



STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Kalihi Kai Elementary
626 McNeill Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96817

November 13, 2020

Aloha Kalihi Kai Parents and Guardians,

Last month, a letter was sent out regarding the anticipated return to Blended Learning for Kalihi Kai Elementary. We've been closely monitoring the National, State, and City-level data on the progress of Covid-19. Even though the number of confirmed cases on Oahu and in Kalihi has seen a slight increase in recent days, the overall numbers have significantly improved. The improved case number averages along with the lower positivity rate, led to Oahu moving to Tier II and placed Kalihi Kai in the "Blended Learning" area of the Hawaii Department of Health (HDOH) learning model.

<https://health.hawaii.gov/coronavirusdisease2019/new-metrics-for-school-reopening/>

Consider a learning model based on the color of your area

	In-person Learning	Elementary: In-person Learning Secondary: Blended Learning	Blended Learning	Elementary: Blended Learning Secondary: Learning from home	Learning from home
7-day Daily Average Per 100,000 population	0-2.0	2.1-5.0	5.1-10.3	10.4-15.4	15.5+
Percent Positivity	0-0.99%	1.0%-2.49%	2.5%-5.0%	5.1%-7.5%	>7.5%

Assuming the data continues to remain in the Blended Learning area of the model, we plan on bringing our Kindergarten students back to campus on **November 30, 2020** (see the schedule below). **The November date to move to Blended Learning does not apply to Acellus Students who selected to remain on Distance Learning for now as these students will return in January or later.** Please be sure to review the school's updated plan @kalihikai.org with your child prior to returning to campus.

TENTATIVE BLENDED LEARNING SCHEDULE:	
Group A On-Campus Mondays/Thursdays	
Group B On-Campus Tuesdays/Fridays	
Groups A & B will alternate on Wednesdays	
Kindergarten:	
First two weeks modified schedule:	
November 30-December 4: 8:00am-12:30pm	
Week of December 7-December 11: 8:00am-1:30pm	
1 st Grade:	January 5, 2020
2 nd -5 th Grades:	To Be Determined

DAILY REQUIRED SCHOOL ITEMS:
1 Student Facemask
1 Extra Facemask in Ziploc (stored at school)
1 Student Water Bottle

Please note that school's plan to move to Blended Learning is based on the assumption that the number of COVID-19 cases in our area remain within the ranges identified by the DOH and CDC as safe. **If the number of COVID-19 cases rise, the blended learning start date may be delayed and/or rolled back.**

Sincerely,

Marc Kawahara
Principal