



KEA'AU MIDDLE SCHOOL

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THE PLACE TO EXCEL

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Aloha Grade 8 Greenwave Families,

The time has arrived for us to open our doors and welcome the return of our students to in-person learning. From the beginning of the school year, we had planned to adopt a blended learning model in which students were taught in both a virtual classroom and in person. The pandemic put a hold on being able to implement that model as more became infected with the Coronavirus. Now, the infection rate on the Big Island is at a level acceptable for blended learning. Thus, we are planning to slowly transition our students back to campus on an A/B blended learning schedule.

Beginning on February 8, 8th graders in group A are invited back to in-person learning on campus followed by 8th graders in group B on **February 9**. All 8th graders in groups A, AX, B, and BX may physically attend school on their synchronous days and continue to learn online from home on their asynchronous days using the schedule below. **Note:** 8th grade students in these groups may choose to continue to attend their classes virtually with no change to their learning model or schedule, thus they would continue as they currently are.

We highly encourage you to have your child attend school in person if he/she is struggling, in need of additional support, or is at risk of failing.

Group	Monday Gr 8: 8:05 - 2:15	Tuesday Gr. 8: 8:05 -2:15	Wednesday 8:00 - 10:30	Thursday Gr 8: 8:05 - 2:15	Friday Gr 8: 8:05 - 2:15
A	Face-to-Face Physically in school	Distance Learning Home Work	Distance Learning - may be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intervention or remedial lessons • Accelerated or enrichment courses • Extended learning assignments from day school teachers 	Face-to-Face Physically in school	Distance Learning Home Work
B	Distance Learning Home Work	Face-to-Face Physically in school		Distance Learning Home Work	Face-to-Face Physically in school

AX	Face-to-Face Physically in school	Distance Learning Home Work	Face-to-Face - Physically in school: special classes only	Face-to-Face Physically in school	Distance Learning Home Work
BX	Distance Learning Home Work	Face-to-Fac e Physically in school	Face-to-Face - Physically in school: special classes only	Distance Learning Home Work	Face-to-Fac e Physically in school
C*	Face-to-Face Physically in school	Face-to-Fac e Physically in school	Face-to-Face Physically in school	Face-to-Face Physically in school	Face-to-Fac e Physically in school
D*	Learn from Home Distance Learning Program: Paced on-line courses. Students work independently from home. Support from teachers available daily from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.				

**If your child is in group C or D, nothing will change in your child's learning model or schedule.*

Your child may still continue to access our learning hub relocated to the Shipman Gym on their asynchronous days.

If you are interested in accessing bus transportation, you may find the bus application online on our website at www.keaaumiddle.org >>> PARENTS>>> Bus Application or a hardcopy application is enclosed with this letter.

For the safety and supervision of your child, if you plan to provide your child with your own transportation, student **drop-off time is no earlier than 7:40 a.m.** at the **Shipman Gym only.**

If you have any questions, please contact the 8th grade counselor Kristen Bajo at 808-313-4850 or email Kristen.Bajo@k12.hi.us

Return to School REMINDER

Bring to school:

- Your Chromebook and Charger
- Refillable water bottle
- Mask (required)
- Materials and supplies for classes

Wear your school uniform! (If you need to purchase uniform shirts, contact Janean Stone at 808-313-4820 or email at Janean.Stone@k12.hi.us)