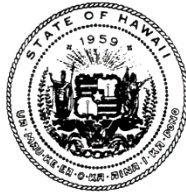


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November 6, 2023

Dear Makaha Elementary parents and guardians,

This letter is to inform you of an unfortunate incident that occurred on campus this afternoon where an argument between two students resulted in one student being injured and transported to a hospital in serious condition. Another student was taken into custody by police.

The injury was allegedly caused by a pair of scissors that students had access to as part of an art activity. The Honolulu Police Department (HPD) and emergency services were immediately notified and responded to campus at approximately 2:00 p.m. A police investigation is ongoing. In order to protect student privacy, our administration cannot disclose additional details.

School will be open tomorrow with no change in the schedule. Additional counselors and mental health support staff will be available to support our students and employees who may be affected by this incident.

Parents are encouraged to monitor their child's behavior and mood over the next few weeks. If you notice any changes or have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact our school and your child's primary care physician.

We remain committed to ensuring the safety and well-being of our Mahaka Elementary 'ohana. Our priority in the coming days will be to support those who have been impacted and our school community. If you have any questions, please call our administration office at (808) 307-7400.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kenneth Agcaoili".

Kenneth Agcaoili
Principal