

GET OUTSIDE! with KAHUAPONO 2023 Student Enrichment Program at KEAUHOU, KA'Ū



PROGRAM DATES:

JULY 10th - 21st

Like outdoor adventures? Want to help our 'āina and have fun at the same time? Then sign up for two weeks that could change your life!

- Two week program based at Keauhou, Ka'ū runs Monday-Friday.
- Includes overnight camping trips.
- Travel to natural areas across different Keauhou ecosystems.
- Meet with environmental stewards who share a passion for mālama 'āina.
- Engage in hands-on activities, service projects, and observation and reflection activities.
- Immerse yourself in Hawai'i lifeways and cultural practices.
- Meet unique plants and animals found nowhere else on earth.
- Leave with a sense of place and responsibility to care for our island.
- Transportation from Hilo will be available.
- Applications open to Hawai'i Island residents only.

Students must be in **6th-12th grade** when applying

For an application go to:
www.threemountainalliance.org/kahuapono

APPLICATIONS DUE MAY 1, 2023

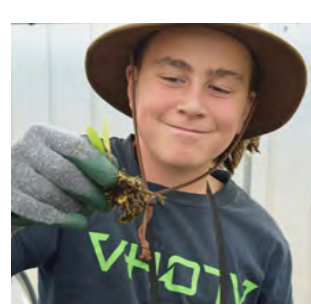
Mālama
'āina

Travel
across
unique
ecosystems

Learn
cultural
and natural
history

Make new
friends

FREE!



Program will take place at:

Keauhou, Ka'ū

Located at the end of Pi'imauna Drive
Volcano, HI 96785

Want more info?

contact us

(808) 756-2467

imipononokaaina@gmail.com

Can't participate this year?
Program is held annually!



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KAHUAPONO

2023 Summer Program Application



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Applications must be postmarked by: May 1, 2023

Mail application to:

**'Imi Pono no ka 'Āina
University of Hawai'i at Hilo
200 W. Kāwili St.
Hilo, HI 96720-4091**

We will send you an email notification confirming receipt of your application.

You will be notified of your acceptance status by **May 19, 2023**. Please note that we have limited space available. This year, applications are open to Hawai'i Island residents only. We select students based on application responses, references, and availability.

Program Details and Expectations

Two week program includes camping trips and day trips to unique natural areas across different ecosystems in Keauhou, Ka'ū. We will meet with environmental stewards who share a passion for mālama 'āina and engage in restoration projects. Students should be interested in learning more about the natural and cultural history of Hawai'i Island.

We often will be away from modern facilities and in remote areas, traveling and working in varying weather conditions and terrain. Some program activities require physical labor, and we will be hiking at many of our sites.

Students need to be comfortable being away from home and their family for several nights. Students must be prepared to be responsible and respectful, behave appropriately, stay positive, and take initiative in a group setting.

Students will reflect on learning experiences by responding to daily questions in a field journal. Students will be expected to think critically and listen actively. Program activities will require students to share their thoughts outloud and in writing. Be prepared to learn and have fun in both indoor and outdoor settings!

If you would like more information about the program, the ADA policy, or need assistance with the application process, please contact us at imipononokaaina@gmail.com or call us at **(808) 756-2467**.

Student Information

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Middle Name: _____ Name that you go by (optional): _____

Gender (circle one): Male Female Other Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

School Attending: _____ Grade level completing in 2023: 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

Parent/Guardian (First & Last Name): _____

Relationship to Student: _____ Parent Phone Number: (____) _____

Parent Email: _____ Student Email (optional): _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Residential Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Program Schedule and Availability

- Students are required to participate in the ENTIRE program.
- Program runs Monday-Friday from 9:00am - 4:30pm, not on weekends.
- Transportation from Hilo will be available.
- Meeting location is at the entrance to the Keauhou forest, Ka'ū (Located at the end of Piimauna Drive, Volcano, HI).
- The program consists of both day trips (Mon - Tue) and camp trips (Wed - Fri) each week.
- 'Ohana are invited to attend hō'ike on the evening of July 21.

Do you have any plans that will interfere with your complete participation in the program?

___ No

___ Yes, specify dates and times: _____

Have you applied to this program before?

___ No

___ Yes, When? _____

How did you hear about us?

Please check all that apply: ___ Classroom Presentation ___ Teacher/School ___ Social Media ___ Flyer
___ Email ___ Website ___ Family/Friend (Name and how did they hear about it?) _____

Short Answer Questions

QUESTIONS MUST BE ANSWERED BY THE STUDENT IN THEIR OWN HANDWRITING, NOT THE PARENT

Space provided for answers is limited. If you need more space, you may continue your answers on a separate piece of paper and attach it to the application.

1) WHO ARE YOU? Tell us about yourself. What interests you? What activities do you enjoy doing in and out of school? Why do you enjoy them? What makes you unique?

List five words you would use to describe your personality:

2) Describe 1-2 of your experiences or skills (extracurricular, family, or school activities, school projects, hobbies, etc.) that demonstrate your desire and ability to work outdoors and/or learn about the environment.

3) We are looking for students who are responsible and who take initiative. What kinds of chores or responsibilities do you have at home or school?

4) We are looking for students who are good team players. What kinds of qualities will you bring to our group this summer? How can you contribute to our group?

5) WHY SHOULD WE CHOOSE YOU? Explain why you want to participate in this program. What do you hope to gain from the program?

Reference

Please list a NON-RELATED reference that knows you well and can describe your strengths and interests. Examples: Teacher, Coach, Counselor, Kumu Hula, Mentor, etc. Your reference will be receiving an email with a link to complete an electronic reference form. Please let your reference know in advance that they will be receiving an email from us.

Full Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Email: _____ Phone Number: _____

Signatures

By signing below, we certify that we have read, understand, and can commit to the program schedule and expectations, and that the student can fully participate in the program unless otherwise noted.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Student Signature

Date