
Kea'au High School

The Cougar Connection

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Kea'au High School Vision

We will inspire change and create positive outcomes for students to achieve and succeed.

Kea'au High School Mission

We will challenge and motivate students to learn and succeed with PRIDE.

Kea'au High School does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, age, color

Aloha Students, Parents/Guardians and Community,

I know it is hard to believe but we are already into the month of February. Happy Valentine's Day to you all. We hope this can be the month of Love and getting along with each other. I hope you all enjoy the month and of course Valentines Day.

This is the midway in our 3rd Quarter so you all should be able to see how your child(ren) are progressing through our Infinite Campus app. If you do not have access please call our Registrar's office at (808) 313-3363 and they can get you guidance on how to access your account so you can see the grades. This is important as we do not have much more time to get them on track for Graduation and to move onto the next grade level.

Once again we will have our Parent/Community Walkthrough this Feb 23, 2023 from 9-11AM. If you are interested you can call our PCNC at (808) 313-3321 or just show up to the Administration Office at 9 and join us as we walk through the school and give you a chance to see what is going on in the classrooms and some history of the school.

Starting this month we will be calling you if our students do not show up with our authorized school Shirts. The students seem to think our loaners are a reason to not come with a shirt. We have run out of loaners as they do not come back, thus we will now need to call to ask you to bring them a shirt. We do this to keep those that do not belong on the campus off of our campus. We appreciate your assistance in keeping our school safe.

We thank you all for making sure our students are at school on time. We know this is important as when they leave us they have been taught this is one of the first things they will be let go for on a job, being late or not showing up for work. We appreciate all you can do to assist with that.

At the beginning of next month our school will be going through an accreditation process. This is done through the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). This is important as they help us make sure our diplomas are accredited for college purposes. We will ask you to assist us with this process so be on the lookout for a parent/community meeting. The WASC group will be here from March 6-9. Mahalo for any support you can give to us for this process.

I hope you all are doing well this year and we appreciate all you do so our students can access an excellent education here at Kea'au High School.

I look forward to a great month, and wish you all the best.

Aloha
Principal Cevallos

Notification of Privacy Rights

Know your privacy rights as they apply to 1) student record information; 2) directory information; 3) surveys and other information collection; and 4) military recruitment information. For more information on your privacy rights, the laws that protect them, and how to exercise your rights, contact your school administrator or visit: <http://ferpa.k12.hi.us>

Administration

Announcements



Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) Parent/Community Meeting at KHS
WASC (an organization providing accreditation of public and private schools, colleges, and universities) will be on our campus in early March. The WASC Visiting Committee would like to meet with interested parents, guardians, and community members and hear your feedback on Tuesday, March 6, 2023, from 4:30 to 5:30 in the KHS Library. Light refreshments will be provided. Please call Stacy Ishihara at (808) 313-3353 or email stacy.ishihara@k12.hi.us if you are interested in attending. **Please RSVP by March 2.**

KHS ACT

Exam will be taking place on February 28th at the KHS gym. This exam is only for 11th-grade students who have reserved their exam seats. Please make sure that students get a good night's rest, eat a good breakfast, and arrive at school early, before 8 am on that day. Students who signed up for the exam should be picking up important test information papers from the Transition Center starting from February 9th.

Federal Impact Survey

Please complete and return to the school. If you need another survey, you may stop by the KHS Main Office and pick one up.



Parent School Quality Survey

Your feedback on our school is important to us. Please take a few moments to complete the School Quality Survey (SQS). The SQS was distributed to period 1 students on January 9th. The SQS measures your perceptions of the safety and well-being of your child and your satisfaction and involvement/engagement with your child's school. Your responses will be kept confidential in order to gather candid information and will be used by schools for continuous improvement purposes. As a parent/guardian, this is an opportunity for your voice to be heard.

One parent/guardian may complete one survey for each Grade K-12 student. Because different students may have different experiences in a school, parents/guardians should complete a survey for each child in each school.

Access to the survey link or the QR code can be found on the attached parent letter.

If you do not have internet access to complete the survey, you may pick up a paper survey (one for each child in grade K-12) from the KHS Main Office. Or you may stop by the KHS Library, we have set aside computers to complete your survey.

Non-Hawaii Qualified Teacher Letters will be sent home with students this month if a student has any class being taught by a teacher that is not highly qualified in that subject area.

TRANSITION CENTER

SENIORS

CAMPUS NEWS

Still need to do your FAFSA?
No problem!

Come to the workshop on
Tuesday, February 21, 2023 in the library.

Mrs. Yamamoto, Ms. Jamaica and Mr. Moake
will be available to help you between 4:30-7:30
pm.

You will need the following information:

- FSA ID (username and Password for parent and student)
- Parent- if you yourself went to college of you have older children that went to college, you may already have an FSA ID - please retrieve this information
- Social Security number - all 9 numbers for both parents/student
- 2021 IRS tax forms and W-2
- If you are not a US Citizen - your Alien Registration number for parent and student
- Date of birth, marriage/divorce/separation for parents
- Valid personal email address for parent and student
- Valid cell phone number if you have one.
- Amount of money you have in cash, checking and savings for parent and student if applicable.
- Student needs a list of colleges/universities you plan to



L to R - US Navy Recruiter Simon Holley, KHS Teacher Mr. Rapoza, US Airman Catherine Blick, US Airman Noah Armstrong-Smith

On January 26th Kea'au High School Alumni and US Navy AFB3, Noah Armstrong-Smith visited with students and faculty at the Transition Center with his Shipmate, Airman Catherine Blick and US Navy Recruiter, Simon Holley.

The US Navy is thankful to Kea'au High School for always having open arms to the Navy and providing many opportunities for its students.

If you would like more information regarding the Navy, visit the Transition Center every Thursday from 11:00-1:00pm.

ACT REGISTRATION DATES

- March 10

ACT TEST DATES

- December 10
- April 15

SAT REGISTRATION DATES

- April 7
- May 4

SAT TEST DATES

- March 11
- May 6
- June 3

TRANSITION CENTER

HAWAII COMMUNITY COLLEGE MANDATORY NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

All students planning to attend HawCC this fall must attend a Mandatory New Student Orientation in order to be able to register for classes. We have scheduled the MNSO for Thursday – March 30, 2023 at 5:30 pm in our Cafeteria. We also encourage parent(s) to attend with you so they are informed as to what you have to do before attending college. Please RSVP by Wednesday – March 8 to let us know if you will be attending. If you miss this event, you will have to schedule one on your own directly with HawCC. Attached is the health form that will also need to be completed before you can register. We recommend that you get this done during spring break.

(Pupus/snacks will be provided by Gear-Up.)

Please return form to Mrs. Yamamoto in the Transition Center.

Name: _____

_____ **I will attend**

_____ **Number of people attending**

_____ **I am unable to make it and will schedule one on my own directly with HawCC.**

Student Signature _____

Parent Signature _____

KEA'AU COUGAR ATHLETICS

Congrats!

Fa'apo Oti & Malachi Torres

Class of 2023

Both Keaau Athletes have earned scholarships and signed with Valley City State University (VCSU) where they will also play football



KEA'AU WINTER SPORTS AWARDS

March 1st

5pm in the Cafeteria - Dinner will be served

Sideline Cheer, Boys and Girls Basketball,
Soccer, Paddling, Swim, Dive, Wrestling



Kea'au High School Cheerleaders

Winter Sport Athletes had the opportunity to share the importance of what it means to be a Kea'au Cougar Athlete as well as demonstrate basic drills of each sport at Kea'au Middle School last month.

Kea'au High School Athletics participates in this activity each sport season to encourage Middle School students to stay physically active, maintain good behavior and stride for academic excellence.



KCAB
Kea'au Cougars Athletic Boosters (KCAB) is a nonprofit organization that supports our Athletic Department and the student athletes. We are currently looking for any parents, guardians, or alumni that are interested in join us. For more information please visit the Athletic Page on the school website (keauhs.com) or contact the Athletic Department at 808-313-3450.



KEA'AU COUGAR ATHLETICS SPRING SCHEDULE

Tentative schedule as of 02/15/2023, schedule may change

DATE	DAY	TIME	SPORT	OPPONENT	LOCATION
2/6/2023	MON	TBD	BASEBALL	START DATE	
3/1/2023	WED	3:00pm	BASEBALL	Hawaii Prep Academy	Keaau HS
3/4/2023	SAT	1:00pm	BASEBALL	Kealakehe	Kealakehe HS
3/8/2023	WED	3:00pm	BASEBALL	Hilo HS	Keaau HS
3/10/2023	FRI	1:00pm	BASEBALL	Kamehameha-HI	Kamehameha-HI
3/18/2023	SAT	1:00pm	BASEBALL	Kau	Keaau HS
3/22/2023	WED	1:00pm	BASEBALL	Waiakea	Keaau HS
3/25/2023	SAT	1:00pm	BASEBALL	Kohala	Keaau HS
4/1/2023	SAT	1:00pm	BASEBALL	Konawaena	Keaau HS
4/5/2023	THURS	3:00pm	BASEBALL	Pahoa	Keaau HS (PHS)
4/15/2023	SAT	1:00pm	BASEBALL	Honokaa	Honokaa HS
4/17/2023	MON	TBD	SOFTBALL	BIIF Play-Off for Ties	TBD
4/21-24/23	FRI-MON	TBD	SOFTBALL	BIIF Semi-Finals	TBD
4/28-05/01/23	FRI-MON	TBD	SOFTBALL	BIIF Championships	TBD
05/03-06/23	WED-FRI	TBD	SOFTBALL	HHSAA Championships	TBD

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3/8/2023	WED	1:00pm	SOFTBALL	Hilo HS	Keaau HS
3/10/2023	FRI	1:00pm	SOFTBALL	Kamehameha-HI	Kamehameha-HI
3/18/2023	SAT	11:00am	SOFTBALL	Kau	Keaau HS
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3/4/2023	SAT	9:00am	TRACK	All Comers	Keaau HS
3/11/2023	SAT	2:00pm	TRACK	All Comers	Konawaena HS
3/18/2023	SAT	9:00am	TRACK	All Comers	Waiakea HS
3/25/2023	SAT	3:00pm	TRACK	All Comers	Kealakehe HS
4/1/2023	SAT	9:00am	TRACK	All Comers	Hawaii Prep Academy
4/8/2023	SAT	9:00am	TRACK	All Comers	Waiakea HS
4/15/2023	SAT	3:00pm	TRACK	All Comers	Kealakehe HS
4/22/2023	SAT	9:00am	TRACK	Frosh/Soph Invitational	Keaau HS
04/28-29/23	FRI-SAT	2:00pm	TRACK	BIIF Championships	Keaau HS
05/05-06/23	FRI-SAT	9:00am	TRACK	HHSAA Championships	Maui Memorial



**STAY UP-TO-DATE WITH ALL
KEA'AU ATHLETIC EVENTS ON
INSTAGRAM!**

@keaucougars_athletics

Join Us!



7TH ANNUAL HILO-WAIĀKEA-KEA'AU MUSIC EVENT

ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT
HOT DOG JAM

PRE-SALE
\$8

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2023
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
WAIĀKEA HIGH SCHOOL GYM

Entertainment Provided by the School Bands
1 free bottle of water included, additional beverages and snacks will be available for purchase. Lucky number drawing, Craft Vendors

NO TAKEOUTS, MUST BE PRESENT TO EAT

KIDS 4 & UNDER ARE FREE
\$8 | **\$10**
PRE-PAID | AT THE DOOR

7TH ANNUAL HOT DOG JAM
PROGRAM

10 am - 10:30 am	WIS Titan Band
10:40am - 11 am	WIS Ukulele Band
11:10 am - 11:40 am	WHS Warrior Band
11:55 am - 12:25 pm	HIS Spartan Band
12:45 pm -1:15 pm	HHS Viking Band
1:30pm-1:55pm	KHS Cougar Band





Tickets for this event are available with any

KHS Cougar Band Member or by contacting Christopher Ho @ 808-313-3470

Kea'au High School

Parent/Community Walk Through

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

2.23.23
9 AM

Connect
with
Faculty
&
Parents

Learn
Your
Child's
Interest

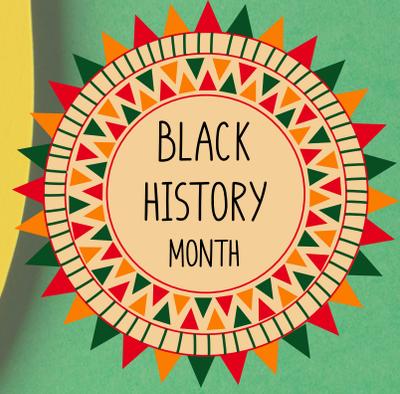
RSPV

@

(808)313-3321

Community
Support
&
Resources

Light
Refreshments



KEAAU HIGH SCHOOL - ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY

POETRY SLAM

A Gathering To
Express
Creativity



Join us in this event of free expression! Use your voice to speak your mind, to tell a story, or to crack a joke. Anyone can do it!

Feb. 24th
Library
Lunch
12:28 -12:58 PM

STUDENTS, TEACHERS, STAFF - COME JOIN US!

KEA'AU HIGH SCHOOL NATIONAL
HONORS SOCIETY

Pet Drive

THINGS YOU COULD DONATE

- COLLARS
- LEASHES
- CLEANING SUPPLIES
- TOWELS
- UNEXPIRED CAT/ DOG FOOD
- WE WILL ALSO ACCEPT MONETRARY DONATIONS



FEB. 27TH-MARCH 3RD, @ 2:15-3:00
IN FRONT OF OFFICE



Volunteer Tracker

App Garden



Interested in becoming a volunteer?

We are so excited that you are interested in volunteering!

Volunteers are a vital part of our district and we appreciate YOU!

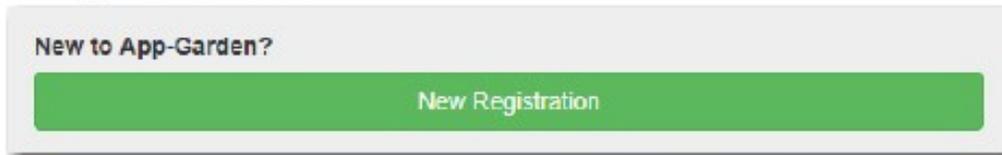
Please follow the steps on the right to sign up for volunteer applications and opportunities.

Questions?
support@app-garden.com

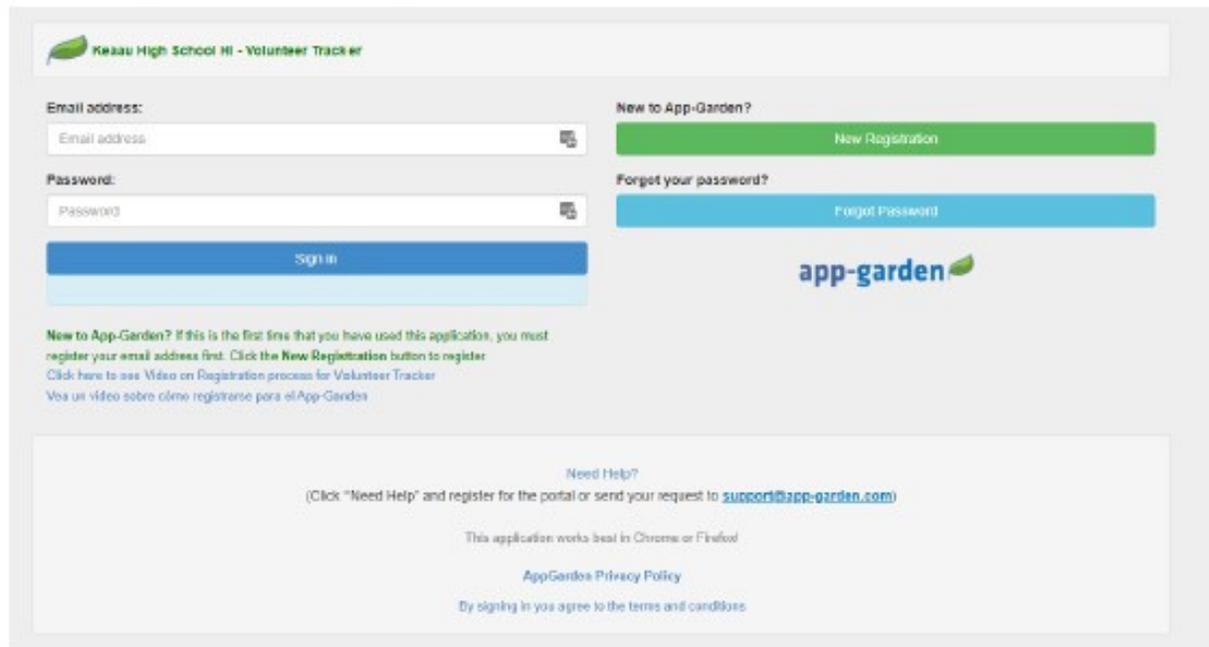
How to Register

- 1 Visit our website
<https://appgarden5.app-garden.com/VolTrackHI354.nsf>
- 2 Register and complete the application.
- 3 We will review your application and you will be contacted if further information is needed.
- 4 Once approved, watch your in-box for invites to opportunities that match your interest.

The first time you access the system you will need to click on the registration link to register your email address and create a password. Click on the:

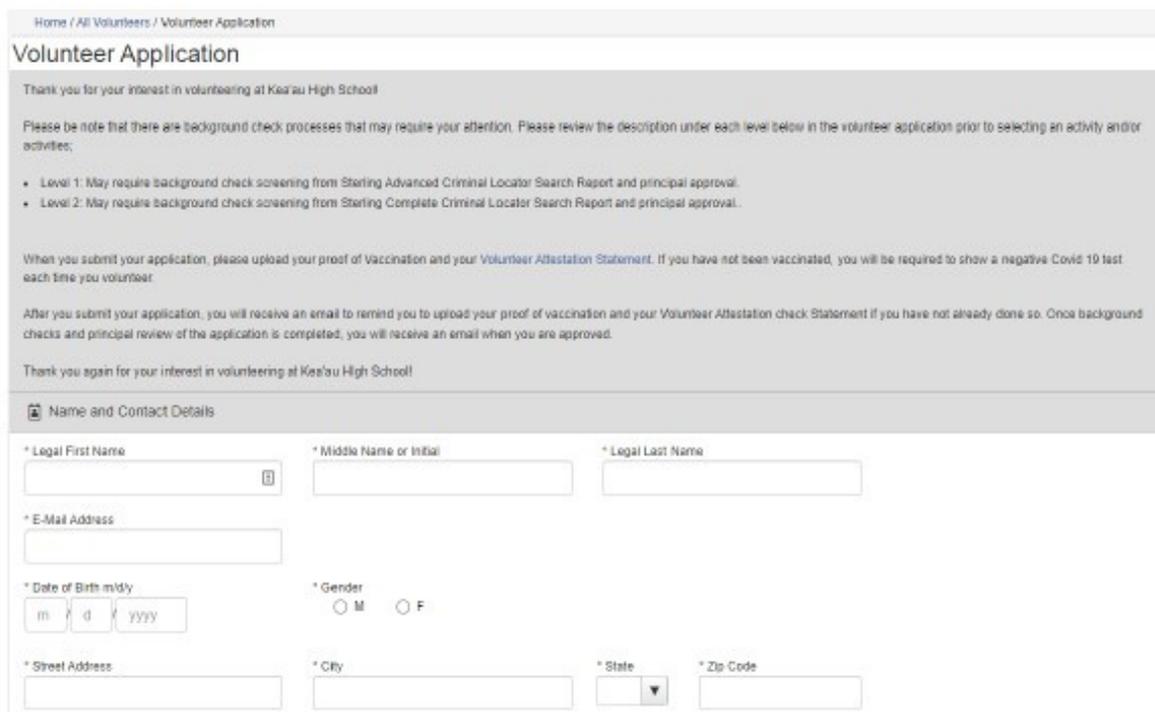


You will then go to your email to locate an email from dadmin@app-garden.com and click on an activation link. If you do not see this email in your inbox, please check your spam or clutter folders. The link in the email will redirect you to the Kea'au High School Volunteer Tracker.



You will sign in using your email address and the password that you created when you registered.

You will see an application that you will complete and submit.



Once the application is submitted, you will receive an e-mail when you are approved and can begin volunteering!

Thank you for volunteering at Kea'au High School! Your contributions are invaluable!