



MEMORANDUM

TO: Makua/Ohana

DATE: 08/29/2023

SUBJECT: KANAKA's Off Island Travel Policy
Effective Immediately

CC: file

FROM: Poo Hedy

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Aloha Makua:

I hope this memo finds you and your family in good health. I want to take a moment to address a matter of utmost importance regarding the safety and well-being of our students in light of the ongoing COVID-19 outbreak.

As we navigate these challenging times, it is crucial that we continue to prioritize the health and safety of our school community. We have observed a potential upswing in COVID-19 cases in various regions, and this is a reminder that we must remain vigilant and proactive in our approach to mitigate any potential spread within our school.

In particular, I'd like to draw your attention to our policy regarding off-island travel involving our students. While we understand the importance of travel and exploration, we also recognize the potential risks associated with COVID-19 transmission. Therefore, we kindly request your cooperation and adherence to the following precautions for the safety of our students, staff, and the broader school community:

1. **Pre-Travel COVID Test:** Prior to any off-island travel, we strongly encourage your child to take a COVID-19 test. This test should be conducted within 72 hours before departure. Please ensure that you keep a record of the test results.
2. **Test upon Return:** Upon your child's return from travel, we kindly request that they undergo another COVID-19 test. This test should be taken immediately upon arrival back on Kauai Island.
3. **Second Test Three Days Later:** To further ensure the safety of our community, we recommend that your child undergo a second COVID-19 test approximately three days after their return.
4. **Negative Test Results:** If all test results (pre-travel, immediate return, and three days later) are negative, your child may safely return to school.

These precautions are designed to provide us with a comprehensive understanding of the COVID-19 status and to minimize any potential risks associated with travel-related exposure. We understand that these measures may seem extensive, but they are necessary to ensure the safety of everyone in our school.

Please understand that our intention is not to discourage travel but rather to take responsible steps to keep our school environment as safe as possible. If you plan to have your child engage in off-island travel, we kindly request that you inform the Administration Office of your travel plans in advance so that we can provide any necessary support and keep track of potential exposures.

Your partnership in this effort is greatly appreciated, and we believe that by working together, we can continue to provide a safe and conducive learning environment for all our students. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

Thank you for your understanding and commitment to the well-being of our school community.