



March 25, 2020

To: Limahana, Makua and Haumāna of Kawaiikini NCPCS

Re: Extension of school closure due to COVID-19 to April 30, 2020

Aloha e ka 'ohana Kawaiikini:

We know these are uncertain and anxious times for everyone in our communities and we sincerely appreciate your patience and aloha as our response to this health crisis continues to evolve and we make the needed adjustments for health and safety.

Based on the latest guidance and information from health officials and our elected leaders, Kawaiikini will be aligning with the emergency orders directing residents statewide to remain at home and work from home through April 30. **This means school facilities will be closed to students until at least April 30 and traditional in-school instruction is on hold until schools reopen.**

Kawaiikini will be sending out information shortly about enrichment opportunities, including online resources and instructional packets. We encourage you to look out for information from your child's school and teachers.

Please know that our kula is still operating during this crisis. We are using alternative methods as we maximize our telework approach and find ways to remain connected with students. Our faculty is actively engaged in providing much-needed, modified services during these unprecedented times. We appreciate The Department of Education providing statewide meals to our keiki until school reopens.

We are working with the Department of Education on guidelines for our six eligible graduates, and will share details with you shortly. We will also be sharing out next-level information based on the planning work accomplished by our Kumu, student services team and directors to guide us through the end of the school year.

Kawaiikini remains committed to our mission and we look forward to resuming instruction and a sense of normalcy as quickly as possible. Mahalo for your continued patience and cooperation.

Mahalo,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jessell Tanaka". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jessell Tanaka, Executive Director