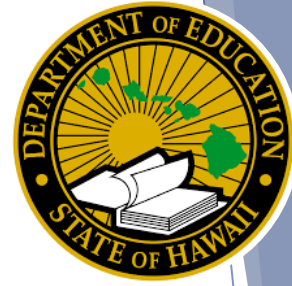




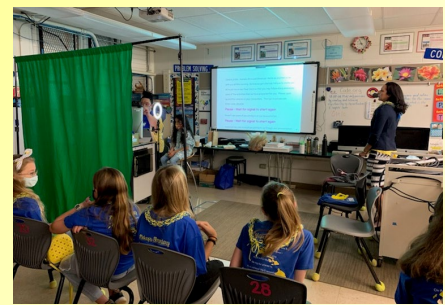
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# THE 5<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL TRANSITION CENTERS BEST PRACTICES CONFERENCE



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## 2022 **VIRTUAL** 3-DAY CONFERENCE

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**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30, 2022**

- 8:30 AM Welcome/Introduction of Special Guests  
Mr. Gary Kai, Hawaii Business Roundtable  
  
Ms. Phyllis Unebasami  
Deputy Superintendent, Hawaii Department of Education  
  
Mr. Jason Nakamoto  
Principal, Leilehua High School  
  
Mr. James Sunday  
Principal, Admiral Arthur W. Radford High School  
  
Ms. Cherry Okahara, Moderator  
Military Liaison, Hawaii Department of Education
- 9:00 AM James Campbell High School Presentation
- 9:45 AM Question & Answer
- 10:15 AM Closing Remarks



**JAMES CAMPBELL HIGH SCHOOL**

The JCHS Kipuka Transition Center, along with our Aloha Ambassadors, strive to ensure that all new students are supported and welcomed at Campbell High School. The Kipuka Transition Center was created to provide a place for new students to feel safe, make friends, and get information from their peer mentors about their new school and environment. The goal of the Center is to assist and empower our students toward emotional and academic success.



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**THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 2022**

- 8:30 AM Welcome/Introduction of Special Guests  
Mr. Gary Kai, Hawaii Business Roundtable  
  
Major General James B. Jarrard, USA  
Chief of Staff, U.S. Indo-Pacific Command  
  
Colonel Angenene L. Robertson, U.S. Air Force  
Director for Manpower and Personnel, U.S. Indo-Pacific Command  
  
Ms. Cherry Okahara, Moderator  
Military Liaison, Hawaii Department of Education
- 9:00 AM Major Sheldon Wheeler Middle School Presentation
- 9:45 AM Question & Answer
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**MAJOR SHELDON WHEELER MIDDLE SCHOOL**

The Transition Center provides an orientation experience that is designed to support the needs of students and families who are new to Wheeler Middle School. In the "Spirit Of Aloha", we want to make their recent move to our school as comfortable and informative as possible. The Transition Center is responsible for placement testing, familiarizing students with regulations and procedures, and conducting campus tours. While it is mandatory that students come through The Transition Center, it is a fun and lively environment that will make students feel welcome on their first day of school. The Transition Center is not limited to new students, our doors are open to all students who need help finding a class, need a duplicate ID or to log in to their accounts, and more. We enjoy spending time and seeing our students and families throughout their journey at Wheeler Middle School.



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## THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 2022 - DoDEA

- 1:30 PM Welcome/Introduction of Special Guests  
Mr. Gary Kai, Hawaii Business Roundtable
- Ms. Lois J. Rapp  
DoDEA Pacific Director and the Director of Student Excellence
- Ms. Cherry Okahara, Moderator  
Military Liaison, Hawaii Department of Education
- 1:45 PM Osan Middle High School Presentation
- 2:10 PM Kadena High School Presentation
- 2:25 PM School Discussion  
Osan Middle High School, Korea  
Kadena High School, Okinawa, Japan  
Admiral Arthur W. Radford High School  
Leilehua High School
- 2:40 PM Question & Answer
- 3:05 PM Closing Remarks

### OSAN MIDDLE HIGH SCHOOL



The Osan Middle High School's Student Transition Program serves to welcome incoming students, help them find their footing, and supports departing students as they transition away from OMHS and into their new school setting. This program incorporates student leadership training, increased responsibilities for students, and conducts school-wide social activities to promote cohesive social support for all students. Participating in this program fosters civic engagement, build social support networks for students, develops leadership and organization skills, and help students meet their college and career readiness goals.



### KADENA HIGH SCHOOL

The Kadena High School Student Transition program happily assists all new students transitioning into our school. Our goal is to bring students together by welcoming newly arriving students to create a positive environment, student academic excellence, and ease with transitions.



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**FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 2022**

- 8:30 AM Welcome/Introduction of Special Guests  
Mr. Gary Kai, Hawaii Business Roundtable
- Mr. Keith Hayashi  
Interim Superintendent, Hawaii Department of Education
- Ms. Sami Takai  
President, K. Mark Takai Foundation
- Ms. Theresa Sanchez, Moderator  
Educational Specialist, Hawaii Department of Education
- 9:00 AM Ala Wai Elementary School Presentation
- 9:45 AM Question & Answer
- 10:15 AM Closing Remarks

**ALA WAI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

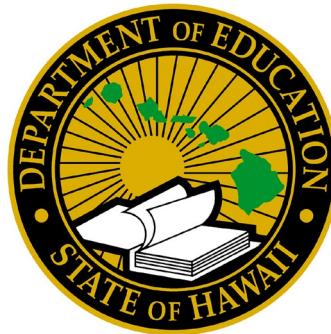
As a Leader In Me School, Ala Wai Elementary believes that all students have genius and are leaders that enrich our community. Ala Wai Elementary Transition Center is a program that is designed to help welcome all students and families to our school. Our transition center is made up of three main components: Aloha CREW, newcomers services, and family engagement. The Aloha CREW ambassadors, comprised of student leaders from all grade levels, help with transitioning new students to our community. We have incorporated a newcomers program to help our international students acclimate to a U.S. education system. Our center will also be used as a resource for our families to help with school to home connection. It is in this space that we will nurture relationships with our families and create a sense of belonging with our Ala Wai `ohana. Join us as we share our journey to design a space that empowers students to lead, learn, and thrive.



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