

## KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS GROUP 70 INTERNATIONAL, INC.

The cosmogonic genealogies of Hawaiians recognize a shared ancestry with our islands and all the native life that exist upon them. Just as these natural elements have evolved together over many thousands of years to shape the unique native ecosystems and landscapes of Hawaii, so too have these native landscapes shaped our cultural identify, traditions, and practices as a people. Wahi kūpuna or ancestral places, the reminding presence and essence of our kūpuna, serve as the repositories of ancestral knowledge for us to strengthen our own identity in today's world. Acknowledging the profound depths of these relationships, the Kahua Hana (Foundational Principle) of the Kamehameha Schools' 2011 Cultural Resource Management Plan is "I Hawai'i no nā Hawai'i i ka 'āina," We are kanaka Hawai'i because of the 'aina. With holdings of over 365,000 acres on five islands, the land legacy of the Kamehameha Schools provides a link to a chiefly lineage and the special relationship our ancestors had to these lands. This Plan provides a strategic implementing action framework to acknowledge this kaumaha and to mālama i ka 'āina a nā wahi kūpuna. With an intended focus to inspire, enrich, and nurture the cultural sustenance of today's generation by connecting kanaka to 'āina, four Pōhaku Kihi (Cornerstone Goals) establish the strategic direction of the Plan:

- Ho'oma'a: Collect knowledge and understand the integrity and threats to cultural resources
- Ho'omalu: Ensure protection and appropriate level of stewardship for all known cultural resources
- Ho'omana: Restore and interpret wahi kūpuna as living cultural landscapes
- Ho'omau: Support and foster the development of future cultural resource managers

## The outcomes of the Plan include:

- Balancing educational, cultural, economic, environmental, and community returns through effective land & resource management that support the educational mission
- Creating cultural resource stewardship programs that protect and enhance the quality and integrity of wahi kūpuna
- Integrating Hawaiian cultural values in land & resource management practices that promote stewardship

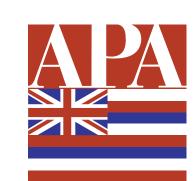
## These outcomes will be measured through:

- Increased knowledge of our lands
- Proactive site protection of cultural resources
- Restoration and adaptive reuse of cultural resources • Increased educational & stewardship opportunities

The impact of the Plan will support the mission of KS through:

- Restored relationship between kānaka and 'āina
- Revival of cultural practices that inspire and enrich cultural well-being

The APA Awards jury selected this project for recognition since it provides a significant shift from resource inventory and risk management to define protective measures in concert with creating adaptive reuse and sustainable use opportunities. It is commended for an analytical approach that recognizes the connectivity and continuity between the physical and ethereal realms of ancestral places. With over 365,000 acres in agricultural or conservation lands, Kamehameha Schools has the opportunity to be a global leader and model for cultural resource stewardship.



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