



SPECIAL BULLETIN FOR WAIMEA AND KAPAA COMPLEX OF SCHOOLS

An unexpected crisis relating to a shortage of qualified school bus drivers and bus aides has caused the HDOE to take drastic measures to protect student health and safety. The following special procedures for Eleele Elementary, Waimea Canyon Middle, Waimea High, Kapaa El, Kapaa Middle and Kapaa High Schools shall take effect on Monday, August 7, 2017 and continue until the driver and aide circumstances change.

REGISTERING BUS RIDERS FOR THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR

- No changes. Parents and students must obtain a school bus handbook from the school office, tear off the back page, and return the completed application form (ST-70) to the school office for processing.

CREATING BUS PASS ACCOUNTS

- Certain bus routes at the above listed schools will be *temporarily consolidated* in order to reduce the current demand on CDL-licensed school bus drivers. The end result will be longer than normal wait times for some students after school.
- The Kauai District Transportation Office (241-7120) has provided the District with detailed information on the bus routes that are being temporarily consolidated. Parents and communities should be notified of these service adjustments directly using the most practical means available. HDOE will also post an announcement on the Hawaii DOE website.
- Students affected by the temporary route consolidations will receive FREE school bus service during the consolidation period. Please use the "District Directed" qualifier in SBT.
- School end SBT users are advised to NOT make adjustments to automated route assignments in SBT without prior guidance and approval from the Kauai District Transportation Office.

COLLECTING BUS PASS PAYMENTS

- No changes for fare paying students. Schools are expected to follow normal bus fare collection procedures during this interim period except for the special circumstances described above.

PROCESSING SCHOOL BUS FARE DEPOSITS

- No changes

BUS PASS POLICIES

- No changes

Parents with questions or concerns can be referred to the Get On Board Hotline at 808-586-0161. The Hotline is open Monday through Friday from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm. For more information, please contact your Kauai District Student Transportation Office at 241-7120.