



**STATE OF HAWAII**  
**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**  
LEEWARD DISTRICT OFFICE  
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Aloha Families,

Since March of this year, we have navigated six challenging months that emerged from the COVID pandemic. Thank you for your patience, understanding, and flexibility thus far, and we ask for your continued support moving forward.

All schools in the Pearl City-Waipahu Complex Area (PWCA) will start the second quarter on October 12, 2020 continuing the arrangements currently in place. From there, we will determine when and how schools can safely and gradually transition students to a “blended model” (combination of face to face learning and distance learning). Parents who wish to continue full distance learning for their children will still have the opportunity to do so.

PWCA will be utilizing Hawaii’s Department of Health’s (DOH) newly released guidance and local county transmission rate data to guide our decision making. Other factors that will be considered include but aren’t limited to: Current active cases in communities and schools, campus capacity for social distancing, and adequate staffing for health/safety.

When more information becomes available, PWCA schools will be contacting their respective families, allowing time to plan and make arrangements. Should you have any questions on this matter, please contact Specialist Maribeth Thompson at 692-8000 for assistance. Please continue to stay safe as we head into the final two weeks of 1st quarter, and have a restful fall break.

Mahalo,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Keith Hui".

Keith Hui  
Complex Area Superintendent  
Pearl City Waipahu

**Resources:**

DOH school guidance: [bit.ly/3clvOu2](https://bit.ly/3clvOu2)

DOH 14 day transmission rate: school models: [bit.ly/2G0Xyfk](https://bit.ly/2G0Xyfk)