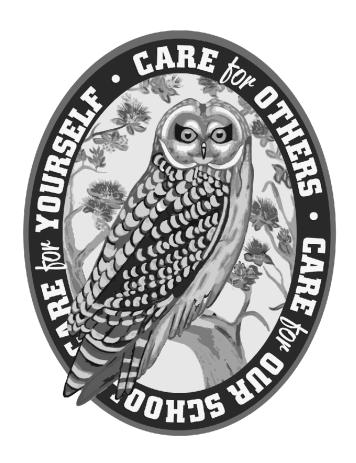
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Student and Parent Handbook 2023-2024

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Keonepoko Elementary School

Vision:

We are responsible for making Keonepoko a positive, respectful, safe place where we learn to think and learn to learn in order to be a valued contributor in any community with aloha and integrity.

Mission:

Our mission is for each child to achieve high academic and personal standards in a nurturing learning environment to become college, career, and citizenship ready.

General Learner Outcomes:

Self-Directed Learner - Kuleana Ihola

The ability to be responsible for one's own learning

Community Contributor – Mālama Kaiāulu

The understanding that it is essential for human beings to work together

Complex Thinker - Ho'okuano'o

The ability to demonstrate critical thinking and problem-solving

Quality Producer - Hana No'eau

The ability to recognize and produce quality performances and quality products

Effective Communicator - Kāka'ōlelo

The ability to communicate effectively

Effective and Ethical User of Technology – Kūpono Hana'ike

The ability to use a variety of technologies effectively and ethically

Teachers' Work Year - 1st Semester: August 1, 2023 - January 5, 2024; 2nd Semester: January 8, 2024 - May 31, 2024 Students' Work Year - 1st Semester: August 7, 2023 - December 21, 2023; 2nd Semester: January 8, 2024 - May 30, 2024 Week Student Teacher Su M W Th F Days Days July 2023 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 1st SEMESTER - 89 Student Days (Ends December 21) August 1: Teachers' First Day August 1-4: Teacher Work Days (no students) ust 7: Students' First Day August 18: Statehood Day 43 days q Septembe R September 4: Labor Day Ends October 6 R 26 27 a September 27: Open House October October 9-13: Fall Break October 16: PD Day (no students) November 2, 3, 6 & 7:Parent/Teacher Conf. Q2 November 10: Veterans Day (obs.) 46 days Ends 22 23 November 23: Thanksgiving November 24: School Holiday**** R q December 22-January 4: Winter Break cember 25: Christmas 2nd SEMESTER - 93 Student Days (Ends May 31) January 1: New Year's Day January 5: Teacher Workday (no students) January 15: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day January 26: KKP Summit (no students) February Я February 16: Teacher Institute 47 days February 19: Presidents' Day R March March 15 March 18-22: Spring Break*** March 25: PD (no students) March 26: Kuhio Day я q March29: Good Friday Q4 46 day: May 31 R May 27: Memorial Day May 31: Last Day for Teachers June Approved October 21, 2021 ^2 Instructional days ^^The employer may OFFICIAL STATE HOLIDAYS: 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR assign up to 6 additional shall be converted to a Statehood Day: August 18, 2023 New Year's Day: January 1, 2024 non-student day for hours, in half hour blocks September 4, 2023 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day: January 15, 2024 school planning and (an "equivalent day") for Veterans Day (observed): November 10, 2023 Presidents' Day February 19, 2024 collaboration. training and meetings Prince Jonah Kubio Kalanjanaole Day: beyond the teacher's Thanksgiving Day: November 23, 2023 March 26, 2024 Christmas Day: December 25, 2023 Good Friday: March 29, 2024 regular work day. Memorial Day May 27, 2024

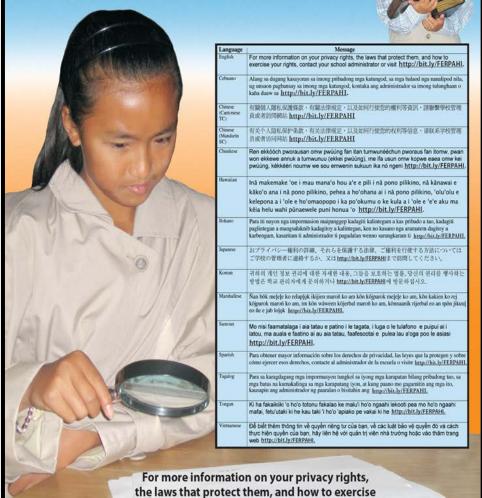
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ANNUAL NOTIFICATION OF

PRIVACY RIGHTS

Know your privacy rights as they apply to

- Student record information
 Directory information
- Surveys and other information collection
- Military recruitment information



your rights, contact your school administrator or visit http://bit.ly/FERPAHI

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Parent Involvement Policy

- Parents and Keonepoko Elementary staff will share the responsibility for educating the children.
- Keonepoko Elementary will provide parents with meaningful opportunities to participate in their child's education at home and at school.
- Keonepoko Elementary will provide opportunities for parents to be involved in the
 planning, reviewing, and recommending improvement of programs through participation in
 the School Community Council (SCC) meetings.
- Keonepoko Elementary will connect families with community resources to continue parent awareness and learning.
- Keonepoko Elementary staff and parents will work together to implement <u>The Hawai'i</u>
 Content and Performance Standards and Common Core State Standards.

Title 1: Family/Student/School Compact

• AS A PARENT/GUARDIAN, I WILL:

- See that my child is punctual and attends school regularly.
- Support the school in maintaining proper discipline.
- Set aside time to read with your child for at least 20 minutes daily.
- Model reading by reading my own materials.
- Actively become involved by attending meetings, conferences, and parent sessions.
- Communicate concerns to my child's teacher.

• AS A STUDENT, I WILL:

- Attend school regularly.
- Come to school with the necessary materials and be ready to learn.
- Follow school rules of student conduct.
- Follow the General Learner Outcomes (GLOs).

AS A SCHOOL, WE WILL:

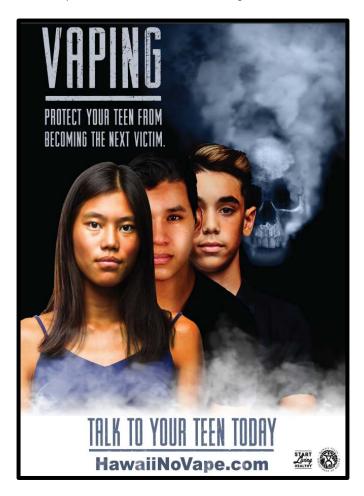
- Provide rigorous, relevant instruction through <u>The Hawaii Content and Performance</u>
 <u>Standards and Common Core State Standards</u> in a safe and nurturing learning environment.
- Be supportive and develop positive relationships with the students and families.
- Provide necessary assistance to parents to help their children be successful.
- Provide an environment that allows for positive communication between teachers, parents, and students.

Drug-Free School Statement

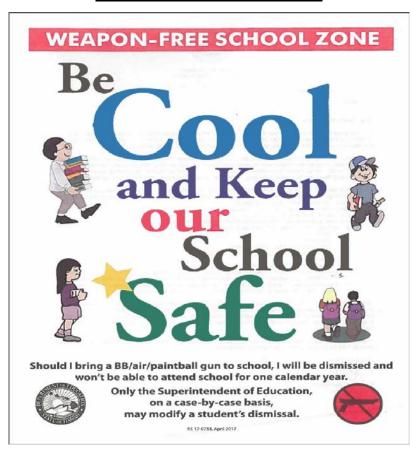
All students and staff in Hawaii public schools are prohibited from participating in any activity relating to the unlawful manufacture, distribution, possession, promotion, use, or sale of illicit substances on the school campus or during any school-sponsored activity. The possession, use, or sale of drug paraphernalia is also prohibited.

Tobacco Free School System, Chapter 31

Effective September 01, 1993, smoking and other use of tobacco products shall be prohibited at all times, including the following: On public school campuses, school vehicles, and off-campus sites under the operational control of the principal or designee and except as part of bond-fide classroom instruction or theatrical production approved by the principal. In all buildings and facilities, or portions thereof, which are assigned to the district and state offices of the Department of Education and which are under the supervision of the District Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents, the Superintendent of Education, or their designees.



Hawai'i Gun-Free Schools Act



Opening and Dismissal Information



Opening Time

Daily - **7:55am**

Dismissal Times

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri – **2:10pm**Wednesday – **1:20pm**

Before and After School Supervision

A minimal amount of adult supervision is available before and after school. Therefore, we highly recommend that children arrive at school **NO EARLIER than 7:00 am** and be picked up **NO LATER than 2:30 pm (M, T, Th, F) and 1:40 pm (W).** Police will be called for children left after **4:00 pm.** Every child should be aware of transportation arrangements before the start of the day.

Kindergarten Registration

If you have a child that was born between August 1, 2017, & July 31, 2018, or knows of a friend or relative's child that was born between August 1, 2017, & July 31, 2018, they need to be registered as soon as possible for school. Original birth certificate, Pupil Health Card (Form 14), and verification of residence are required in order to register.

Telephone & Address

To assist the school in contacting parents in case of an emergency, your current phone and address are critical. Parents must provide at least one emergency phone contact other than their own phone number. It is also important that **emergency contacts and phone numbers are kept current**. Two emergency cards per student are required. One is for the office and the other is for the health room. Please inform the office of any changes in parent and/or emergency contact information during the year by completing a **student demographic change form** which is available in the main office. This information is very important so you can be contacted in case of illness or emergency.

Cellular Device Policy

Students are discouraged from bringing cellular devices to school. However, if it is necessary to have one (e.g. at a bus stop), it will be the sole responsibility of the parent and student. The school WILL NOT be liable for lost, stolen or damaged devices. Students are required to have a permission form on file in order to have a cellular device on campus. Permission forms are available from the school office.

- When on campus, cellular devices may only be used in the main office.
- Cellular devices must be left "OFF" and may not be used or taken out during the school day.
- Students may not send/receive text messages while on campus.
- If the cellular device rules are not followed, the device will be confiscated, and parents will be notified to pick up the device from the school office.

Student Internet Use Guidelines

The Hawaii State Department of Education (HIDOE) allows the use of the Internet and Web 2.0 applications or tools to improve instruction and student outcomes within the following guidelines.

Student use of the school unit's computers, networks, and Internet services is a privilege, not a right. Unacceptable use/activity, or any other non-compliance with these guidelines, is considered a "Class B" offense under the Hawaii Administrative Rules (Title 8: Department of Education, Chapter 19: Student Misconduct) and may result in suspension or cancellation of privileges as well as additional disciplinary and/or legal action. The principal shall have final authority to decide whether a student's privileges will be denied or revoked.

Chapter 19 and other applicable HIDOE rules and school rules shall apply when students access the Internet. Internet use and access shall be for school and/or educational purposes. Student contributions to sites are representative of the Hawaii State Department of Education. Therefore, all information provided is expected to meet professional standards for communication and model Common Core State Standards and Hawaii Content shall be limited to information that is appropriate to the educational mission of HIDOE.

Student Access To Devices

At the beginning of the year, students will be provided with a device to use at school. Students will not share their devices with other students and will be responsible for maintaining the device assigned to them.

Student Inappropriate Content Guidelines:

All assigned student devices are monitored by instructors and staff. If a student is found viewing inappropriate content, it will be immediately reported to instructors and administrators for review. Inappropriate content is defined as websites, images, and games that are explicitly directed at adults.

Student Device Breakages:

If an assigned student device is broken, a review will immediately be made by administrators and may result in device repair costs by the parent.

Contraband

Contraband is defined as any item that is prohibited from possession or use on school premises because of disruption, the potential for bodily injury, and/or other undesirable reasons. Contraband items include but are not limited to, the following:

Dice, toys, and games	Portable radios/speakers	Silly bands or putty
E-cigarettes	Roller blades/skates/	Candy/junk
	Heelys/rolling shoes	food/gum/Sunflower seeds
Matches/lighters	Sports equipment	Soda/Energy Drinks with high
Playing cards/trading cards	Personal earbuds/headphones	sugar and caffeine contents

Keonepoko Elementary School and staff will not be responsible for lost/damaged contraband items brought to campus. Large sums of money and expensive jewelry should not be brought to school, nor will the school be responsible for the loss/damage of these items.

Administration may hold contraband items until the end of the quarter or semester and may be subject to disciplinary action.



Challenge 5: Strive for less than 5

Let's work together to give our students a brighter future that starts with coming to school every day and on time. We are encouraging our students to meet the attendance challenge. Challenge 5 focuses on both community-based and school-based strategies to encourage all students to strive for less than five absences – excused or unexcused.

How families can help students meet the challenge:

- Make sure your children keep a regular bedtime and establish a morning routine.
- Lay out clothes and pack backpacks the night before.
- Ensure your children go to school every day unless they are truly sick.
- Vacations are highly discouraged when school is in session, as they disrupt the continuity of your child's learning. Absences due to vacations will be marked unexcused.
- Extended absences for two weeks or longer may result in your student being disenrolled from school.
 Parents will be required to re-enroll students upon their return.
- Schedule doctor's appointments during school breaks or after school hours.
- Develop backup plans for getting to school if something comes up. Call on a family member, neighbor, or another parent to take your child to school.
- The school day is full of learning opportunities. Avoid taking your child out of school early or bringing
 them in excessively late. Students who leave before or arrive after 11 am are counted as absent for
 the day.
- Talk to teachers and counselors for advice if your children feel anxious about going to school or if you have difficulty getting your child to school.

How the school can help students meet the challenge:

- Classrooms receive incentives for having 5 days of perfect attendance.
- Keep families informed of individual student's attendance through School Messenger, letters, phone
 calls, home visits, and team meetings.
- Students are invited to participate in the Sunshine Club. An adult mentor will check in daily with the student to encourage positive attendance habits, set goals, and celebrate improved attendance.
- Activities to recognize attendance such as Water Day, Perfect Attendance Luncheon, and Perfect Attendance Awards.
- Coordination with community partners to help support families.

Public schools' attendance policy is governed by state law and Board Policy 4140: Compulsory School Attendance Policy. It states: "The Department of Education shall make every effort to ensure student school attendance in accordance with the compulsory attendance law. "The State of Hawaii's compulsory attendance law (Hawaii Revised Statutes 302A-1132) can be viewed at https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/hrscurrent/Vol05 Ch0261-0319/HRS0302A/HRS 0302A-1132.HTM

The Hawaii Department of Education defines chronically absent as missing 15 or more school days in a year. Students who are chronic absentees may be referred to Family Court. Pursuant to H.R.S. 571-11(2), Family Court can place a child under jurisdiction for truancy if the child is not attending school or is not receiving the educational services required by law.

*Please make note that the Hawai'i State Department of Education policy makes NO DISTINCTION between excused and unexcused absences – absent means "not physically present." Keonepoko will allow adjustments (excused absences) for the following, per the

Positive Behavioral Intervention & Support (PBIS)

At Keonepoko Elementary, our staff helps all students achieve important social and learning goals through PBIS.

PBIS is a school-wide approach to creating a positive and safe climate in which students can learn and grow. Students learn behavior expectations and what it looks like and sounds like in all areas of our school. PBIS focuses on what students should do; for example, "Use quiet or soft voices when classes are in session", instead of focusing on and promoting what students should not do.

RULES AND EXPECTATIONS

Keonepoko Elementary utilizes the 3Cs (Care for yourself, Care for others, Care for our school) to set clear expectations for all students in all settings. Refer to the matrix on page 13. Throughout the school year, remind your child of the 3Cs so (s)he can have a socially and academically successful year.

REINFORCEMENT AND FOLLOW UP

Students who demonstrate the 3Cs earn a Maika'i Buck. Every week the Maika'i Cart visits each grade level and students are able to redeem them for a prize. Following the school expectations will also be acknowledged in other ways – Pueo Awards, positive notes, and celebrations.

Students who are unable to demonstrate the 3Cs may be supported in the following ways:

- A reminder and opportunity to practice the appropriate behavior
- The teacher will have a conference with the student
- A call home to parent/guardian
- Referral to a counselor for follow up
- Referral for assistance

If a student is continuously unable to demonstrate the 3Cs and other school/classroom rules, an Incident Report will be written and given to administration for follow-up. A Request for Assistance may be made to the school Intervention Team to provide additional support to the student.

General Behavior Guidelines

When a student misbehaves in school, it is usually because (s)he:

- Has forgotten the rules
- Does not know the rules
- Operates under differing values or beliefs outside of school
- Has poor judgment in dealing with specific situations

Discipline is then viewed as part of the educational process as a problem-solving activity. A student is helped to be aware of the wrongdoing, to accept the natural or logical consequences of his/her behavior, and then learn to be an effective, responsible individual by:

- Learning problem-solving skills
- Learning when and how to use those skills to prevent problems
- Learning alternatives to choose from in decision-making choices

Responsibilities

Administration

The administration is responsible for maintaining school safety and order as well as for the personal welfare of all people and their personal property on campus. The administration will help the teacher, counselor, staff, student, and parent determine the best course of action in cases involving student misbehavior and corrective discipline.

Teacher

The teacher is responsible for student management that focuses on positive and preventative strategies, which leads to growth toward self-discipline. The teacher should integrate preventative measures into daily lessons. The teacher is responsible for establishing behavioral expectations and consequences. The teachers' will maintain communication with parents. The teacher will submit a Request for Assistance if additional support is needed.

Counselor

The counselor is responsible for helping students make satisfactory academic, social, and emotional adjustments in school. The counselor shall supplement and extend the counseling and guidance services of the teacher by coordinating and implementing a school counseling and guidance program. The counselor shall also communicate concerns to parents by providing supportive assistance.

Parent

The parent is responsible for providing a stable, nurturing home environment that supports the student's self-esteem and moral development. In addition, the parent will actively reinforce and encourage Keonepoko's 3Cs in the home, school, and community environments.

Student

The student is responsible for being a productive member of the Keonepoko school community by following the 3Cs: Care for Yourself, Care for Others and Care for our School. The student will be more successful by their willingness to take responsibility for learning and behavior.

Keonepoko Elementary Expectations

School	Care for yourself	Care for others	Care for our
Expectations	Care for yourself	Care for others	
Classroom	- Be a self-directed learner - Active Listening - Use your time wisely - Complete tasks with quality - Keep self & area clean - Keep trying	- Keep hands & feet to yourself - Speak politely to peers & adults - Help & encourage others - Work together to solve problems - Use kind words - Respect others belongings - Respect personal space	- Take care of classroom property - Put everything back in its place - Clean up after yourselves
Lanais, Walkways, & Stairwells	- Walk - Stay in line - Use quiet or soft voices when classes are in session - Stop & look for cars when crossing the fire lane - Keep feet on the ground	- Watch for others when walking - Older students be mindful of the younger students - Stay in your line - Respect personal space - Use kind words	- Move quietly from place to place - Stay on the sidewalk - Keep areas free from graffiti - Follow the "keep right" traffic pattern when moving around campus
Playground & Play court	- Keep hands & feet to yourself - Play safe - Active listening - Pick up after yourself	- Return the equipment to the proper place - Use encouraging words - Welcome others to play with you - Keep your hands & feet to yourself - Use kind words - Respect personal space	- Follow the rules on the playground equipment - Leave the trees, fence, plants & grass alone - Take care of equipment
Restrooms	- One person in each stall - Wash your hands - Throw away your rubbish - Use bathrooms and return to class	- Keep floors dry - Allow others privacy when using the restroom - Be quiet - Flush the toilet - Keep hands & feet to yourself - Use kind words - Respect personal space - Respect privacy	- Put the toilet paper in appropriate places (toilet/trash can) - Keep restrooms free from graffiti - Turn water off after use - Only use what you need - Keep walls free and clean from marks
Cafeteria	- Eat all your healthy lunch - Clean up your area - Use manners - When in line, keep your hands & feet to yourself - Use the water fountains properly - Use a quiet voice	- Use your quiet voices - Appropriate conversation - Eat only your food - Be mindful of others when using the water fountain - Follow cafeteria procedures - Use kind words - Respect personal space	- Clean up after yourself - Be helpful when it is your turn to be a lunch monitor - Wait in line nicely
Library & Computer Lab	- Use your quiet voice - Active listening - Use your time efficiently - Be a self-directed learner - Stay on task	- Respect personal space - Listen & follow directions - Use kind words	- Take care of the books and equipment - Use books & computers appropriately
Assemblies / Performances	- Keep hands & feet to yourself - Pay attention - Active listening - Sit properly / quietly throughout the entire assembly	- Sit quietly so others can hear - Applaud politely - Respect personal space - Show respect to performers - Be an active participant when asked - Use kind words - Respect personal space	- Follow directions when entering & departing
Buses & Waiting Areas	- Wait patiently in line - Use indoor voices while waiting - Remain seated on the bus - Have your bus passes ready every day	- Keep hands & feet to yourself - Take care of the younger students - Speak politely to adults - Follow all bus safety rules - Use kind words - Respect personal space	- Put rubbish in trash can - Keep the bus clean and graffiti free - Walk in the bus loading zone

Department of Education Chapter 19 Guidelines

The following rules and discipline guidelines are based on the Department of Education's Chapter 19, "Student Misconduct, Discipline, School Searches and Seizures, Reporting Offenses, Police Interviews and Arrests, and Restitution for Vandalism" (Rev. of RS 10-0462), October 2009 by the Board of Education. (Refer to the Chapter 19 booklet for a complete explanation) The administration will use these policies to handle student misconduct and school rules violations.

OFFENSES

CLASS A offenses:

(Prohibited by state law)

- (A) Assault;
- (B) Burglary;
- (C) Dangerous instrument or substance; possession or use of:
- (D) Dangerous weapons; possession or use of;
- (E) Drug paraphernalia; possession, use, or sale of;
- (F) Extortion;
- (G) Fighting;
- (H) Firearms; possession or use of;
- (I) Homicide;
- (J) Illicit drugs; possession, use, or sale of;
- (K) Intoxicating substances: possession, use, or sale of:
- (L) Property damage or vandalism;
- (M) Robbery;
- (N) Sexual offenses; or
- (O) Terroristic threatening.

CLASS B offenses:

(Prohibited by state law)

- (A) Bullying; means any written, verbal, graphic, or physical act that a student of group of students exhibits toward other particular student(s)
- (B) Cyberbullying; means electronically transmitted acts that a student has exhibited toward another student or employee which causes mental or physical harm to the other student(s) or school personnel and is sufficiently severe, persistent or pervasive that it creates an intimidating, threatening or abusive educational environment, whether done on or off school campus.
- (C) Disorderly conduct;
- (D) False alarm;
- (E) Forgery;
- (F) Gambling;
- (G) Harassment;
- (H) Hazing;
- Inappropriate or questionable uses, or both of internet materials or equipment, or both;
- (J) Theft; or
- (K) Trespassing.

CONSEQUENCES

CLASS A AND CLASS B Guidelines

- Notification of parents
- Detention or suspension
- Notification of police
- Dismissal

These consequences are applicable to any violation committed under these classes regardless of the first, second or subsequent offenses.

ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY

Students found guilty of drug/alcohol violations will be subject to serious discipline procedures. According to Act 205. See page 19-19 of the Chapter 19 Guidelines.

GUN-FREE SCHOOLS ACT OF 1995

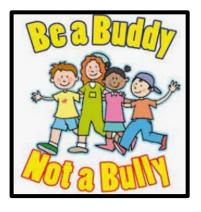
U.S. Congress enacted the Gun-Free Schools Act of 1995 (Act 148). This act indicates that any student who is found to be in possession of a firearm in school or at a school sponsored function can be excluded from attending school for not less than one year. See page 19-19 of the Chapter 19 Guidelines

OFFENSES	CONSEQUENCES
CLASS C offenses may include: (Prohibited by DOE rules) (A) Abusive language; (B) Class cutting; (C) Insubordination; (D) Laser pen/laser pointer; possession or use of; (E) Leaving campus without consent; (F) Smoking or using tobacco substances; or (G) Truancy	Reprimand and warning from teacher/counselor Confer privately with student(s) and teacher to resolve the problem Document on minor incident log Notify parent/guardian Referral to administration Administrator may impose one or more of the following: -Counsel/warn/reprimand -Notify parent/guardian -Impose detention -Impose crisis suspension/suspension -Impose other administration consequences.
CLASS D may include: (Prohibited by school rules) (A) Contraband; possession or use of; (B) Minor problem behaviors; or 1) Defiance/disrespect/noncompliance Disruption" means student engages in low-intensity, inappropriate disruption 2) Dress code violation 3) Inappropriate language 4) Physical contact 5) Property misuse means student engages in low-intensity misuse of property 6) Tardy (C) Other school rules.	Reprimand and warning from teacher/counselor Confer privately with student(s) and teacher to resolve the problem Document on minor incident log Notify parent/guardian Refer to counselor for follow up Referral to administration The school WILL NOT take responsibility for contraband items lost, damaged or stolen. Administration may impose one or more of the following: -Counsel/warn/reprimand -Notify parent/guardian -Confiscate items -Impose Detention -Impose Crisis suspension/suspension -Impose other administration consequences.

Bullying Prevention

What is BULLYING?

Keonepoko Elementary has adopted the following definition of bullying below. Our students and teachers continue to learn and use this definition. We are asking parents and our community to understand this definition, so we may all have a common language of bullying.



Bullying is when someone repeatedly and purposely says or does mean or hurtful things to another person who has a hard time defending him or herself.

To be considered bullying, the behavior must be aggressive and include:

- An imbalance of power: Kids who bully use their power- such as physical strength, access
 to embarrassing information, or popularity-- to control or harm others.
- Repetition: Bullying behaviors happen more than once or have the potential to happen more than once.

The administration will determine appropriate disciplinary actions based on the following factors.

- The intention of the offender
- Nature and severity of the offense
- Impact of the offense on others including:
 - Whether the action was committed by an individual or a group of individuals, such as a gang.
- Age of the offender
- Repeat offender status of the student

Keonepoko Elementary Upstander Pledge

- 1. I will not bully others.
- 2. I will help students who are bullied.
- 3. I will include students who are left out.
- 4. I will tell an adult at school and at home if we know somebody is being bullied.

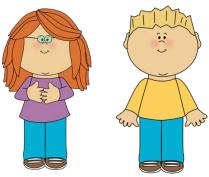
School Uniform Dress Policy

The intent of the policy is to foster a sense of school identity, pride, and unity. Keonepoko Elementary School t-shirts promote a positive and safe school environment, provide a viable alternative to the high cost of student clothing, and encourage positive student behavior.

Students are expected to abide by the policy Monday through Thursday. School shirts shall not be altered, and undergarments should not be visible. Any other t-shirt with the Keonepoko Elementary logo and/or design will be allowed. Fridays will be "free dress day". "Free Dress" apparel must meet the Keonepoko Elementary dress code. See 1-7 below.

- 1. The types of clothing listed that may **not** be worn to school are:
 - Those that promote/encourage inappropriate behavior
 - Those with inappropriate pictures, graphics, and language
 - Those that are gang-related or could be construed as gang-related
 - Those that promote discrimination
 - Clothing that reveals the midriff, cleavage, buttocks, or underwear may not be worn (e.g. swimsuit tops, strapless tops, spaghetti strap tops, sheer/see-through material, cut shirts that show midriff, etc.).
- 2. Tank tops or dresses must have a one-inch strap.
- 3. Shorts or skirts must be longer than the middle finger when arms hang down.
- 4. Hats, caps, beanies, hoods, and sunglasses may not be worn at school.
- 5. Valuable jewelry, large chains, hoop earrings, designer purses, etc., should be left at home. The school will not be responsible for damages or loss.
- 6. Makeup is only allowed for school performances and productions.
- 7. Appropriate footwear must be worn.
 - Slippers, shoes, or sandals.
 - Shoes with wheels are contraband (Heelys, etc.)
 - Footwear may not have heels higher than one inch.

Noncompliance: Each failure to comply with school dress policy will be considered an act of insubordination and documented, which could result in disciplinary action. Students who are not dressed in a school shirt Monday-Thursday will be provided a Keonepoko uniform t-shirt for the day.



General Information

Report Cards

Report cards are distributed at the end of each quarter. Students may be retained if they are not meeting Hawai'i State Standards at their grade level.

Conferences

Parent/Teacher Conferences are held throughout the year. Conferences are scheduled for all students during the first quarter. Parents are encouraged to request a conference with their child's teacher whenever a problem or situation needs to be discussed.

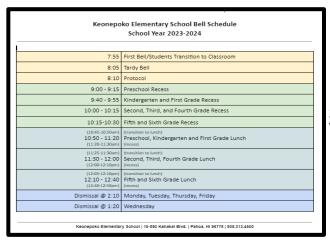
Case Discussion Meetings are scheduled to address issues that may interfere with a student's progress. Parents are invited and encouraged to participate in these meetings as part of the team to problem-solve concerns such as attendance, behavior, or academics. Case Discussion meetings are arranged by the SSDS (Student Support & Data Specialist) as part of the school's request for assistance.

Bell Schedule

Keonepoko Elementary School believes face-to-face instruction is the best instructional model for our students. To do this, we strive to balance the need for safety and social distancing with the learning needs of our students.

FACE-TO-FACE INSTRUCTION: Students will be on campus to receive instruction.

- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 7:55 am-2:10 pm
- Wednesday 7:55 am-1:20 pm





Keonepoko School Community Council (KSCC)

Keonepoko SCC was established as a forum to exchange ideas about improving student achievement. The council's role is to participate in the process that ensures that the needs of all students are addressed in the education plan for Keonepoko. Meeting announcements are sent out through our school messenger and posted on the school marquee and the Keonepoko Elementary School website. The public is welcome to attend.

Health Information

Health Aide

The school Health Aide plays a vital role in the care of our students at Keonepoko Elementary. The Health Aide cares for students who become ill at school or sustain an injury on campus. The Health Aide decides if a child will remain on campus, be sent home, or if 911 services are required.

REMEMBER: The health room is not a clinic. Consult your family physician when a medical diagnosis and treatment are needed. Accurate phone numbers are a must in order to ensure timely parent contact.

Medical Information and Health Room

Parents should inform the school of any medical problems a child might have (asthma, allergies, etc.). This information should be listed on the student's emergency cards. School staff is not permitted to administer any type of medication (aspirin, ointment, cough syrup, etc.). A student who contracts a contagious disease or condition (Pink Eye, Chicken Pox, etc.) should remain home until such time that it's corrected. When returning to school, the student should bring the doctor's note to the office before going to class.

Special Dietary Needs

If your child has allergies to dairy or food products, please see our health aide for a J1 form. This form must be completed by your child's doctor and returned to the health aide. Before our cafeteria staff can modify a child's meal, the J1 form must be approved by the DOE School Services Branch. Effective July 1, 2010, under the jurisdiction of the School Food Services Branch (SFSB), schools cannot substitute a non-dairy beverage for fluid milk to students without recognized disabilities for the following reasons:

- Juice and water do not qualify as a substitute for fluid milk.
- Currently, qualified milk substitutes (such as lactose-free) are unavailable in single-serve, half-pint containers
- Reimbursement can only be claimed for meals containing a beverage substitute nutritionally
 equivalent to fluid milk (under the Offer vs. Serve option, a meal without fluid milk may be
 reimbursed).

Pediculosis (ukus)

The perception of ukus in the past was magnified by the way children were handled who had them. Importantly, ukus do not transmit disease and should not be a reason for children to miss school or be shunned. The school health practice for ukus will include:

- Inspection by the school health aide of a student who may have ukus;
- Notification of the parent/guardian that the student has ukus;
- After parent is notified, the student will return to class where they will remain until the end of the school day, unless the parent opts to take their child home to begin treatment; and
- Provision of information on home treatment to the parent/guardian.



Health, Safety and Procedures

This section will provide an overview of the procedures Keonepoko Elementary School is taking to mitigate the risks presented by the COVID-19 situation.

Overall Wellness Expectations:

Students and staff must NOT come to school if they have any symptoms or signs of illness such as:

- Feverish or unusually warm (flushed cheeks)
- Coughing/Sneezing/Sore Throat
- Shortness of breath/Difficulty breathing
- Headache/Stomachache/Nausea/Muscle pain/Unusual fatigue
- New loss of taste or smell

If a student is experiencing symptoms of respiratory illness or influenza, he/she should take the following precautions:

 Isolation and exclusion from school should be continued for 5 days after illness onset or until 24 hours after the resolution of fever and respiratory symptoms.

COVID 19-CASES

If a student or staff member is diagnosed with COVID-19, the school shall follow the procedures laid out in the Hawaii State Department of Education *Return to Learn: School Reopening Plan Health and Safety Handbook.*

Student Contact Information

Your current phone and address are critical to assist the school in contacting parents in case of an emergency. Parents must provide at least one emergency phone contact other than their own phone number. It is also important that <u>emergency contacts and phone numbers are kept current</u>. Two emergency cards per student are required. One is for the office and the other is for the health room. Please inform the office of any changes in parent and/or emergency contact information during the year by completing a <u>student demographic change form</u> which is available in the main office. This information is very important so you can be contacted in case of illness or emergency.

Before Coming To School

- Parents/Guardians should perform a wellness check each morning at home to determine if their child should attend school.
- Please keep your child home and seek doctor consultation if needed.

Cafeteria Information

Computerized Meal Tracker System

E-Triton is a computerized system of paying for school lunches designed to make things more convenient for students and their families and to keep a child's meal status confidential.

- A free breakfast and lunch meal is provided to all students through the Community Eligibility Provision.
- A meal account is opened for every child at Keonepoko Elementary School. This account is identified with an ID number and barcode. A \$5.00 fee for lunch cards needs to be replaced.
- Additional lunch entree \$2.00

Meal Times

Breakfast is served between 7:00 am-7:45 am, Monday through Friday.

Lunch is served 10:50 am-12:35 pm, Monday through Friday.

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Transportation / Student Pick-up

Morning Parent Drop-off

Families are asked not to drop off their children on campus before 7:00 am. Upon arrival, students will report directly to the cafeteria for breakfast.

- Parking is not available for parents during the drop-off period, so please refrain from coming to campus earlier than the 7:00 am drop-off time.
- Morning drop-off is in front of the cafeteria.
- Parents/Guardians will remain in their vehicles. For safety reasons, parents/guardians will
 not be permitted to enter any classrooms without prior administrative approval.

Afterschool Parent Pick-up

The official end time of school is 2:10 pm on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. The end time on Wednesdays is 1:20 pm.

- Students will be escorted by staff to their designated afternoon location. Parents/guardians will remain in their vehicles and drive through the fire lane.
- The pickup area is at the covered play court.
- For safety reasons, parents/guardians cannot wait for their child(ren) outside the classroom/on sidewalks/around campus.
- Students not picked up by 4:30 pm will be taken to the Pahoa Police Station.

Drop-Off / Pick-Up Traffic

- Cars should be entering and exiting Keonepoko Elementary at a slow and safe speed.
- Please pull up as far as possible as directed by staff on duty.
- Please show courtesy and respect to faculty and staff assisting with student drop-off and pick-up.

School Visitors & Early Pick-Up

Parents are always welcome to visit the school with prior administrative approval. For the protection of everyone and security in the school, it is required that any person entering the campus come directly to the office to sign the visitor sign-in sheet and obtain a visitor's pass. Parents picking up a student early must report to the office to sign them out and receive a student pass. Students may not bring personal visitors to school at any time.

Early Release Procedures:

- A parent who requests to early release their child from school may do so as long as they are in the office at least 10 minutes prior to the end of the school day. The school day ends at 2:10 on Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., and 1:20 PM on Wed.
- If you arrive after 2:00 PM on Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., or 1:10 on Wed., you will need to drive to the parent pick up line to retrieve your child.
- The office will call the classroom when a parent/guardian arrives to sign out and pick up a student and a student pass will be given to the parent.
- The parents/guardians SHOULD NOT go to the class to get the student on their own.
- If a student is picked up before 11:00, he/she will be marked absent for the day by the office.

 The student must be at school for at least half of the school day to be counted as present.

Bus Transportation

Bus transportation is available for students in Grades K-6 who live one mile or more from the school. All students must have a bus pass and will not be allowed on the bus without it. There is a \$5.00 fee for bus passes that must be replaced. Students may qualify for free bus rides if their parents meet the requirements. If requirements are not met, a fee schedule will be sent home. Application forms are distributed by the school. Forms ST-70 (Bus application), ST-71, and ST-72 are mandatory for all students and should be turned in promptly for processing. For concerns regarding students on the bus, please contact the school. For concerns regarding bus service, please call Robert's Student Transportation at (808) 961-6627. Parents and students are responsible for student behavior at the bus stop.

Students may only ride their assigned bus and get off on their designated bus stop. If a student needs to ride a different bus because of a special situation, the form CS-101 (Request for Students to Ride School Bus on a Space Available Basis) must be completed by the parent and approved <u>prior</u> to the change.

If a child is currently enrolled in school as a result of a Geographic Exception, he or she is entitled to remain in that school throughout the highest grade served by the school; however, the HIDOE <u>will not</u> provide mileage reimbursement or transportation options.

Students who attend schools or programs of choice are ineligible for transportation, including curb-to-curb transportation for students with disabilities. Schools or programs of choice are defined as:

- -Charter schools -Magnet schools or -Learning centers and
- -Schools outside of the students' home school attendance area, as determined by the student's legal residence.

This does not apply to students who are:

- -Programmatically placed by the IEP team.
- -Attending a conversion charter school designed as their home school based on their legal residence, or
- -Homeless and attending their school of origin.

Children Missing the Bus After School

Please instruct your children to go directly to the designated bus area when the afternoon bell rings. Should a child miss the bus, you will be contacted at the numbers indicated on the child's emergency card. Should the school be unable to contact you, others on the card will be called. Students will only be released to people listed on the emergency card. Students left on campus after 4:30 pm will be taken to the Pahoa Police Station.



Bus Safety Expectations & Rules

All students riding school buses shall abide by the following requirements.

At the designated school bus stops and while boarding, students shall:

- Be on time at the designated school bus stop to help keep the bus on schedule
- Stay off the road while waiting for the bus and conduct yourself in a safe manner while waiting
- Refrain from loud talking at bus stops which may disturb nearby residents
- Refrain from littering or defacing property at bus stops
- Line up in an orderly, single file and wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before attempting to board the bus
- Walk on the side of the road facing traffic to get to the bus stop if there are no sidewalks
- Not allowed to bring articles on the bus that may cause injury to passengers or carry on articles which cannot be stored safely
- Use the handrail and watch their step when boarding the bus

While on the bus, students shall:

- Keep hands and heads inside the bus at all times
- Refrain from loud talking and laughing which may divert the driver's attention and result in a serious accident
- Treat bus equipment as valuable furniture. Damage to seats, windows, and other
 equipment shall be paid for by the offender or the offender's parent
- No eating or drinking allowed on bus
- Refrain from tampering with the bus or any of its equipment
- Keep books, packages, coats, and all other objects out of the aisle
- Remain in the bus in case of a road emergency, unless directed to do otherwise by the bus driver
- Refrain from throwing anything out of the bus window
- Remain in their seat while the bus is in motion
- Refrain from smoking, drinking, gambling, fighting, or any other behavior that will endanger health or morals
- Obey the driver

Hawai'i Department of Education Bus Pass Procedures

Students are expected to display their bus pass (or render a bus coupon) to the bus driver upon demand. Failure to do so may result in disciplinary action and service disruptions as follows:

 Those who fail to display a valid bus pass in the afternoons may be required to obtain a temporary bus pass from the school office before boarding the bus. Repeat offenders will not be permitted to board the bus.

Bus Safety Expectations & Rules, Continued

The privilege of riding a school bus to school is extended to all Keonepoko Elementary School District students who meet the qualifications established by the State of Hawaii Student Transportation Services to ride a school bus. Improper conduct while riding the bus will result in denial of bus riding privileges for a period of time determined by administration or designee. The same rules apply to those students riding buses to and from school-sponsored activities. Under all conditions, the bus driver is in charge, and his or her rules are to be followed with guidance from the Bus Safety Expectations & Rules, which are listed on pg. 25 in this student/parent handbook.

The driver will fill out a Bus Incident Report. A copy will be sent home to the parent. The driver and student should make every attempt to solve problems on the bus. When a student's behavior continues to be disruptive and bus rules and regulations are not followed, this leads to safety concerns which could result in disciplinary actions that may include:

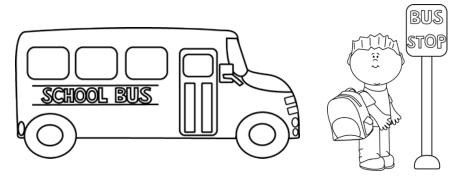
- Correction and student conference
- Detention
- Loss of Privilege
- Parent contact, conference
- Suspension from bus

When in the judgment of the bus driver, transportation director, and administration, the behavior by a rider is such that it becomes an immediate threat to the safety of other riders and/or the bus itself, the driver takes all necessary actions to ensure the safety of all riders. Fighting or severe physical hitting (punching, kicking, or similar behavior that may injure others) may be an automatic suspension from riding the bus transportation as determined by the bus driver, transportation director, and administration.

Regulations For Students Riding Buses

SAFETY is the prime responsibility of both driver and student; all these rules are directed towards getting students to and from school safely.

- 1. Keep hands, feet, objects, and negative comments to yourself while riding the bus.
- 2. Remain seated while the bus is in motion.
- 3. The bus is school property. If you damage it you will be responsible to pay for it.
- 4. Aisles must remain clear of passengers as well as property.
- 5. All bus incidents should be reported directly to the bus driver. Drivers will immediately report the incident to administration of any such action, and the parents will then be notified of the action taken.



URGENT Services Directory for Families

Police/Fire/Ambulance - 911

Police - Non-emergency/information and Complaints: 935-3311

ADDIT CURPORT CERVICES	J-3311
Adult Protective Services (DUS)	000 022 0020
Adult Protective Services/DHS:	
Hawaii Poison Control Center:	
CHILDREN SUPPORT SERVICES	1-800-222-1222
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Alu Like, Inc:	
BIASC (Big Island Substance Abuse Council):	
Child & Family Services	
Child Welfare Services/DHS-Statewide intake:	
Child Support Enforcement Agency:	
Community Services for Developmentally Disabled/DOH:	
DOH Counseling Services/Mental Health:	
DOH/Malama A. Hoopili Pono Prenatal Care:	
DOH/Public Health Nurse:	
Easter Seals Society:	
Food Basket Inc.:	
Hui Hoomalu (Foster Parent Information):	808-987-5988
Hawaiian Beaches Head Start:	808-965-3120
Hospice Program:	808-969-1733
Ke Ala Lokahi (remedies for domestic violence	
w/Hawaiian Cultural Perspectives):	808-935-4747
Neighborhood Place of Puna:	808-965-5550
Ohana Counseling Services:	808-935-4412
PATCH:	808-961-3169
SAVE (Sexual Assault Victims Empowerment)	
Turning Point for Families and ATV (Alternative to Violence):	808-969-7798
YWCA Healthy Start Program:	
YMCA Hawaii:	808-935-3721
EMERGENCY SHELTERS	
East Hawaii Coalition for the Homeless:	808-961-2559
Domestic Abuse Shelter:	808-959-8864
Salvation Army Family Intervention Services:	808-959-5855
HOSPITALS AND CLINICS	000 333 3033
Hilo Medical Center:	808-932-3000
Kea'au Family Health Center:	
Pahoa Family Health Center-Bay Clinic:	
OTHER AGENCIES	808-903-9711
Hawaii Cares-Suicide & Crisis Hotline:	1-800-753-6879
Hawaii Disability Rights Center:	1-800-882-1057
Legal Aid Society of Hawaii:	
Office of Housing & Community Development rental assistance:	
Aloha United Way:	
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