

# **OUR VALUES IN PRACTICE**

'O Hawai'i ke kahua o ka ho'ona'auao. Hawai'i is the foundation of our learning

### **OVERVIEW**

On September 30, 2019, a group of twenty-one parents, students, and community members gathered to talk story about the phrase in the LCPCS mission statement, "...while instilling traditional cultural values." Using the HĀ Framework of six learning outcomes, participants shared behaviors, competencies, and beliefs that exemplify each of the HĀ outcomes. The Governing Board will use this information to inform its mission, vision and values decisions going forward. The HĀ outcomes and indicators noted below will provide guidelines and expectations for student behavior and social-emotional learning throughout the school day.

### LCPCS MISSION STATEMENT:

To emphasize hands-on learning and academic success where every student is known, valued and loved, using community partnerships and resources *while instilling traditional cultural values*.

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#### LCPCS VISION STATEMENT:

Families, staff and community working together to graduate successful learners who are job, school, and life-ready

Our vision places LCPCS at the heart of our community, a place where shared cultural and community values are transformed into action and everyone has a role to play in ensuring that students succeed, families are engaged, and teachers thrive. Students, parents, staff and community members envision the school as a place of high level achievement, family support, community engagement, and leadership development. Our community school will be place where the school culture supports continuous improvement; everyone believes all students can learn; instruction focuses on preparing students for their future; students make seamless transitions; supportive and successful relationships thrive; operations are effective, efficient, and transparent; decisions are evidencebased; individual responsibility and institutional accountability are the norm; and parents and community members are welcome on campus, and meaningfully involved in school governance and other activities. We envision a thriving school at the heart of the community, striving to learn and grow. The school becomes the center of daily life.

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## HĀ FRAMEWORK OF STUDENT OUTCOMES:



### STRENGTHENED SENSE OF BELONGING

- Welcome all members of our school community/affirm our commonalities
- Participate in community activities—sports, student government, service days
- Be kind to others and understand actions have consequences
- Seek to understand diverse cultural perspectives
- Take actions to build and support community improvement
- Respect different learning and communication styles
- Share your knowledge and background
- Lead by example and mentor others
- Listen to understand
- Be proud to be a *Seasider*
- Embrace ohana and cross-generational connections
- Learn about the plantation experience and the history of the Hamakua Coast

# STRENGTHENED SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY [Kuleana]

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- Be accountable for your actions and decisions; follow-through on commitments
- Seek opportunities for inter-generational, cross-age interactions and collaboration
- Volunteer for opportunities to improve yourself, your school, and community
- Assume responsibility for tasks and assignments at school such as homework, class projects, flag raising/lowering, clean-up, room monitor duties
- Commit to resolving conflicts don't let resentment build
- Mentor younger students and set a good example
- Take initiative don't wait to be asked

### STRENGTHENED SENSE OF EXCELLENCE

- Commit to excellence always do your very best
- Appreciate the achievements and contributions of others
- Cultivate an open and curious mind
- Use critical thinking and problem-solving skills
- Be patient and persistent
- Commit to lifelong learning
- Learn from your mistakes and successes

#### STRENGTHENED SENSE OF ALOHA

- Seek the good in others assume honest intentions
- Create environments of trust and mutual respect
- Value and nurture relationships
- Take time to celebrate and share our oneness as a community
- Show empathy and respect for cultural and individual differences
- Respect the past and use it to inform the future
- Connect with others through honest and open communication
- Be welcoming through kind and respectful behavior toward others
- Create opportunities for everyone to participate

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## STRENGTHENED SENSE OF TOTAL WELL-BEING

- Take actions in the present that honor the past and protect the future
- Acknowledge the positives in everyday experiences
- Take responsibility for personal health and emotional well-being
- Embrace continual self-improvement and ongoing learning
- Know yourself listen to your mind and body
- Choose thoughtful and intentional actions strive to do no harm

### STRENGTHENED SENSE OF HAWAII

- Learn about the people who came before us
- Seek to learn from one another
- Practice hands-on learning through cultural practices
- Learn everyday Hawaiian conversational words
- Respect the many cultures and traditions of Hawaii
- Honor the importance of place Hawaii is one thing we all have in common