Welcome to the Kipona School Collaborator Information Session!

Housekeeping

- Attendees can watch and participate in the Q&A.
- Attendee’s audio and video have been disabled for a more focused experience.
- Feel free to ask questions via the Q&A panel. These will be compiled for follow up.
- This webinar will be recorded for review afterwards. Use the play controls:
Kipona Scholarship School Collaborator Information Session

Tuesday, April 13, 2021

- SY2021-2022 Information & Updates
- SY2022-2023 Updates
- School Collaborator Expectations
- Q&A
SY2021-2022 Kipona Program Information

- **New Student Applicant Eligibility Requirements**
  - State of Hawai‘i Resident
  - Entering grade 6 or 9
  - Application completed in FACTS by October 15, 2020
  - Completed a virtual KS Interview and Writing Sample

- **Returning Student Applicant Eligibility Requirements**
  - State of Hawai‘i Resident
  - Were awarded Kipona in SY2020-2021 or part of cohort
  - Application completed in FACTS by December 1, 2020

- **Student Application Process**
  - Complete application in FACTS and submit all required documents
  - Submit student’s 2019-2020 final report card
  - Complete a virtual KS Interview and Writing Sample (new applicants only)
  - Award Notifications sent via FACTS:
    - **March 31, 2021**
SY2021-2022
Kipona Updates

• Method for testing applicants altered due to COVID.
  • For new students: Conducted virtual interview and writing sample sessions
  • For renewal students: Testing requirement for continued scholarship participation waived

• Families were notified of award decisions by email on March 31
  • Families should log into FACTS to view award decision/accept award, as well as view revised award amounts (if applicable)

• School Collaborator Portal (SCP) will open for student enrollment updates in mid- to late May.
  • Schools will be notified by email when SCP opens
  • Enrollment updates should be completed timely
  • Delayed enrollment confirmations will result in delayed payments

• Award payments will begin in August pending:
  • Parent accepted award in FACTS
  • School confirmed enrollment in SCP
  • For returning Kipona recipients – SY2020-2021 final report card has been received

• Parent community service hour requirements continue to be waived. Families will be notified this summer.
Student application period expected to open in August 2021.

No change expected to scholarship entry grade levels (Gr. 6 & 9).

Method for testing new applicants currently unknown at this time.
School Collaborator Participation

- Returning schools do **not** need to reapply for Kipona participation
- Kipona participation requirements:
  - **NEW:** All schools (including returning schools) need to be HCPS licensed or compliant
- Interested schools may check our website or contact KS for application information
  - Application period: May 1-31, 2021
  - Notification of Kipona participation: July 2021
School Collaborator Expectations

**Reminders:**
- Schools will notify KS of any changes in school contact information within 30 days
- Current accreditation certifications were requested in December 2020. If you haven't done so already, or your accreditation expired since then, submit updated documentation to Cherish ASAP
- Schools will return any unused funds to KS within 30 days of change (e.g. withdrawals, disenrollment)
- When KS requests rates, schools must submit their *published* tuition rates
- When confirming enrollment, a student’s start date is defined as the first day student is physically or virtually present at school (student must be actively participating)

- Full list of expectations can be found online at:
  - KSBE.edu > Applications + Aid > School Collaborators
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Questions?
MAHALO for joining us today!

A recording of this meeting can be accessed by clicking on the link in the meeting invitation email.

Any further questions can be emailed to Cherish (celum@ksbe.edu)