

THE SCHOOL NEWS

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St. John Vianney School

Our school has begun classes for the new school year, and our campus is filled with laughter, children's voices, and excitement. We have enjoyed greeting our **returning students** and extended a warm aloha to our **new students, families and teachers!** Parents choose our school for their child because of our high academic standards and an education embedded with values. ... Our curriculum is a challenging one with high standards, strong motivation, effective discipline and an atmosphere of caring about each student. Every child is guided in their academic journey with the technology and skills to be successful. They are also given opportunities to work in community service projects for experience in leadership and service. ... Students are encouraged to become productive citizens and future leaders in our Church and in our community. Providing a Catholic education has been called the **greatest work of the Church.** Our goal is to provide students with on-going formation in their faith and to prepare them for success in higher education. ... We tell students every day, that God loves them, that Jesus walks with them in all things good and bad, that the Spirit is with them always, and that God has a unique plan for each of them. This is the **Catholic school difference.** We look forward to this school year being one filled with joy and many accomplishments! (Reported by Earl Walker)



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EDITOR'S CHOICE



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Hearts (ss.cc.). (Reported by Chantelle Luarca)

3 AIRPORT AREA

Holy Family School

We are pleased to announce the return of our **Spanish language**

program. Spanish language will be a core subject for our middle school students this year and was previously offered as a special subject. Spanish will be taught by long-time Holy Family teacher **Mrs. Michele Guarino**, who has educated HFCA students for 27

years. Mrs. Guarino is also an adjunct Spanish instructor for **Hawaii Pacific University's Military Campus Program** at Pearl Harbor. We are blessed to once again have her teaching Spanish here! (Reported by Julia Hudson)

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Maryknoll School

Aug. 9 marked the beginning of **another school year** for students at Maryknoll School. Here's to a year blessed with knowledge, friendships, and spiritual growth. Pictured is **Our Student Support Services Team** excited to welcome students back to school! From left, **Darcie Kawamura '90, Larry Kekaulike, Lisa Shorba '85, Marianne Guevara, Mike Moskal '95, Mariliz LaPorte '08, Gina Cobb.** (Reported by Lori A.K. Carlos)

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St. Anthony School

Our school began the new school year on Aug. 8 with a noon dismissal. **Students, parents and teachers** made their way to their classrooms looking all shiny and new. Making new friends and catching up with old ones made for a wonderful start. Wednesday was our first full day of school. The laughter, excited chatter, balls bouncing and the swish of baskets told us our campus was alive again. "Welcome Back, we missed you." (Reported by Patricia Barros)

6 MAKAWAO

St. Joseph Early Learning Center

The **2023-24 school year orientation** took place on Aug. 3. Each classroom had their own slotted time to visit their homeroom, drop off their school supplies, meet their teachers, and join in activities that will bridge home and school. In the photo you see the families and students from the **Ladybug Class** listening to the book "**If You Take a Mouse to School**" by **Laura Numeroff**, read by staff members. Parents and children were asked to take a paper lunch box home and decorate it, write a love note and bring it in on the first day of school with a family photo to help bridge the connection between home and school. It also correlates with the storybook to give students something to look forward to on the first days of school. We wish all schools a blessed year. (Reported by Helen Souza)

2 PEARL CITY

Our Lady of Good Counsel School

On Aug. 8, **Father Alberto Toutin**, superior general of the **Brothers of the Sacred Hearts**, and **Father Derek Laverty**, general vicar of Ireland and England, were welcomed by the Our Lady of Good Counsel School community. Students were able to ask them questions about their life in Rome and about their stay here in Hawaii. It turned out to be a wonderful and special Tuesday as we celebrated the Mass of the Holy Spirit and welcomed these special people of the **Congregation of the Sacred**

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