

Parent Community Networking Center

August 2019 Newsletter

Upcoming Events

- **August 2019**
 - August 1 – Meet & Greet 4-6 pm
 - August 5 – First Day of School!
 - August 21 - Welcome Back Assembly
 - August 23 - Birthday Book Registration Deadline
 - August 30 – Resource Pool Survey Deadline
- **September 2020**
 - September 18 – Wellness Day
 - September 20 – No School
 - September 27 – Moanalua High School Homecoming Parade



Parent Community Networking Center

Aloha and welcome back to an exciting new year! The Parent Community Networking Center (PCNC) focuses on family engagement which seeks to strengthen the partnership between families, school, and the community to improve student success.

This year promises to be filled with numerous opportunities for us to work together to support learning at home and at our school. I am the program coordinator and I look forward to meeting many of you throughout the year.

We always welcome volunteers at our school. Please feel free to contact me, by phone at 305-1600 (please leave a message) or by email at jodi.fujimoto@k12.hi.us if you have any questions or would like to sign up to help. *Me Ke Aloha Pumehana!*



Birthday Book Program

Birthday Book Participation forms will be going home soon. Sign your child up to celebrate his/her birthday by getting a book or the Library's circulating collection. It will be a "healthy" gift that keeps on giving and will provide reading pleasure to students at our school even after your child has gone on to middle school. Birthday participants will be recognized each month and will have their names and pictures on the book they select.

Celebrate your child's birthday while providing a lasting contribution to our school. Fill out your child's form and turn it in to his/her teacher by Friday, August 23, 2019.

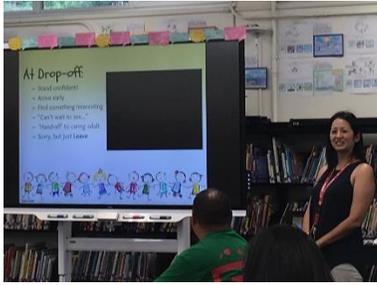
Parent Resource Pool Survey



Get involved at our school! Sign up to help at any of our events, help on a daily basis in your child's classroom, become a translator for our ELL program, or support classes through clerical duties. We need volunteer support in many capacities. Make a difference in your child's education and become a PCNC Champion.

The Parent Resource Pool Survey will be going home this month. Please fill out and return it to your child's teacher by Friday, August 30th. Any questions or concerns? Please feel free to contact our PCNC Coordinator by email at Jodi.fujimoto@k12.hi.us or by phone at 305-1600.

But I Don't Wanna Go!



Orientation on August 5th.

Kindergarten parents from our school were provided with concrete suggestions and ideas on what to expect with separation for parents and children and ways to help with transition into a new school. This session aimed to help parents and kindergarteners successfully adjust to school.

Watch for information on more SBBH sessions throughout the year.

Thank you to Megan Chin from our Central District SBBH office for doing a wonderful job presenting, “But I Don’t Wanna Go!” following our K



**St. Philomena Church – Thank you to the parishioners of St. Philomena Church for once again generously donating school supplies to our school.*

*We appreciate your continual support and will make good use of the supplies throughout the year. *McDonald’s Salt Lake – Thank you for donating 10% off key charms to our teachers. It is always nice to know you are appreciated and your thoughtful gesture means so much to us. *Sheryl Claybrooke – Mahalo for donating paper towels to our school. Most people take this sort of thing for granted, however, we sure do use a lot of it and we greatly appreciate your consideration.*

Homework Help

Playing a supporting role

To get the most out of homework, your youngster needs to do it himself. If you provide too many answers, teachers won’t know where your child needs help. But you can offer the support he needs. Try these ideas:

- Go over the instructions. Have your youngster explain the directions to you before he begins so you can make sure he understands them.
- If he gets stuck, ask questions that will lead him to an answer. For instance, if he asks, “Where was George Washington born? You might say, “Let’s read the chapter headings together and see if you can find out.” For an easy essay assignment, have him talk his ideas over with you before he starts writing.
- Review homework after your child finished, and check to make sure his work is neat and complete. If he does his homework in after-school child care or with a sitter, set aside a time to go over it later.
- Help your youngster set priorities. You might encourage him to do his hardest assignments first, when he is most focused. If he has a spelling quiz Friday, have him review his words each day and allow extra study time Thursday.
- When your child has a large project, help him break it into smaller pieces. Suggest that he write down each step and hang the list in his room. For a science project, he might spend two days choosing an idea, a week doing the experiment, and another week writing up his lab report.

Tip: If your youngster is struggling with assignments, contact his teacher. Together you can come up with suggestions to help him.