

Kihei Elementary School Case Study

Kihei Elementary School is located in the Baldwin/Kekaulike/Kūlanihākoʻi District, on Maui. The school is comprised of grades Pre K-Grade 5 and has a student body of 735 and a staff of 80. The dolphin community has focused on increasing opportunities for student voice through the following.

Dolphin Ambassadors

- We have 2 Dolphin Ambassadors from each class = 60 total
- Meetings are every Thursday and we have had 100+ meetings this school year thus far.
- A 4th grade Dolphin Ambassador volunteered to summarize all the notes from semester 1 and present her findings on Kihei School News: [Link](#)

K-5 Dolphin Ambassadors created a video about the Quaglia 8 Conditions: [Link](#)



Kihei School News

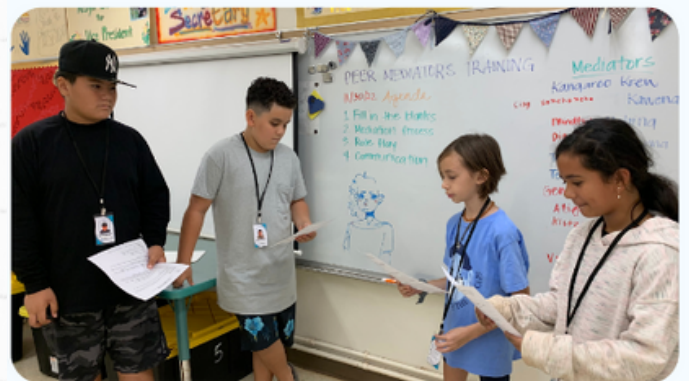


Kihei School News

- We have a daily morning broadcast that is student-run with a 5th grade broadcast crew
- All students are given an opportunity to be an anchor on broadcast, including students that are hearing impaired that do special video clips in ASL
- Weekly, they share their voice on growth mindset, their interests, and SVA Conditions

Peer Mediators

- We have 2 Peer Mediators from each 4th grade class
- They completed a one week training including role playing and are assigned one day per week during the lower (K-2) recesses to solve minor conflicts



Peer Mediators



Library Helpers (SY 22-23)

- Volunteers assist our Library Teacher in running day to day operations of our school library
- Students assist their peers with finding books, checking books in and out of the library system, reshelving duties, and maintenance of library collection
- After the yearly library fundraiser, students preview and select new and popular titles to purchase for the library collection

All Staff Professional Development

To support and continue embracing a culture of Student Voice at our school, we held professional development sessions (8/1/22, 1/11/23, 3/1/23). We introduced SVA with a team building activity utilizing the HĀ Framework. At our next session, we reviewed, reflected and discussed how teachers define student voice and use student voice in the classroom. We shared resources for them on the Maui Schools of Action website. Staff [Created Posters on Student Voice](#).