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## Growing Great Minds September 2019 Newsletter

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### Give Aloha



*Learning that transforms lives*

To Help Our #Greatminds  
USE CODE: **77015**  
[assets-school.org](http://assets-school.org)



There are many ways to support our mission, while completing things on your to-do list. One of them is donating through Foodland's Give Aloha Program. Established in 1999 — in memory of beloved Foodland founder Maurice J. "Sully" Sullivan — Give Aloha honors his legacy of giving back to the local community in the month of September. Foodland contributes more than \$250,000 every year to match customer donations for nonprofit organizations.

Throughout the month of September, all Foodland Maikai customers are invited to make a donation to their favorite nonprofit organization. Foodland will generously match your donation. We hope you will consider donating to Assets School during this #GiveAloha month!

Give code **77015** at checkout.

**Mahalo for your support of Assets School!**

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### ILLUMINATION GALA: Volunteers Needed & Save the Date!



Planning is underway for our fabulous Illumination Gala. Please mark your calendars for **March 14, 2020**. This year, our event will be at the newly renovated 'Alohilani Resort in Waikiki.

Volunteers needed! Calling all of our enthusiastic parents, friends and helping hands. We are looking for assistance in planning and preparing for the event.

Volunteer meetings will be held on the following **dates**:

- **Friday, Sept. 13**
- Friday, Oct. 11
- Friday, Nov. 8
- Friday, Dec. 13
- Friday, Jan. 10

**Location:** K-8 campus conference room

**Time:** 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. **Coffee and doughnuts will be served!**

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## Email Extension Change: .net to .org



Earlier this year we launched our new website at [assets-school.org](https://assets-school.org). We transitioned from a '.net' extension to a '.org' extension for two main reasons:

- The '.org' extension indicates that we are a nonprofit organization.
- The '.org' extension has a better Google and key word ranking than '.net,' which means our website will be more easily searchable.

To ensure consistency across platforms, we also changed all school email address extensions (faculty, staff and students) to [@assets-school.org](mailto:@assets-school.org) before the start of this school year. If you have any '.net' addresses stored in your contact list, please update them.

We want to make sure that our community is aware of this change so your emails are properly routed to the correct addresses.

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## K-8 and High School Happenings



Our K-8 Open House was held on Sept. 3 and 4, welcoming current parents to spend a brief "day-in-the-life" of our students. Our Resource teachers opened their classrooms to share some of the amazing programs that the students have to look forward to this school year. Our homeroom teachers shared some of the engaging hands-on activities or projects that students are working on in their classes. K-8 Principal, Caitlin Mates, shared a brief recap on this event on her [blog](#).

Meanwhile, our high school students had their annual bonding retreat at Ice Palace last week. After skating their hearts out, students returned to campus and participated in a variety of activities including basketball, dodgeball, cooking, ping pong, video games, tabletop history simulation, working out in the fitness room, and watching movies. These events were planned and run by members of the Student Senate.



Assets' High School Mentorship Program extends learning beyond the curriculum in the classroom. It enhances self-esteem through career-related responsibility, and provides access to community role models. It helps students make critical connections between school-based academics and hands-on experience that support their personal and career development. The program kicked off this week with students spending their day at local businesses such as Mercedes-Benz of Honolulu, VCA Animal Hospital Kaneohe, Hans Hedemann Surf Shop, Fresh Catch, Honolulu Zoo, Lani Lea Flight School, Security and Sound Systems, H Power Computing, and Kaimuki Café to name a few. Stay tuned for updates on how our students are progressing throughout the year.

## Stay Connected



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Support Assets School Athletics. Check out the [Sports Calendar](#)

Caitlin Mates' [Blog Link](#)

Suzy Travis' [Newsletter Link](#)

## Key Upcoming Dates



### **Sept. 13:**

- First Illumination Volunteer Meeting (K-8 Campus)
- High School Picture Day
- Middle School field trip to Camp Erdman

**Sept. 18:** K-8 Picture Day

### **Sept. 19:**

- K-12 Parent Teacher Conferences (**no school**)
- Senior Class Car Wash at High School campus
- Senior Girls Volleyball Night (5 p.m. at Hawaiian Mission Academy with After Game Celebration at Damon Hall, Assets School)

### **Sept. 20:**

- K-12 Teacher Professional Development (**no school**)
- Junior Class Car Wash at High School Campus

**Oct. 4:** K-12 Teacher Professional Development (**no school**)

**Oct. 7-11:** K-12 School Spirit Week

**Oct. 14:** Discoverers' Day Holiday (**no school**)