to a competitive and thorough selection process, students who have not yet started the application process are encouraged to begin immediately. Applications are due before 6:00pm HST on Friday, October 18, 2019.

Reed College Fall Visit Fly-In Program

Reed College invites seniors in high school who live in the United States and are from a historically underrepresented racial or ethnic background (African American, Latino, Asian, Native American, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander) to apply for their Reed Fall Visit Fly-In Program. Students who participate in the program will stay on campus in a residence hall for two nights, visit classes in any of their majors and programs, explore Portland, and engage with faculty, staff, and current Reed students. The program is all-expenses-paid, including travel, which will be arranged by their office. The program will take place from Sunday, October 13 to Tuesday, October 15. Apply online at <https://www.reed.edu/apply/rome.html>. Deadline to apply is September 9.

Case Western Reserve University Diversity Overnight Programs

Case Western Reserve University is currently accepting student applications for their Diversity Overnight Programs, Oct. 13 and 14 or Nov. 10 and 11. Applications are due by Sept. 1 for the October program and Oct. 1 for the November Program. Participants will stay in a residence hall with a student host, engage with faculty, and learn about the many opportunities available to students at Case Western Reserve University and throughout their campus in Cleveland's University Circle. Case Western Reserve will cover the cost of meals and lodging for students accepted to this program. They are also able to assist with travel expenses and arrangements. Apply online at <https://go.case.edu/register/diversityovernight>.

University of Southern California

Fri. 9/20 8:45 am (pd. 4)

Menlo College

Fri. 9/20 1:30 pm (pd. 7)

Willamette University

Mon. 9/23 12:40 pm (pd. 6)

University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Tues. 9/24 11:00 am (pd. 4)

Illinois Institute of Technology

Wed. 9/25 9:50 am (pd. 4)

Chaminade University of Honolulu

Wed. 9/25 11:00 am (pd. 5)

Pacific Lutheran University

Wed. 9/25 12:40 pm (pd. 6)

Saint Martin's University

Thurs. 9/26 10:15 am (pd. 1)

University of Hawaii, West Oahu

Thurs. 9/26 1:00 pm (pd. 3)

United States Army

Fri. 9/27 9:50 am (pd. 5)

Vanderbilt University

Mon. 9/30 12:00 pm
(After pd. 2 exam)

New York University

Wed. 10/2 12:00 pm
(After pd. 6 exam)

Emerson College

Thurs. 10/3 10:15 am
(After pd. 7 exam)

Denison University Diversity Fly-In

Denison University will be hosting their Dialogue with Denison fly-in program from November 2-4. Denison University is a selective, independent, liberal arts college located in Granville, Ohio. Through the Dialogue with Denison program, participating students will engage in an extensive diversity workshop program, learn more about the resources available to multicultural students, and discover all that Denison has to offer. Dialogue with Denison is a fully-funded opportunity to visit their campus! Students selected to participate in the program will receive round trip transportation to campus, and will be hosted on campus by a current student for two nights. Apply for the program online at <https://connect.denison.edu/register/dwdapplication>. The deadline to apply is October 1st.

University of Rochester – Multicultural Visitation Program

The University of Rochester's Multicultural Visitation Program brings together high school seniors from diverse backgrounds to experience Rochester on a more personal level. Members of the University's community come from different geographical areas, represent differences in ethnicities, religious beliefs, values, socioeconomic backgrounds, and points of view; they may be physically different, have different intellectual interests, or have disabilities. Rochester welcomes such differences and helps students thrive in an equally diverse environment. MVP will take place Sunday, November 10–Tuesday, November 12. Learn more about the program, financial support, and application details at <http://enrollment.rochester.edu/multicultural-visitation-program>. Apply by Sunday, October 6.

SAT/ACT Prep Classes at Moanalua

Test Prep Hawaii will be having SAT & ACT Prep Classes at Moanalua High School this Fall.

SAT Prep Classes: October 7-10, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm

ACT Prep Workshop: October 19-20, 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

To register, please call (808)261-6666 or register online at www.test-prepHi.com.

New Scholarships

*See past bulletins for information on more scholarships

HMSA Kaimana Scholarships

HMSA Kaimana Scholarships recognize students for their all-around excellence and their commitment to well-being through achievements in academics, athletics, community service, healthy activities, and sportsmanship. Special focus is given to students who play lower-profile sports. Recipients can use their scholarships to help pay for tuition, room and board, airfare to and from the

Colorado State University – Fort Collins

Mon. 10/14 8:30 am (pd. 1)

Carleton College

Mon. 10/14 11:00 am (pd. 3)

University of California, Irvine

Mon. 10/14 1:45 pm (pd. 7)

Whitworth University

Wed. 10/16 9:50 am (pd. 4)

Marquette University

Wed. 10/16 11:00 am (pd. 5)

Southern Methodist University

Thurs. 10/17 8:45 am (pd. 1)

Westmont College

Thurs. 10/17 10:15 am (pd. 2)

California Baptist University

Thurs. 10/17 12:45 pm (pd. 3)

University of Arizona

Fri. 10/18 8:45 am (pd. 4)

Purdue University

Fri. 10/18 10:15 am (pd. 5)

Washington State University

Fri. 10/18 12:15 pm (pd. 6)

Pitzer College

Fri. 10/18 1:30 pm (pd. 7)

Seton Hall University

Mon. 10/21 8:30 am (pd. 1)

Soka University of America

Mon. 10/21 9:50 am (pd. 2)

University of Glasgow

Mon. 10/21 11:00 am (pd. 3)

airport closest to the school, laptop or desktop computers, or bogs for education after high school. Eligible students must graduate from a Hawaii high school in 2020, have a minimum cumulative grade-point average of 2.75 verified by an official school transcript, have participated on a league-recognized team during one or more of their high school years, have participated in community service projects in addition to school activities, submit recommendations from two faculty members from their school that detail their athletic dedication and determination, academic performance, sportsmanship, and personal character, and submit a brief essay on their high school experience and plans after high school. Up to 15 students will be awarded scholarships worth \$5,000. Applications can be found online at www.hmsa.com/kaimana. The deadline to apply is February 7, 2020.

Employment Opportunities

Brian Schatz's High School Internship Program

US Senator Brian Schatz's high school internship program provides a hands-on learning opportunity and encourages students to be leaders and advocates in their schools and communities. While each year's activities are adjusted to reflect the interests of selected students, previous classes have conducted peer surveys, attended community meetings, tracked how federal legislation impacts their communities, and learned how to propose the office take action on issues that are important to them. The internship runs from October to April and interns must commit for the full term. This is not an office position and students should miss little or no class time performing the tasks or assignments related to the program. The program uses online tools and communication methods, including weekly video conferences, so students from all islands are encouraged to apply. Public, private, charter, and homeschool students in the state of Hawaii may apply. Students must have a GPA of 2.5 or better and have personal access to email throughout the internship. Interns will be selected based on their involvement in their community, diversity of interests and life experiences, and demonstrated leadership involvement. Strong preference is given to seniors. Underclassmen who are interested in the program should contact the office before applying. More information and the application for the 2019-2020 school year can be found at <https://www.schatz.senate.gov/services/internships>. Completed applications must be submitted before Sunday, September 8, 2019 at 6:00 pm HST.

University of Washington

Mon. 10/21 12:40 pm (pd. 6)

Nagoya University

Mon. 10/21 1:45 pm (pd. 7)

Colorado State University, Pueblo

Mon. 10/21 1:45 pm (pd. 7)

Scripps College

Tues. 10/22 11:00 am (pd. 4)

The New School

Tues. 10/22 1:10 pm (pd. 5)

Whittier College

Wed. 10/23 8:30 am (pd. 3)

The University of Melbourne

Wed. 10/23 8:30 am (pd. 3)

University of California, Los Angeles

Wed. 10/23 9:50 am (pd. 4)

New Mexico Military Institute

Wed. 10/23 11:00 am (pd. 5)

Mills College

Wed. 10/23 12:40 pm (pd. 6)

Syracuse University

Wed. 10/23 1:45 pm (pd. 7)

The George Washington University

Thurs. 10/24 8:45 am (pd. 1)

University of California, Merced

Thurs. 10/24 10:15 am (pd. 2)

Humboldt State University

Thurs. 10/24 12:45 pm (pd. 3)

NEX Military Family Hiring Day

The Navy Exchange is now hiring for the holidays! On September 13 and 14 from 8:00 am to 11:00 am the Navy Exchange will be doing on the spot interviews and on the spot hiring. For more information go to www.navyexchange.jobs

Biola University

Fri. 10/25 8:45 am (pd. 4)

Mount Saint Mary's University

Fri. 10/25 8:45 am (pd. 4)

Woodbury University

Fri. 10/25 10:15 am (pd. 5)

University of Hawaii at Hilo

Fri. 10/25 12:15 pm (pd. 6)

Baylor University

Fri. 10/25 1:30 pm (pd. 7)

New York Film Academy, Los Angeles

Mon. 10/28 11:00 am (pd. 3)

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Mon. 10/28 1:45 pm (pd. 7)

Occidental College

Tues. 10/29 11:00 am (pd. 4)

California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo

Tues. 10/29 1:10 pm (pd. 5)

Western Kentucky University

Wed. 10/30 9:50 am (pd. 4)

Portland State University

Thurs. 10/31 10:15 am (pd. 2)

Marist College

Fri. 11/1 1:30 pm (pd. 7)

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

Mon. 11/4 9:50 am (pd. 2)

More colleges to come...

Go to moanaluahs.org for more information!
