

KALAMA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL



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Important Dates

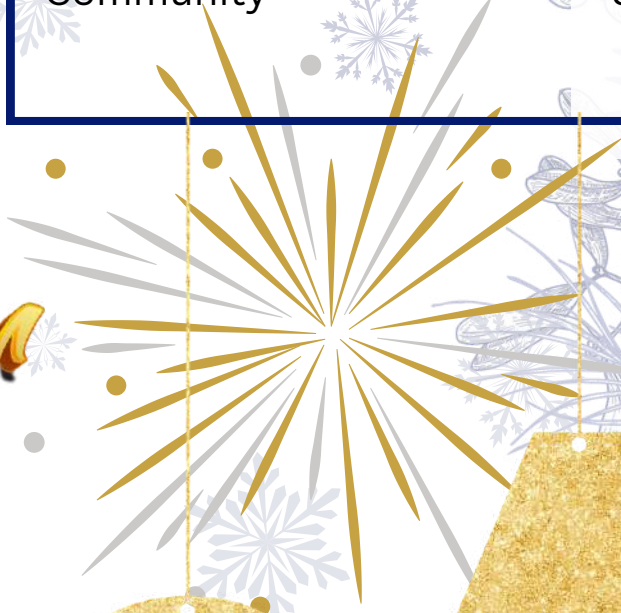
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| JAN | |
| 5 | Teacher Work Day/No students |
| 8 | Waiver Day/No students |
| 9 | ALL students return Tuesday Schedule (1234) |
| 15 | HOLIDAY/No School |
| 31 | Waiver Day/No students |

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*Happy
New Year*

2024





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ATTENDANCE

ATTENDANCE POLICY

TARDIES

1. Students must report to class by 7:50 a.m. daily.
2. Students arriving after 8:00 am, should report directly to the office for an admittance pass.
3. Student must report to class by the start time noted on the bell schedule, otherwise they will be considered tardy. Tardy sweeps may be conducted to remind students of the importance of being prompt. Students may be assigned detention for tardies.

ABSENCES

According to Department of Education (DOE) policy, students are considered absent if they are not in school for more than 1/2 of the school day. School ends at 2:00 on Mon, Tues, Thur, Fri and at 1:10 on Wed. Students will be marked ABSENT for the day if they report to school after 11:00.

1. Students are considered absent if they are not physically present in a scheduled class for at least half of the class period.

REMINDER

For the safety of the students, a photo ID is needed when picking up the student from school. The person picking up the student must be listed on the student's Emergency Card.

LUNCH PROGRAM

Lost, damaged, or stolen lunch cards must be replaced. First replacement is free.

Payments must be cash only. Students must have their lunch card with money in their account to be served lunch. Students must have an ID for lunch. Students without ID's may still eat lunch, but may be assigned detention.

- No student shall be denied lunch solely for failure to pay
- After the first 21 days, students can charge up to seven breakfasts and seven lunches (negative balance)
- School will communicate with families regarding low or negative balances and assist with free and reduced lunch meal applications

A large, colorful graphic of the year '2024' in a 3D, blocky font. The '2' is yellow, the first '0' is green, the second '2' is purple, and the '4' is pink. The graphic is surrounded by festive decorations like confetti and streamers.

2024

UNIFORM POLICY

Kalama Intermediate School has chosen to adopt a School Uniform Policy. Students attending Kalama are required to wear the uniform Monday through Friday. Students exempt from the Uniform Policy must have a completed and signed waiver in the office.

Those families pursuing a uniform waiver have 2 weeks to do so following the first day of enrollment. All students on waiver must be in compliance with the Kalama Intermediate School's Dress Code or risk losing the waiver.

Students must adhere to the following:

- Uniform must be on as soon as the student steps onto the campus grounds.
- Jacket, sweater, pullover, or flannel shirt are acceptable over the uniform. Outerwear needs to be appropriate, following dress code guidelines.
- Uniforms should not be altered.
- Uniform top can be any shirt representing an official Kalama class, club or sport. PE shirts can be used as a uniform top.
- Footwear is mandatory.



Optional Dress Days

Subject to the Kalama Dress Code, students will be allowed to wear regular attire (with specific guidelines) on the following days:

- Picture day
- Halloween - appropriate costume permitted
- Spirit Week - Daily Spirit Week attire
- 8th grade Banquet - Grade 8 only
- And other days as designated by Administration and Student Government

Dress Code Guidelines (for Free Dress Days and Uniform Waiver Students)

Tops:

- No drug/alcohol/gang/sexual references
- No demeaning slogans or pictures
- No tank tops, halter tops or spaghetti straps
- No exposed bras, bare backs, or stomachs

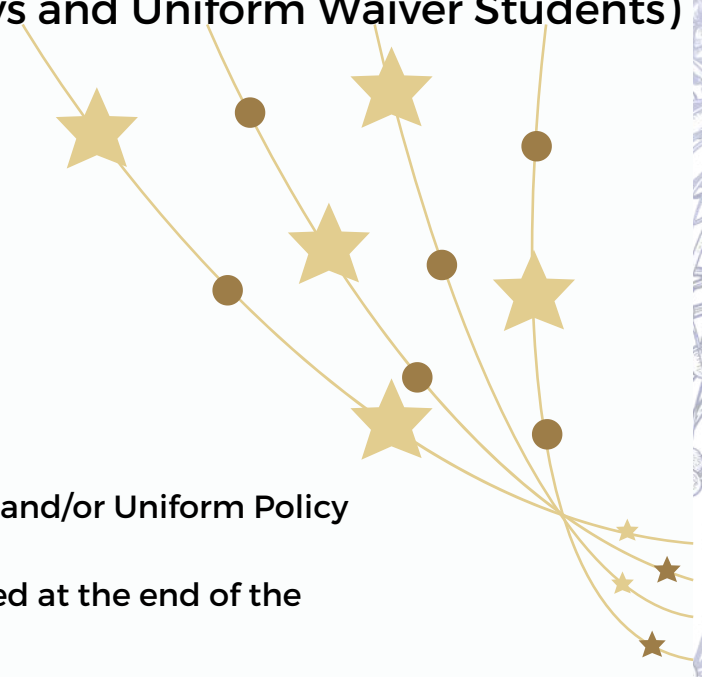
Bottoms:

- No visible underwear
- Appropriate fit

Possible Consequences for Violation of the Dress Code and/or Uniform Policy

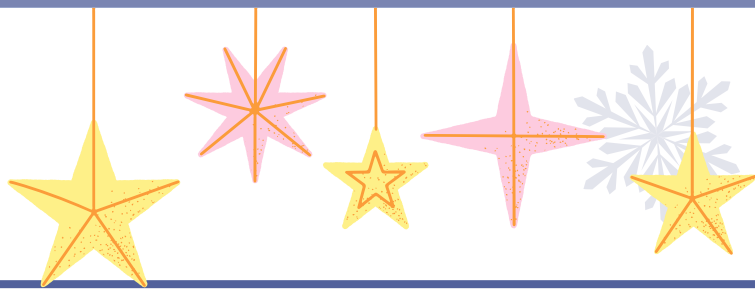
Students will:

- Be given a uniform loaner which needs to be returned at the end of the school day.
- Parent notified of the non-compliance.
- Be subject to having the item confiscated and returned at a later time.
- Be subject to other disciplinary measures such as detention.



BUS GUIDELINES

- 1. Distribution of Q3 Bus Passes:** Q3 bus passes are now being distributed and should be making their way home with your child. Please check with your child to ensure they have received their pass for the upcoming quarter.
- 2. Reminder Before Winter Break:** Ensure that your child picks up their Q3 bus pass before winter break, as the new quarter starts when they return in the new year.
- 3. Q3 Sign-Ups:** It's not too late to sign up for Q3! If you haven't done so already, you can still register your child for bus transportation during the third quarter.
- 4. Payment Information:**
 - If you apply online, please remember to pay online as well.
 - If you prefer a paper application, payments must be made with cash only.
- 5. First Come First Serve:** Bus passes are issued on a first-come, first-served basis. Be sure to complete the registration process promptly to secure your child's spot for the upcoming quarter.
- 6. Waitlisted Buses:** Buses that are currently waitlisted for Q3 are UR13 (Waiohuli) and UR18 (Haliimaile). If your child is assigned to one of these buses, please be patient, and we will notify you if a spot becomes available.



UNIFORM Loaner Program

We would like to remind all students who have borrowed uniform T-shirts to return them promptly. The return process is crucial for maintaining our uniform inventory for the upcoming academic year.

Exchange Procedure:

Bring the borrowed uniform T-shirt in clean and wearable condition.

Exchange it for your personal T-shirt.



Samuel E. Kalama Intermediate

SIGN UP FOR THE CROSS COUNTRY TEAM TODAY!



Link also posted in School News
Google Classroom
Join Code is h3en2s2



Winter Cross Country!
Practices will be on Mondays and Fridays, 2:00PM - 3:00PM.
The first practice is Monday, January 29; meets are on
February 17, 24, and March 2.

Sign up for our team.
All skill levels welcome!





Join Us!

GURL TEK

LOCATED AT: I-102

EVERY TUESDAY AT 2:50PM-4:50PM

**For girls, female presenting and non-binary students,
and, the local Native Hawaiian community.**

3D Printing!

**Make your own
stickers!**

**Play Minecraft and
more!**



Resumes in January.



FLAG FOOTBALL SIGNUPS

REGISTER NOW

SCAN THE QR CODE TO SIGN UP

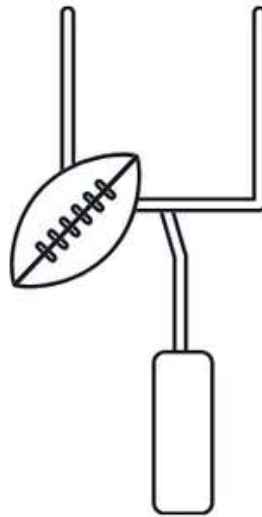
Season starts in January



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Games on Sunday

- February 25
- March 3
- March 10



Kalama School Lanyards
 Back in stock at the
 school office.
 \$1.00/each
 Great Stocking Stuffers

CREATING A VILLAGE

**TRAINING IN LIFE MANAGEMENT
SKILLS SUPPORTED BY TEEN
MENTORS!**



SCAN TO SEE FLIER

SCAN TO SIGN UP



**Learn life development skills such as budgeting,
nutrition, travel safety, finding a career, etc.**

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