



HILO HIGH SCHOOL



School Profile 2017-18

SCHOOL and COMMUNITY

Hilo High School is a public high school located in a small city on the island of Hawaii in the State of Hawaii. It is approximately 200 miles by airplane from the state's only large city and capital, Honolulu. The city of Hilo is the county seat and in the past, the economic base was agriculture. Due to the plantation closings, it is now dependent on service-related industries.

Hilo High School students represent a wide diversity of racial and economic groups. The school is designated as a Title I school based on the Federal Free and Reduced Lunch Program criteria. The school community continues to work with many organizations and agencies.

MISSION STATEMENT

Our Hilo High School community prepares our students to:

- Value self and others and become
- Independent thinkers and
- Knowledge seekers in our changing global Society

ENROLLMENT

Hilo High School has a total enrollment of 1137 students in grades 9 - 12. The student body (in percentages) is Native American Indian/Alaskan –1% Hispanic – 4.2%, African American- 1%, Asian- 10.7%, Caucasian – 14.1%, Native Hawaiian/part Hawaiian – 48.4%, Filipino – 12.6% , Pacific Islander – 6.8%, and Other – 1.2%.

Seniors: 250	Juniors: 259
Sophomores: 286	Freshmen: 334

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Graduation Requirements:

All public high schools in the state of Hawaii require all graduating seniors of the Class of 2018 to earn a minimum of 24 credits. These credits must include the following:

	Diploma
English (To include Expository Writing)	4
Social Studies (To include required World, U.S. History, Participation in Democracy and Modern History of Hawaii)	4
Mathematics (To include Algebra 1 & Geometry)	3
Science (To include Biology 1)	3
Physical Education	1
Health	.5
Personal Transition Plan	.5
World Lang, Fine Arts, or Career/Technical Ed.	2
Electives	6

*In addition to earning a high school diploma, students may earn an honors recognition certificate in the following areas: Academic, CTE and STEM.

MARKING SYSTEM

Students receive grades of A, B, C, D, or F with the following numerical equivalents: A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1, and F=0. Advanced Placement courses are weighted with a plus 1; their numerical equivalents are: A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, and F=0.

Semester courses use semester grades and year courses use year grades to determine cumulative grade point average and cumulative rank. Cumulative grade point average and class rank are computed at the end of the first semester and at the end of the school year.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

As a comprehensive high school, Hilo High provides a wide range of programs including Advanced Placement courses in English Language, English Literature, United States History, Biology, Environmental Science, and Calculus. Honors courses in English, Social Studies and Science and Accelerated Programs in Math are offered. Students can participate in programs of study in five Career Pathways: Arts & Communication, Business, Health Services, Public & Human Services, and Industrial & Engineering Technology.

Alternative Learning Centers, both on and off campus, serve at-risk students. Special Education classes provide opportunities for students with special educational needs. The Performing Arts Learning Center after-school program located at Hilo High services students from East Hawaii in all aspects of drama, music, dance, and stage production.

For Advanced Learning Opportunities, students may participate in Early College on campus or Running Start programs at the University of Hawaii at Hilo and Hawaii Community College. Many others take online courses through the State Hawaii Virtual Network Program which offers a number of AP courses.

TESTING INFORMATION

School Code: 120015

COLLEGE BOARD TEST RESULTS:

Mean SAT Scores:	Total Mean Score	1051
	ERW	527
	Math	523

POST HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

The graduating classes for the past three years have sent 25% to four year colleges, 45% to two year community or junior colleges, 10% to the military, and 15% to work with 5% undecided. In addition to the University of Hawaii school system and private colleges within Hawaii State, students from Hilo High School are attending the following institutions:

Arizona State University	Pitzer College
Allegheny College	Princeton University
Barton College	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Boston University	Seattle University
The Boston Conservatory	Southern Utah University
Brown University	Southern Oregon University
California Polytechnic University-San Luis Obispo	Stanford University
California Lutheran University	University of California, Santa Cruz
Central Michigan University	University of California, Irvine
Central Washington University	University of Indiana
Chapman College	University of Nebraska
The Citadel	University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Colorado Mesa College	University of Northern Arizona
Colorado State University	University of Northern Colorado
Concordia University	University of Portland
Cornell University	University of Puget Sound
Culver-Stockton College	University of Oregon
Dartmouth College	University of the Redlands
Fashion Institute of Technology	University of San Diego
George Fox University	University of San Francisco
Indiana University	U.S. Military Academy – West Point
Keio University-Tokyo, Japan	Vanderbilt University
Linfield College	Vassar College
Loyola Marymount University	Virginia Tech University
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts	Washington University – St. Louis
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Wellesley College
Oberlin College	Western Michigan University
Pace University	William Penn University
Pacific University	Willamette University
Portland State University	Western Washington University

PROFESSIONAL STAFF

Principal: Robert Dircks

Vice Principals: Erin Williams, Jason Trimble, Heidi Pana

Athletic Director: Kurt Kawachi

Counselors: Kellie Frias (DH), Nilton Oyama, Julie-Ann Taniguchi, Dawn Tillery, Agnes Yamauchi

Registrar: Melissa Mitsuda

Faculty: 89

CAMPUS INFORMATION

Accreditation: Western Association of Schools and Colleges

Schedule: 7 periods on a rotating schedule, 20 weeks per semester.

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