

STATE OF HAWAI'I DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION LEILEHUA HIGH SCHOOL 1515 CALIFORNIA AVENUE WAHIAWA, HI 96786

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Dear c/o 2022 Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for being so understanding as we continue to navigate through COVID-19 guidelines. We appreciate the concerns and suggestions shared by students and community members. Please understand everything shared is subject to change as guidance may change.

We are excited to share that we will now be able to have lei giving after the graduation ceremony. As with any school-based event, we are responsible for ensuring the health and safety of everyone on campus. We understand the cultural significance of lei giving at graduation. Unfortunately, we do not have adequate space to safely accommodate 350 graduates and an unlimited number of guests on the field all at once.

Here's where we need your help and cooperation. We will stagger the dismissal of graduates and allow for a limited number of household members to honor their graduate after leaving the field. Families may bring signs, balloons, and banners for the ceremony. However, we will not be allowing families to set up and stay in designated areas. The expectation is for people to continuously be moving toward their vehicles and exit the campus so we can dismiss the next set of graduates.

Due to our stadium capacity and increased demand for additional tickets, we will be giving each graduate six tickets for household members as guests. During the ceremony, physical distancing should be maintained between families.

Again, this is subject to change as conditions evolve, and we will keep our families updated with any changes.

Thank you for your continued support. GO MULES!