



Ke Ala Na'auao (KAN) Program

Embrace your past. Ignite your light. Forge a brighter future.

Discover Your Path

Ke Ala Na'auao—meaning “path to education/enlightenment”—honors Hawai'i's host culture and empowers students to navigate their educational journeys. Through mentorship, workshops, and cultural connections, the KAN Program inspires individuals to honor their roots, embrace their light, and move boldly toward a brighter future.

What We Offer

1. Middle and High School Outreach

Empower students with the tools to succeed academically and professionally through workshops led by college mentors. Workshop topics include Identity Building, College & Career Readiness, and Financial Literacy. Flexible workshops can fit into classroom schedules, after-school programs, or club activities.

2. 12th Grade College Preparation

Comprehensive support to high school seniors throughout the college application process, including assistance with college applications and enrollment, creating a Federal Student (FSA) ID, and completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, known as FAFSA.

3. First-Year College Support

Help new college students attending a University of Hawai'i campus transition successfully into their academic environment with personalized mentorship, campus-specific insights, and reminders about important deadlines and events.



Let's Work Together

The KAN Program offers tailored support to students at various stages of their academic journey while fostering cultural connection and personal growth. If you are interested in bringing this program to your school, organization, or community, [let's connect!](#)

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