



***Ke Kula Niihau O Kekaha
Learning Center***

Mission: Ke Kula Niihau O Kekaha will perpetuate and strengthen the language and culture of Niihau among the children and youth of the Niihau community living on Kauai, as well as to meet the special needs of this community by providing an education which results in a positive attitude toward a lifelong search for knowledge, and preparing students for success in today's world of rapid change and technology.

Vision: A Ke Kula Niihau O Kekaha graduate is a fluent communicator in Niihau and English prepared for success in college and/or career.

Admissions Policy

1. Fluent speakers of the Niihau dialect of Hawaiian will be accepted at any grade level.
2. Preference will be given to kindergartners enrolling directly from the Ke Kula Niihau O Kekaha Preschool program and from other Hawaiian Medium Preschools.
3. Preference will be given to fluent speakers of standard Hawaiian at grade levels with available openings.
4. Preference will be given to returning students, siblings (including hanai, step or foster) of students already enrolled if openings exist for the appropriate grade levels.
5. A lottery process will be used to determine admission if there are more applicants for admission than space available.

The objective of the lottery process is to allow the school to maintain an ideal enrollment of 25 students in grades K – 5, 15 students in grades 6 – 8, and 10 students in grades 9 – 12 for a maximum enrollment of 50 students.

However, the director, in collaboration with the staff, will reconsider the enrollment numbers for the elementary, middle school and high school program based on students' needs, even distribution of students at each grade level and resources on a yearly basis.

On the first business Monday of April, the director and the office clerk will oversee the lottery process if necessary.



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Enrollment Procedure

1. Advise the school of interest in attending the school
2. A mandatory meeting to include student and parent will be scheduled with director and the teacher(s) assigned to the grade level of enrollment
3. If your child has an Individualized Education Program (IEP) or 504 Plan, please inform the school upon acceptance so a transitional meeting can be coordinated as soon as possible
4. Enrollment based on preference and available space at entering grade level will be used to determine admission or denial
5. If student meets admission requirements the registration process will commence



STUDENT APPLICATION

Last Name: _____ First: _____ Middle: _____

Birth Date: _____ Grade Applying for: _____

Please provide a school history for your child (pre-school to present).

May we contact your child's previous schools for additional information, if necessary? Yes / No

Name of School	Grades Attended	Years Attended

Indicate Language used. Write only ONE LANGUAGE for each item.

Student's First Acquired Language: _____

Language Most Often Spoken at Home: _____

Language Most Often Used By Student: _____

STUDENT'S CITIZENSHIP

U.S.: __Yes __No

If not U.S. Citizen,

Indicate status: _____

Mother's Last Name: _____ First: _____ Middle: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Physical Address: _____

Phone #: _____ (home) _____ (cell) _____ (work)

E-mail: _____

Father's Last Name: _____ First: _____ Middle: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Physical Address: _____

Phone #: _____ (home) _____ (cell) _____ (work)

E-mail: _____

Does this child have siblings also applying to and/or attending Ke Kula Niihau O Kekaha?

Name: _____ Grade (upcoming): _____

