



# Wai'anae High School

Class of 2026

Commencement Ceremony

Friday, May 22nd, 2026 | 6:00pm  
Larry Ginoza Athletic Complex



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Oli- “ Oli Aloha no Wai'anae”	Haumāna, Class of 2026 Composed by Paul Kalani Ka'awa-Flores-Hatt, Class of 2000 Class of 2025
Processional*- “Pomp and Circumstance” Presentation of Colors*	Wai'anae High School JROTC LTC Anthony Hafner, 1st Sgt. Milo Sinapati
“The Star-Spangled Banner” “Hawai'i Pono'i”	Kaylee-Marie Buray Lee-Kiaaina, Class of 2026 Kaiaulu Polite , Class of 2026
Welcome by Mistresses of Ceremonies	Kyree Correa, Class of 2026 Madisyn Dumlao, Class of 2026
Valedictory Addresses	Hayden Viela, Class of 2026 Caleb Sanidad Class of 2026
CTE IRC Student Recognition	Vice Principal Ikaika Sugui
Class Song: Legacy by High Watah	Darrell John De Mello-Muna, Class of 2026 Karmen Smith, Class of 2026 Kuulehua Poaha-Moreira, Class of 2026
Awards and Scholarships Presentation of the Class of 2026 Acceptance of the Class of 2026	Ms. Elaine Bowler, College and Career Counselor Mr. Aaron Tominaga, Principal Ms. Disa Hauge, Nānākuli Wai'anae Complex Area Superintendent
Principal Vice Principal Vice Principal Vice Principal Vice Principal Vice Principal Vice Principal	Mr. Aaron Tominaga Ms. Norine Matanane Mr. Michael Kurose Ms. Tess Kaji Mr. Kendall Maeda Mrs. Hayley Spears Mr. Ikaika Sugui
Name Readers Turning of the Tassel	Ms. Lianne Hee, Ms. Lei Aken Mr. Joe Martinez, Mr. Frank Marc Antonio, Mrs. Nikki Kilion Senior Class Advisors
Alma Mater	Class of 2026
Closing	Mr. Joe Martinez, Mr. Frank Marc Antonio, Mrs. Nikki Kilion Senior Class Advisors
Recessional	Class of 2026



Aaron Tominaga

2026 Seariders! Good job on all of your hard work and dedication. Your diploma is not just a representation of turning in work and coming to class every day, it is a representation of the support received from everyone who helped you up to this point. It is also a representation of the life lessons learned that will help you to be successful in college, in your career, and when you are ready to start your own family.

I applaud all of you for a job well done. You have always and will continue to represent our community and your families well. Enjoy this day as it is the beginning of the next chapter of an exciting journey. The best is yet to come.

Imua O Wai`anae!



Jade Kuhiiki  
Student Union President

I want to start off by thanking each and every one of you for being an impactful leader and role model to us underclassmen, whether that be in the classroom, outside of school, or in extracurricular activities such as clubs, councils or athletics. You have inspired and prepared our class to take on senior year. We will truly miss your presence, along with the lessons we learned and cherished everyday. This isn't where your story ends with us. Remember, we are all here for you and waiting for your return, not as a student but as an alumni. So wherever you may go, just remember, "Once a Searider, Always a Searider." This is not a goodbye, but rather a see you later. Congratulations Class of 2026 and thank you for your undying representation of Wai'anae Strong!



Christie Leota  
Senior Class President

As I reflect on our journey together, I am filled with profound gratitude and pride. After four years of seeing the same faces every day, walking the same halls, stressing over assignments, going to games, rallies, and practices, we've made memories that will stay with us long after tonight. Being your Student Council President has been one of the greatest privileges of my life because I got to witness firsthand how talented, hardworking and resilient this class truly is. To my classmates, thank you for making these years unforgettable. High school wasn't perfect, but the people around us made it worth it. As we move on to college, work, the military or wherever life takes us, I hope we remember that success isn't just about achievements, but about the kind of people we become. And if these last four years proved anything, it's that this class is capable of amazing things! So this isn't just a goodbye to high school. It is a goodbye to this chapter of our lives. Even though change is scary, I know our class is ready for whatever comes next. Congratulations Class of 2026, we did it.



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# Valedictorians



Skai Carman



Kyree Correa



Zoey Debutiaco



Treasure Domingo



Isabel Galdores



Christopher Magarro



Kalena Matthews



Caleb Sanidad



Hayden Viela



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Class Song:  
**Legacy**  
by High Watah

Verse 1

Remember many years ago  
When the sun rose after fine love  
And the truth and the honesty of innocence  
Youth is a treasure so enjoy every precious gift  
Look at how far we've come now  
We've had our share of life's ups and downs  
But it ain't over now that I think of it  
Just the beginning of a lifelong journey  
This one place, we've come to know  
Had its ups and downs, and highs and lows  
But we conquered it together now  
Fought to the end never throwing in a towel, yes

Pre-chorus

"Make it last", they say  
Time moves fast, did it feel like just yesterday  
We were walking down the hallway, hallway

Chorus

'Cause we have finally made it  
To this point in our lives  
We had a wonderful time, oh  
Thanks for the memories  
'Cause you've guided our way  
And we stand here today  
To leave Our legacy

Verse 2

This one place, we've come to know  
Had its ups and downs, and highs and lows  
But we conquered it together now  
Fought to the end never throwing in a towel, yes

Pre-chorus

"Make it last", they say  
Time moves fast, did it feel like just yesterday  
We were walking down the hallway, hallway

Chorus

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To this point in our lives  
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Thanks for the memories  
'Cause you've guided our way  
And we stand here today  
To leave Our legacy

Hook

This is our, this is our legacy  
This is our, this is our legacy  
This is our, this is our legacy  
Mmm  
This is our, this is our legacy  
This is our, this is our legacy  
This is our, this is our legacy

We would like to honor the memory of three cherished classmates with our class song. Though they are no longer with us, their spirits remain an integral part of the Class of 2026.

Tony K. Siufanua  
Maikah Hampp- Iriarte  
Kamakea Iaea



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**Adams, Nakira**  
Afong, Hysten  
**Agmata, Nevaeh Lorraine #**  
Aguinaldo, Koani  
Ahoi, Curtis-Jxavier  
**Aila, Mananui**  
**Aiwohi, Kaija**  
Akana, Kahiau  
Akau, Breyden  
Akau-Mika, Savannah  
**Akau-Miller, Chisen ^**  
Akiona-Ferriman, Mehanaokala  
Alaga, Ezra  
Alonzo, Kyzani  
Alpuro, Micah  
Alvarez-Otani, Kamalani  
Ambeau-Rosa, Andrea  
Ana Jove-Lai, Princeton  
**Ancho, Josh Dharryl + # ^**  
**Andrews, Nier + ^**  
**Anduha, Deegan**  
Armitage, Havyn  
Asing, Raeyah Lyn  
**Axelsdottir, Athena #**  
**Bacon, Elliott #**  
**Bacor, Kyle McKenzie #**  
Balai, Mayson  
Baligad, Tala-Iosia  
Banawa, Stheaven  
**Barnes, Zain-Keaka #**  
Beebe-Lee, Chevlyen-Brooke  
Bell, Jalie  
Bonilla, Leisa  
Boswell-Barnayha, Bryson  
**Boter-Popa, Serenity-Ann + #**  
Boxall, O-kalani  
Boxall, Kapena  
Boxall, Leilani  
Boyd, Aden  
**Brito, Keahi + #**  
**Brown, Kaedence**  
**Bushong, Kelsie #**  
**Butay, Janzen Mio**  
**Butay, Neshiel + #**  
Butay Lee-Kiaaina, Kaylee-Marie  
**Carman, Skai +**  
Carnate, Jeremiah  
Caspino, Chazen Lomond  
**Chalmers, Jayda**  
**Chase, Kaomi + #**  
**Chase, Trevor ^**  
Chaves-Keawe, Glenn  
Check, Cyrus  
Chong Gum, Christopher  
**Christian, Ku'pono James**  
Clark, Rhaidyn-Brooke  
**Clay-Gardner, William**  
Cochran, Mariah  
Colley, Mickaylie  
**Colt, Ariah + # ^**  
**Correa, Dysen #**  
**Correa, Kyree + #**  
**Czarnick Jr., Jerome + # ^**  
**Davidson, Owen**  
De La Cruz Jr., Peter  
**De La Cruz, Tyler**  
**De Mello-Muna, Darrell John +**  
Debutiaco, Dysen  
**Debutiaco, Zoey + #**  
DeCosta, Diesel  
Delfin, Gervais  
Delin, Rinell  
DeMello, Brylen-Naomi  
Des Forge, John  
**Dillingham, Olivia**  
**Domingo, Treasure + #**  
**Draper, Chance**  
**Dumlao, Madisyn +**  
Duran Jr., Richard  
**Echiberi, Robby**  
Edward, Robiette Kiona  
Eli, Elisha  
**Eliu, Chaesten**  
**Ellis IV, Herman**  
Enriquez, Alexus  
Espinaeva-Kimi, Kaimi  
**Espirito, Aiden**  
Fa'apouli, Kiona  
**Facciolla, Giana**  
Faliuga, Laxten  
Faumuina, Serajah  
Feleti, Abreana  
Fernandez, Shaycee  
**Ferreira, ZLC-Le**  
Ferreira Sparks, Cadence  
Figueroa, Sharinne  
Freitas, Cody  
Freitas, Jaylin  
Gabonia, Jayden-Levi  
**Gaison-Preklar, Ronald**  
**Galdores, Isabel + #**  
Galindo-Se'e-Lee, Dezarac  
Gallarde, Kayla  
Ganaban-Newman, Zion  
Garcia Jr., Jeremy  
Gascon, Alexander  
Goff, Ehlana  
Gomez, Cristella-Ann  
Grilho, Brianna  
Gualdarama Jr., Larry  
Hanohano-Mahuiki, Selena  
**Ha'o-Magno, Colten**  
Hart, Codi  
Hendrickson, Liberty  
**Hillier, Seisha**  
Himalaya-Wheeler, Chanceton  
Hope, Colette  
**Ibarra, Kiare +**  
**Ilae, Riley**  
Ioane, Hailee  
**Iokia, Kainui +**  
Irvine, Laila  
Jermeto, Christine  
Jessy, Papiolani  
John, Maryjane  
**Jose III, Leon**  
**Jury, Benaiah**  
**Kaaloa, Oriana**  
**Kauuwai, Damien**  
Kauuwai, Dyllen  
Kahala-Laronal, Charlsey  
Kahawai-Medeiros, Donavin  
Kahele, Abby  
Kalahiki Jr., Lincoln  
Kaleopaa, Constance  
**Kaleopaa-Kaopuiki, Deja + #**  
Kaluna, Chaslynn-Marley  
Kama-Schilling, Nadia



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Kamai-Dietz, Chayston  
Kamai-Espinueva, Chevin  
**Kanakamaikai, Jacey +**  
Kaohana Jr., James  
Kapahu, Rhyllie-Nevaeh  
Kauwala Jr., Vandybryan  
**Kawaihae Brown, Acacia + #**  
**Kealoha-Nakila, Shai-den**  
**Keaulana, Kaupena**  
Keese, Joshua  
Kekahuna, Xavier  
Kekahuna-Ua, Logan  
Keliikuli-Ortiz, Kaena  
**Kellett-Knell, Jordan +**  
Keopuhiwa, Rayson  
**Kikila, Briare-Lynn #**  
**Kilakalua-Kea, Caasi +**  
Kipi Costa, Elijah  
Kjenaas, Owen  
**Knudsen, Jocilynn #**  
Koa-Balles, Dazmin  
Koge-Medeiros, Londyn  
**Kohos, Kane + # ^**  
**Kuice, Julian**  
**Kukahiko, Kapono**  
**Landford, Shealin-Rae #**  
**Lara, Juliana**  
**Larita, Cheri**  
Larsen, Rylee  
Laulu, Easter  
Lave-Kaaukai, Belle Katryce  
**Leapaga, Makakoa**  
Leedy, Keanu  
Leedy-Maldonado, Audriana  
**Lein, Rikaylah-Marie**  
Leo, Talialofa  
**Leong, Nathaniel**  
Leopoldo-Agosto, Zaden  
**Leota, Christie + # ^**  
Lessary, Raighcne  
Liana, Ainzley  
Lindsey, Serenity-Selah  
Little, Shane  
Loa, Racesen  
Lofton, Aaliyah  
Lorok, Milton  
**Louis-Panui, Lynx # ^**  
Love, Nazaya  
Lui-Sanay, Kiara  
Lujan, Kaipo  
Lupeituu, Laipeli  
**Lutu-Carroll, Logan + #**  
**Magarro, Christopher + # ^**  
**Magsayo, Kirsten #**  
Mahaalu-Kaluna, Michael  
Malaia-Naehu, Aunisty  
Manumaleuna, Asher  
Martinez, John  
Martinez-Freitas, Phoebe  
Mason, Zandaleigh  
**Matas, Gemiel + # ^**  
**Matthews, Kalena + #**  
Mawae, Pebbles  
McCrocklin, Serenity  
McEnroe-Keaulii, Shae' Dan-Styles  
McMoore Jr., Jesse  
McMoore, Tayhani  
McShane-Vakauta, Sosefo-Afu  
Medeiros, Angel  
Medeiros, Riken  
**Medeiros-Kialoa, Kayleb + #**  
Mendoza, Madysin-Leigh  
Mendoza-Keawe, Shanti  
**Meyerowitz, Isaac**  
**Miranda-Leopoldo, Kamalei**  
**Mize Jr., Jason**  
Mole, Mia  
**Mollna, Cranston + # ^**  
**Monderen, Allyssa #**  
Moniz, Elizabeth Kei  
Moniz, Joshua  
Moniz, Mercedes  
Montero Hernandez, Aurelio  
Moses, Mahealani  
**Moses, Raven Jade #**  
**Mossman, Tayden**  
Naehu, Kamalei  
Nagasako, Shaden  
**Nahinu, Ka'iwa #**  
**Nahulu, Reiny-Leigh + #**  
**Napierala, Layla #**  
Ngirblekuu, Elijah  
**Ngujo, Crisamae +**  
**Nieto, Kingsley**  
Ocreto, Kelsee  
Olivas-Irvine, Fe  
Otto, Ketson  
**Outlaw-Pila, Passion-Ayana**  
Paaluhi, Jen-sen Jose  
Paaluhi, Carlee-Ray  
**Pacheco, Shawdan**  
**Pacheco, Shaydan**  
**Palmeira, Kaylia**  
Pala, Lyric  
Pang III, Alejandro  
**Pante, Paula +**  
Pasa, Kelson  
**Pelen, Jaylum**  
Penitani, Viliani  
**Perez, Izabella**  
Perez, Natasha  
Pereira, Aniel  
**Perry, James**  
**Pestana, Karma**  
Peters, Bransen  
Peters-Smith, Ashley  
Pham, Shaiden  
Pilila'au, Paikea  
Poaha-Moreira, Ku'ulehua  
**Poepoe, Kaipo**  
Polite, Kaiaula  
Pontes-Spencer, Oakland  
**Powell, Caleb # ^**  
**Purdy-Vierra, Rustin**  
Puu, Noa  
**Quel, Samstyn**  
**Ramos, Jalen + #**  
**Raymondo, Tyson**  
**Revilla, Emily + #**  
**Rice, Cayzen**  
Rivers, Aryana  
Rodrigues, Lexie  
Rodrigues, Madison  
Roman, Wehilani  
Romualdo-Vakameilalo, Felicia-Marie  
**Rzonca, Mercedes + # ^**  
Sahle, Evol  
Sakata, Bain



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Sanchez Chambers, Dominic

**Sanidad, Caleb + # ^**

Santana, Jett

Saturno, Kaimalu

Sausi, Alea

Schrader, Lei'a'i

Schultz, Eric

Sefo, Hadassah

Self, Josiah

Serrao-Kuamo'o, Ku'ulei

**Shifflett, Alayzah**

Shon, Zoji

Silva, Jahsiah

Simmons, Lindsey-Lee

**Simmons, Zhariah #**

Smith, Karmen

**Smith Jr., Keoni**

Smith Jr., Mark

Souza, Landon

Souza-Lewi, Kainalu

Staudinger, Shane

**Stone, Harmoni**

**Stremkowski, Summer Jennelle +**

Su'i, Samuelu

Ta'amai-Fononga, Iliona

Tabelisma, Shanaia

**Tacad, Queen Marianne**

Tago-Kim, Jonavin

**Taira, Melissa**

**Talio Jr., Frian**

Tauasosi, Tristan

Taulealo, Jaydasen

Teixeira, Cecilia

Telles, Kainalu

Teulilo, Nissi

Thomas, Charlie

Tinao-Sosefo, Paul

Tiolu, Dale

**Titania, Imeleta**

**Tolentino, Maximus # ^**

Tolentino-Kumuhone, Kachzen

**Trucman, Olynnah**

Tucay, Trinity

Tucay-Rabago-Nunuha, Shaisten-Helemanu

Tucker III, Thomas

**Tuimavave, Salainaolua +**

Uakamaka Napolis, Aureanna-Marie

Ulandez Jr., Ronald

**Uyeda, Ry-n + #**

Vaes'a'u, Taumalatou Lotolelei

**Valentine, Zander + #**

**Viela, Hayden + #**

**Vierra, Isaac**

Vierra-Bell, Keahi

Wagner, Leonidus

Wagner, Sterling

Wells, James

**Westbrook-Cuetto, Layshjayvonie**

Williams-Quitog, Braxtany

Willis, Jeffrey

Windham, Kawehi-Lynn

Wond, Ivan

Xue, Zi Jian

**Yadao, Spencer + ^**

**Yamada, Caitlynn**

### Board of Education Academic Honors

#### Summa Cum Laude

Of the Highest Distinction.

These students have attained a Cumulative GPA of 3.8 or above. All valedictorians receive Summa Cum Laude distinction as they have GPAs of 4.0 or above.

#### Magna Cum Laude

Of Great Distinction.

These students have earned GPAs of 3.5 to 3.8.

#### Cum Laude

With distinction.

These students have earned GPAs of 3.0 to 3.5

### Board of Education Honors Certificates (The following was met with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher)

#### + Academic Honors

These students earned 4 math, 4 science, and 2 college credits

#### # Career Technical Education Honors

These students completed 2-3 courses in a sequence of study and passed a final exam or earned a certificate in that area.

#### ^ STEM Honors

Science-Technology-Engineering-Math  
These students earned 4 Math, 4 Science credits and completed a STEM Capstone project.

#### \* Seal of Biliteracy

Students who have demonstrated a high proficiency in our state's 2 official languages ('Ōlelo Hawai'i and English) or in either of our state's 2 official languages and at least 1 additional language.

# Star Spangled Banner

O say can you see, by the dawn's early light,  
What so proudly we hail'd at the twilight's last gleaming,  
Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous fight  
O'er the ramparts we watch'd were so gallantly streaming?  
And the rocket's red glare, the bombs bursting in air,  
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there,  
O say does that star-spangled banner yet wave  
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

## Hawai'i Pono'i

Hawai'i pono'i,  
Nānā i kou mō'i  
Ka lani ali'i,  
Ke ali'i  
Makua lani ē,  
Kamehameha ē,  
Na kaula e pale,  
Me ka ihe

## Alma Mater

Hail to thee, O Wai'anae  
Set against the radiant sky.  
From the beaches still and cool  
Come the breezes towards our school.  
From the mountain to the ocean  
We all stand with firm devotion.  
Wai'anae Alma Mater Wai'anae Alma Mater  
Forward then, O Wai'anae  
With your colors waving high.  
Led by both the red and blue  
We will always fight for you.  
Let our hearts be filled with spirit  
Love of wisdom, pride and honor.  
Wai'anae Alma Mater Wai'anae Alma Mater



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ONCE A SEARIDER, ALWAYS A SEARIDER.



# Acknowledgments

Keith Hayashi, Superintendent  
Disa Hauge, Nānākuli-Wai'anae CAS  
Aaron Tominaga, Principal  
Norine Matanane, Vice Principal  
Tess Kaji, Vice Principal  
Michael Kurose, Vice Principal  
Hayley Spears, Vice Principal  
Kendall Maeda Vice Principal  
Ikaika Sugui, Vice Principal  
Kekoa Kaluhiokalani, Athletic Director  
Ryan Oshita, Vice Principal, Papahana 'O Kaiona  
Amy Manthei, Registrar  
Kelly Kalinowsky, Student Services Coordinator  
Samantha Nakamoto, Student Services Coordinator  
Fawn Park, Upper Academy Counselor  
Jadeen Tuinei, Upper Academy Counselor  
Kristin Lai, Upper Academy Counselor  
Nicole Kiliona, Upper Academy Counselor, Class Advisor  
Jeromaiah Faatoafe, Sophomore Academy Counselor  
Kathy Leong, Sophomore Academy Counselor  
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Jared Nielson, 9th Grade Counselor  
Kervin Oshima, 9th Grade Counselor  
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Elten Lau, Early College Counselor  
Dean Shimada, Student Success Coach  
Anjole Griffin, Student Success Coach  
Michael Williams, Tech Coordinator  
Manny Puga, Tech Staff,  
David Manthei, Tech Resource  
Kelly Santana, School Food Service Manager  
Maile Domingo, School Administrative Services Assistant  
Robert Kalaola, Head Custodian  
William Duseigneur, Head School Security Attendant  
Stacie Pihana, Office Assistant  
Caezelle Kamealoha, Office Assistant  
Breanne Simpson, Office Assistant  
Tanisha Aniya, Office Assistant  
Randi Bailey, Educational Assistant  
Leona Popa, Educational Assistant  
Sherrie Aiwohi, 10th/Upper Academy Office Assistant  
Georgie Ribuca, 9th Grade Office Assistant  
Alesa Nuuanu, Registrar Office Assistant

Cyrilla Manuel, Transition Coordinator  
Linda Jury, Student Activities Coordinator  
Kat Muranaka Work based Learning Coordinator  
Joseph Martinez Class of 2026 Advisor  
Frankie MarcAntonio Class of 2026 Advisor  
LTC Anthony Hafner, JROTC Instructor  
1SG Milo Sinapati, JROTC Instructor  
Rod Quiton, Building & Construction Teacher  
Lianne Hee, Retired Counselor  
Lei Aken, CTE Coordinator  
Camille Hampton, Academic Coach  
John Allen, Searider Productions  
Dannen Dano, Searider Productions  
Shayla Bradley, Tech Staff  
Shaina Caspino, PCNC  
Fabian Mata, School Resource Officer  
George Silva, School Resource Officer  
Jason Laquihon , Sound Support  
Deroy Lavatai, Sound Support  
Wai'anae High School Faculty & Staff  
Wai'anae High School Security  
Wai'anae High School Cafeteria Staff  
Wai'anae High School JROTC  
Wai'anae High School Student Council  
Wai'anae High School Engineering Tech Students  
Kamaile Academy PCS  
Leihoku Elementary School  
Ma'ili Elementary School  
Makaha Elementary School  
Wai'anae Elementary School  
Wai'anae Intermediate School  
Ka Waihona o Ka Na'auao PCS  
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Pumpkin Peterson, Parking Support  
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Mahalo!

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