

# Parent Newsletter



Kulia Youth Activities

February 2019

**Dates to Remember:**

**February 6**

Kindergarten Readiness Fair - 4:30-6 (Mokapu Mall)

**February 8**

Valentine's Teen Dance 6:30-9

**February 11**

Non-school day

**February 14**

Valentine's Day

**February 18**

CYP Closed  
President's Day

**The month of February is:**

**Black History Month:**

Black History Month first originated as part of an initiative by writer and educator Dr. Carter G. Woodson in 1926 and was established by President Gerald Ford in 1976. Black History Month celebrates, recognizes and values the inspirational individuals and events from within the African-American communities. During February, we remember and celebrate the important people from the past and also who contribute to and help our society today.

**American Heart Month:**

Each February we celebrate the American Heart Association's American Heart Month, a time that reminds us to focus on heart health and overall wellness. American Heart Month was enacted in 1963 and first celebrated in February of 1964. It's the perfect time to kick off a new, healthier lifestyle.



**MCBH Tax Center**

If you need assistance with filing your taxes, the MCB Tax Center is offering free tax preparation services Jan 28—May 1 at Bldg. 455 (across from the Family Housing Office and next to Kulia Youth Center) Monday—Friday 0830-1630. Phone: 808-257-1564

If you need your child care statement for 2018, which reflects your childcare payments for the year, please inquire with the front desk staff.

Anchored4Life is a transition and Resiliency Club to support military and civilian youth, which aims to develop *happier, healthier, and more confident* kids.

The Anchored4Life program:

- Teaches and reinforces life skills to help kids connect with their peers and community during transitions
- Provides growing opportunities to increase competency and character by positively addressing setbacks.
- Builds confident leaders who inspire others by contributing to a caring and supportive environment.

Kulia staff and Team Leaders (children) received training last month and look forward to continuing to implement this exciting program at SAC!



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**Tax I.D. Number:**  
**99-0267668**

**February is  
Dental Health Month**

Here are some tips on keeping your teeth clean:

- \*Brush your teeth at least twice a day\*
- \*Floss daily to remove plaque\*
- \*Eat a well-balanced diet\*
- \*Use good toothpaste\*
- \*Drink lots of water\*
- \*Go to the dentist regularly\*



# February Programming

We are excited to be starting up our BGCA Club Programs once again.

The Caregivers will be facilitating Clubs focusing on creativity, health & fitness, culture, and healthy habits.

Each club will run weekly and the children may choose to take part or choose to work in another area of the program. Our goal is to keep the children engaged by providing activities that are built upon and around their interest and skill level.

We are also looking to increase parent involvement. If you have a special skill, talent, or hobby, or would love to come in and cook with the children, please let us know, and we will get you scheduled.

We are also excited to announce we will be participating the BGCA National Fine Arts Exhibit Contest. Throughout February and into March, we will be focusing on different types of art media. The children will be creating art that will eventually be displayed at an Art Exhibit that will be held here at our program. We are looking forward to seeing what the children will be creating over the next several weeks.

## Welcome to Kindergarten!

You are invited to attend Annual Kindergarten Readiness Fair, Wednesday, February 6, 2019 from 4:30 – 6:00 PM @ Mokapu Mall, MCB Hawaii. You will be able to obtain information on:

- ♥ Kindergarten enrollment
- ♥ Kindergarten Readiness
- ♥ Options for children who miss the DOE Kindergarten age cutoff date

Children who are 5 years old by July 31, 2019 are eligible for enrollment into kindergarten for the 2019-20 school year. Children who turn 5 after July 31<sup>st</sup> are eligible to enroll the following school year. Knowledgeable staff will be available to answer questions and provide you with information and resources related to school readiness.

Please contact Resource and Referral, at 808-257-7430, for more information.

**This is a free event!**  
**Prize giveaways and light refreshments provided.**

## Did You Know...

- ♥ While in a CYP facility or on the premises, any person other than employees and family members bringing or picking up children are considered visitors and must sign in and out of the facility, wear identification, and are escorted or are within line of sight of staff that have completed, favorable backgrounds checks. (DoDI 6060.021)
- ♥ School Age Care has a Parent Board to discuss program concerns and to provide recommendations for improvement. The Board, meets on a quarterly basis and the minutes are posted on the lobby bulletin board. The next meeting is scheduled for 20 February at 1700. Hope to see you there.
- ♥ All CYP facilities are required to conduct a 100% ID check. Please have your ID available to show to the desk personnel and classroom caregivers. Mahalo for your cooperation.

## Staffing Updates

We were very saddened to say farewell to our Program Leads, Ms. Annie & Ms. Aubrey, over the holidays. We look forward to filling those positions soon.

We are happy to say that we are fully staffed in the classrooms.

A special shout out to all our Program Assistants for working so hard providing fun and challenging activities for the children.

An extra shout out to Ms. Mavis at the front desk and Ms. Cal, our custodian for tirelessly working on keeping our program up and running and looking so good.

We have also had to say farewell to Ms. Amy our Training & Curriculum Specialist. Amy will be bringing her expertise to Kupulau CDC and helping them with their training. We will miss her very much as she has done tremendous things for our program.

We welcome Ms. Sherri Woodby. She has been a Trainer and is currently an Assistant Director. Ms. Sherri comes to use with many years of experience. We look forward to working with Ms. Sherri here at Kulia SAC!