

# Child and Youth Program

## Parent Newsletter

September 2025

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**CYP Operating Hours:**  
0600-1800

### Laulima and Kupulau Child Development Center

#### **1<sup>st</sup> – Labor Day...All Centers Closed**

8<sup>th</sup> - National Literacy Day-Wow come and see what our children are doing at the CDC's today building a Book with Parent 1500-1700

9<sup>th</sup>- National Teddy Bear Day -Hug a Teddy Bear today – Winnie-the-Pooh, I love you

16- National Play Dough Day- How fun is that playing with play dough with Mom and Dad can't wait 1500-1700

19<sup>th</sup> - Let's Celebrate September Birthdays- Birthday Cake Yummy for all Tummy's

23<sup>rd</sup> – Let's Take a Nature Walk and see what we can see!!!

24<sup>th</sup> – Make art with our Nature Walk findings-Our children will be making wonderful masterpieces. Come and see what we are doing

### Kulia School Age Care Program

#### **1<sup>st</sup>- Happy Holiday All Centers Closed.**

8<sup>th</sup> – National Literacy Day – Wow!! Our youth at Kulia School Age Care Program love to read. Come and listen or read a book with us.

12<sup>th</sup>- Fall Crafts Show 1500-1700  
Come out and see the beautiful crafts that our youth at the Kulia School Age Care Programs have made. Lots of creative works over here!!

18<sup>th</sup> -Let's Celebrate September Birthdays- It's your Birthday Month!! Let's Celebrate!!

19<sup>th</sup> Talk like a Pirate Day. Our youth at Kulia School Age Care Program will teach you how to talk like a pirate. Grub, Ahoy Mate.

23<sup>rd</sup> – Let's Take a Nature Walk. Join us on our walk as we learn about the world around us.

24<sup>th</sup> – Make Art with Nature. Turning our nature walk into creative designs. Come & see the beauty our school-agers create.

## *Pay Tribute to our Working Americans*

"Every first Monday of September marks Labor Day, but do we even really know what that means? Labor Day is a day we pay tribute to the achievements of workers. As a result of the Industrial Revolution, many workers in the 1700-1800s were working long hours and in dangerous conditions to make ends meet.

Some of these workers were children as young as 5 or 6 years old. There were no laws protecting workers from unsafe conditions. Children were not protected to have a safe, carefree childhood or a right to education. As a result, labor unions grew more vocal, organizing strikes and rallies to support workers against these conditions. Teachers, doctors, leaders and activists fought for children to belong in schools, not factories.

The first Labor Day parade was celebrated in 1882, but it wasn't legalized as a worker's holiday until 1894. It's a day to commemorate those who have built and continue to build our communities. It is also a great reminder of how far we have come in protecting the rights of children so that they may have the chance to thrive in environments that support childhood, learning, and growth without the burdens of labor.

Labor Day Scavenger Hunt

Some Fun Labor Day Activities to Do with Children:

1. Drawing or making a post card to share with someone special

Create a card for mom and/or dad, the mailman, a healthcare worker, or care provider - sharing your appreciation with a card for someone else is a great way to recognize that individual during Labor Day.

2. Pretend/Play Dress Up

Children take interests in certain occupations - let them try on all the hats! Create a pretend day where they can play and pretend to be a firefighter or archeologist for the day.

3. Scavenger Hunt

Create a list of items for children to find that center around the theme of Labor Day.

<https://www.lovetoknow.com/celebrations/special-occasions/kid-activities-labor-day>

<https://www.imaginechild.com/2025/07/the-history-of-labor-day-for-students-why-it-matters/>





# KUPUHAU CDC



Many of our preschoolers transitioned into Kindergarten last month, which made way for younger children who have aged up, to move to a new age group. New rooms mean a new environment with fun and engaging toys and activities designed that promotes the development of each age child.

Moving children up ensures they are in a classroom environment that is developmentally appropriate for their skill level and interests and provides the right balance of challenges to assist with their growth and development. As with any transition, your child may need extra time getting used to the new faces and environment.

Please communicate with your child's caregiver and work together to make your child's day as smooth as possible. Our 3rd quarter Parent Advisory Board (PAB) meeting will be taking place this month. Keep an eye out at our front desk for the specific day and time.



# Laulima CDC

August, we welcomed some new faces to the Laulima CDC team! We are happy to have them on board. Children also enjoyed the last days of summer water play, seeing the Blue Angels, and Chalk the Walk. Thank you to the parents who attended Chalk the Walk!

Our dedicated staff are gearing up for our NECPA reaccreditation visit this fall. Please help us out by filling out a parent survey at the front desk.

As a friendly reminder, the MCBHO 5560.2 states that cars are not to be left running while unattended and "lap sitting" is not authorized in a motor vehicle.

Keep an eye out for our upcoming special events this month and our quarterly Parent Advisory Board meeting.

Over the past weeks, Laulima management has diligently worked to fill the vacant caregiver positions, to include a weekend job fair. We are happy to announce the arrive of new staff. Please join us in welcoming them to the team and assist us in helping them to get to know you and your child.



# Kulia SAC



We celebrated the end of summer with an End of Summer Luau. It was a great success!! The children did such an amazing job showing off their dancing skills. A huge shout out to Mavis for teaching the hula and coordinating the event.

The children have had a great first few weeks of school. We welcomed our new kindergarten children to SAC. They have done a wonderful job adjusting to their new schedule.

With the Fall season fast approaching we are planning for Fall Camp and our Fall festival.

If you have concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to speak to one of our management staff. We always have an open door and are happy to help.





## SEPTEMBER JOKE OF THE MONTH

**Q: Why did the bicycle fall over?**

**A: It was two tired**

**Q: Why is a baseball stadium always cool?**

**A: It is full of fans.**



**Q: What do you call a bear that's stuck in the rain?**

**A: Dizzy Bear**



## RECIPE OF THE MONTH BAKERY STYLE FRESH CRANBERRY MUFFINS

Ingredients:

### For the Muffins

- 2 ½ cups all-purpose flour
- 1 ¼ cup granulated white sugar
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ cup vegetable oil
- 2 large eggs (lightly beaten)
- ¾ cup milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 cup fresh or frozen cranberries

### For the Streusel Topping

- 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 3 tablespoons granulated white sugar
- 3 tablespoons butter (cut into cubes)
- ½ teaspoons ground cinnamon



### Direction

#### Get prepped

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.
2. Prepare a muffin tin by lining with paper muffin cups or spray with non-stick spray.

#### Make the batter

1. In a large bowl, whisk together the flour, sugar, baking powder and salt.
2. Make a well in the center of the dry ingredients and add the oil, beaten eggs, milk and vanilla. Stir just until everything is combined.
3. Fold in the cranberries and then scoop the batter into the muffin tin filling them right to the top.

#### Make the Streusel Topping

1. To make the streusel topping, combine the flour, sugar, cinnamon and butter in a small bowl. With your fingers, work the butter into the dry ingredients until it resembles crumbs.

#### Bake

1. Sprinkle the streusel on the tops of the muffins then place on the center rack of the oven to bake.
2. Bake for 28-30 minutes until lightly golden and a toothpick comes out clean.
3. Allow to cool and then move to an airtight container for storage.

## FUN THINGS TO DO IN HAWAII IN SEPTEMBER

- ◆ Cirque du Soleil - Auana
- ◆ Aloha Festival
- ◆ Hawaii Swim Show
- ◆ 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Pizza Eating Contest at Wet 'n' Wild Hawaii
- ◆ Butterfly Tea Every Second Saturday of the Month - Butterfly Keiki Tea with Paradise Monarch
- ◆ Slammeduff Hawaii Car Show