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#### **Enrollment:**

K-12 290 High School 137

Financial Aid Recipients:

35%

#### **Accreditation:**

(WASC)
Western Association of
Schools and Colleges
(HAIS)
Hawaii Association of
Independent Schools

Assets High School

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#### Mission:

Assets School serves gifted and capable students, specializing in those with dyslexia and other language-based learning differences. We provide a strength-based program, complemented by outreach and training, that empowers students to become effective learners and confident self-advocates.

## **School and Community:**

Assets School was founded in 1955 to serve the needs of children experiencing difficulty in traditional school settings. The High School was added in 1991 and moved to it's own campus in 2015.

Research-based teaching methodologies and resources are utilized to provide integrated curriculum and instruction to help students reach their full potential. We strive to help students face their challenges, become strong self-advocates, and build tools to become effective, lifelong learners.

Assets School specializes in serving children and young people from 5 to 18 years of age whose capability is greater than their achievement. We serve a variety of learners and individualize the program to ensure each student is both challenged and supported to maximize their academic potential.

### **Curriculum & Methodology:**

Our curriculum is unique in that it is first informed by "who" we teach as opposed to a standards-based approach driven by traditional content objectives. Through strong teacher-student relationships, the teacher gains insights into the way each individual child learns and identifies tools and strategies that help to maximize those strengths and remediate and/or compensate for a student's challenges. Teachers use a wide variety of methodologies that are multi-modal and multisensory. We promote student driven learning opportunities such as project and problem-based learning. Threaded through this unique approach to instruction is an emphasis on study skills development (learning to learn) and the high school Schoolwide Learning Expectations (goals that target academic, personal, social, and civic growth).

# **College Attendance:**

Approximately 95% of graduates are accepted to college programs both on the U.S. Mainland and in Hawaii per year. Students that choose an alternative path to success are also closely guided in their career planning through our College and Career Counseling Program.

# Assets High School Profile 2022-2023

## **Grading:**

The grading scale is provided on our transcript. We calculate cumulative GPA based only on courses taken at Assets High School; however, credits are inclusive. We do not rank students. Grading is approached with the unique needs of our students in mind. It can be individualized in the same way that our curriculum is built around the students. If you have questions about the achievement or level of study reached by an individual student, please contact the college counselor for more detailed information.

#### **Graduation Requirements: 24.0 Credits Minimum**

- 4-English/Literature
- 3-Mathematics
- 3-Sciences
- 3-Social Sciences
- 4-Electives
- 1.5-Fitness & Life Skills (Health, P.E., College Career Guidance)
- 3.5-Mentorship (see Unique Course Offering Section)
- 2.0-World Languages
   (Select students exempt from this requirement based on their learning profile, typically additional English language based study skills courses are taken in place).

## **Unique Course Offerings:**

The High School Mentorship Program places students in positions at various companies and organizations, based upon their personal interests and qualifications. Students in grades 10-12 earn high school credit by working at their mentorship sites every Wednesday, October through April, for 5.5 hours each week. The Program creates an immersion type of learning environment by extending learning beyond the walls of the classroom, and providing critical connections between schools and careers, with access to community role models. Overall, the program enhances students' awareness about themselves, the work world, and how they can transition into a professional environment. The Mentorship program culminates each year in an Expo in which students present to an audience of peers, parents, and the public as an authentic demonstration of their learning.

**Self-Directed learning: (Flex classes)** are advanced study classes designed for independent students that allow them to define the trajectory of their own learning. Self-selected topics align with personal passions; learning objectives and evaluation processes are student-driven with teachers serving as guides who aid in problem-solving and hold students accountable for meeting their goals.

**Dual Credit:** For students whose interests exceed our offerings, we connect them with opportunities at local colleges for dual credit.

#### Standardized Testing:

Standardized testing is not mandatory. Limited entrance testing is available on campus each year with accommodations.

#### College Highlights: Class of 2023

94% were accepted into college programs on the US Mainland and Hawaii.

Students that chose an alternative path to success were also closely guided in their career planning.

# College and University Destinations 5 Year History

Arizona State Univ-Tempe

Bard College Baylor University

Bluegrass Comm & Tech College Brigham Young University-Idaho Brigham Young University-Provo

California State Polytechnic Inst-Pomona

**Chaminade University Honolulu** 

Chapman University

**Colorado Mesa University** 

Colorado Mountain College Colorado State University

Cuesta College
Curry College

**Embry Riddle Aeronautical Univ-Prescott** 

**Hawaii Pacific University** 

**High Point University** 

Johnson & Wales University

Kingswood College Landmark College Lewis and Clark College Linfield University

**Loyola Marymount University** 

Millsaps College

New York Film Academy Northern Arizona University

Orange Coast College Oregon State University Pacific Lutheran University Pacific Northwest College of Art

**Pacific University** 

Paul Mitchell the School Honolulu

**Pitzer College** 

Portland State University

**Reed College** 

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Saint Martin's University Santa Barbara City College

Savannah College of Art and Design

Seattle University Shenandoah Univ

**Sophia University-Japan** 

Southern Oregon University

Southwestern Oregon Community College

The American University of Paris The Evergreen State College

University of Arizona

**University of British Columbia** 

University of California-Irvine

University of Colorado-Colorado Springs

University of Hawaii-Manoa

University of Hawaii-Hilo

**University of Hawaii- West Oahu** 

University of Hawaii

Kapiolani Community College Kauai Community College Honolulu Community College Leeward Community College Windward Community College

University of Nevada-Las Vegas University of Montana-Western

University of Oregon University of Portland

University of Southern California

University of the Pacific

Univ of the Sunshine Coast (AUS)

University of Utah Utah Valley University Washington State University Wentworth Institute of Technology Western New Mexico University Western Oregon University

Wheaton College Whittier College Wyotech Institute

Class of 2023: (highlighted in blue)

4-year college: 87% 2-year college: 7%

