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## OVERVIEW

Building an educational system to embody the goals set forth in *Kamehameha Schools' Strategic Plan 2000-2015* guided our endeavors in the opening year of the 21st century at Kamehameha Schools.

### BUILDING AN EXPANDING SYSTEM

Kamehameha's system-wide enrollment - in kindergarten through grade 12 (K-12) campuses - reached 3,534 students for the 2000-2001 year. Enrollment in KS' Early Childhood Education program rose to an all-time high of 1,057, making the total 4,591 full-time student population the largest ever at Kamehameha.



From top:

- Computer literacy begins in preschool
- KS Hawai'i campus construction
- Elementary students at KS Maui campus



## TOTAL ENROLLMENT BY PROGRAM – 2000-2001

Official enrollment for the 2000-2001 school year as of September 1, 2000

PROGRAM	NUMBER	
	PROGRAM	CAMPUS
<b>O'AHU CAMPUS</b>		3,184
ELEMENTARY (K-6)*	752	
MIDDLE SCHOOL (7-8)	636	
SECONDARY SCHOOL (9-12)	1,796	
<b>HAWAI'I CAMPUS</b>		174
ELEMENTARY (K-5)	126	
MIDDLE SCHOOL (6-7)	48	
<b>MAUI CAMPUS</b>		176
ELEMENTARY (K-5)	128	
MIDDLE SCHOOL (6-7)	48	
<b>PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT</b>		1,057
O'AHU PRESCHOOLS	471	
HAWAI'I PRESCHOOLS	386	
KAUA'I PRESCHOOLS	106	
MAUI PRESCHOOLS	74	
MOLOKA'I PRESCHOOL	20	
<b>TOTAL PROGRAM ENROLLMENT</b>		<b>4,591</b>

Source: School Administrative Student Information (SASI) Database

\*Hawai'i and Maui Campuses have formally adopted a middle school structure that will ultimately encompass grades 6-8. KS-O'ahu Campus has not transferred grade 6 to the middle school at this time.

K-12 enrollment figures for KS O'ahu Campus are expected to remain stable at approximately 3,100 students. Enrollment at Kamehameha's Hawai'i and Maui Campuses should reach more than 1,000 students at each facility within the next five years. Kamehameha anticipates 5,000 K-12 students enrolled system-wide by 2005.

### BUILDING EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

Kamehameha Schools' reorganization created a Chief Education Officer (CEdO) and two headmaster positions for the Hawai'i and Maui campuses. A nationally recognized consulting service for independent schools facilitated Kamehameha's search from an initial field of more than 300 candidates.

CEdO and headmaster screening committees, comprised of a cross section of KS employees, narrowed the selection to four CEdO and five headmaster finalists.

Finalists met with representatives of KS stakeholder groups including Nā Kumu O Kamehameha, the Association of Teachers and Parents, both Hawai'i and Maui Parent Teacher 'Ohana, as well as alumni and interested community organizations. Community feedback was invited and received. After final interviews with the screening committees, selection recommendations were forwarded to – and accepted by – the CEO.

In March 2001, CEO McCubbin announced that Dudley Hare Jr., Ed.D., Stan Fortuna Jr., Ed.D., and D. Rodney Chamberlain, Ed.D., had accepted positions as CEdO, and headmaster of the Hawai'i and Maui campuses respectively. They officially assumed their duties on July 1, 2001. The new CEdO and headmasters join Michael J. Chun, Ph.D., president and headmaster of KS O'ahu, in providing the leadership and oversight necessary in this unprecedented period of system building, rapid campus growth and change.

#### THE WIND BENEATH THEIR WINGS

Kamehameha faculty and staff are to be commended and credited for their contributions to our students' laudable achievements during the 2000 -2001 academic year. Noteworthy among events that added to Kamehameha's tradition of teaching excellence were:

The Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) extended Kamehameha Secondary School's (KSS) accreditation three years to June 30, 2004.

In March 2001, Kamehameha Secondary School Principal Anthony J. Ramos was named "State Principal of the Year" by the Hawai'i membership of the Met Life/National Association of Secondary School Principals. The first private school principal in Hawai'i ever so honored, Ramos credits his selection to an excellent, collaborative and supportive faculty and staff.



Clockwise from top:

-PBS special "Songs of Aloha" featured Kamehameha Schools Concert Glee Club

-KSS Principal, Anthony J. Ramos

-Dr. Lawrence Mordan and Kiani Arkus '03

In an example of technological integration into KS curriculum, teachers in Kamehameha's Visual Arts Department introduced new courses in digital photography and computer arts. Students responded quickly and creatively, receiving finalist and semi-finalist awards in computer graphics, graphic design and photography in the Scholastic Art Exhibition and Photography Awards and additional photography honors in the 2001 Congressional Art Competition.

Named "Best Teacher in Senior Research" by the State of Hawai'i Science and Engineering Fair, Lawrence Mordan, Ph.D., was quick to acknowledge the team effort of KSS science teachers Nathan Nishimura, Gail Ishimoto, Joel Truesdell and Peter Grach whose students dominated high school competitions statewide in the 2000-2001 academic year.

KS O'ahu Campus Learning Centers staff initiated collaborations with Kamehameha's Maui and Hawai'i campus library staff to develop systemwide cataloging and circulation procedures. Also, as recommended by KS' Task Force on Literacy, standards of information literacy will be integrated into campus library programs systemwide in the next several years.

Kamehameha's role in preserving and perpetuating culture and arts was evident to the national television audience that viewed the Public Broadcasting System (PBS) special entitled *Hawai'i: Songs of Aloha*. KS Performing Arts Department Head Randie Fong was named artistic director for the PBS special that aired in December 2000. Kamehameha Schools Concert Glee Club led the finale of the program in which more than 90 percent of the performers were KS graduates.

For the third year in a row, Hawaiian language students in Grades 9-12 brought home the Overall Trophy from the Statewide Hawaiian Language Speech Competition. Mentored by Kumu 'Ōlelo Hawai'i Kalei 'A'arona-Lorenzo, Kealoha Christ, Kāwika Eyre, Hailama Farden, Sarah Keahi, Ke'ala Kwan, Kalehua Lima, Mele Pang and Keola Wong, KS students took first place in nine of the competition's 11 categories.

Julian Ako, special assistant to Dr. Michael Chun during the 2000-2001 academic year, won the 2001 Nā Hōkū Hanohano "Haku Mele" Award for his composition "Mapu Mau Ke 'Ala" from the album *Take Me Home* by 'Ale'a. As an adjudicated category determined by Hawaiian language experts, "Haku Mele" is considered among the highest honors given by the Hawai'i Academy of Recording Arts.