



**UNIVERSITY LABORATORY SCHOOL**

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August 14, 2020

Aloha K-5 ULS Parent and Guardians,

On Monday, August 10, 2020, a letter was sent out notifying parents of a change due to Gov. Ige's announcement that schools will be doing distance learning for the first four weeks of the quarter. We have made changes to our ULS Return to Campus Plan, which includes the distance learning plan. We have included additional information in this letter pertaining to the opening of the school year under our revised plan.

**IMPORTANT!**

Your child's first day of online classes is on Monday, August 17, 2020. School starts at 8:00am. Your child will be required to attend online live classes daily for the different subject areas. Please look over the schedule in the ULS Distance Learning Plan. The Elementary schedule can be accessed at this [link](#).

Your child's teacher will be sending you an email with the Google Meet links for the online meetings.

Parents of students in grades K-5 will be provided with the access codes for their child's teacher Seesaw page prior to the first day of school.

Mahalo,

A. Keoni Jeremiah  
Principal

**[ULS Distance Learning Plan](#)**

Please read through the [distance learning plan](#) to learn about the new updates regarding online learning for students in grades K-12. In the plan you will find the daily learning schedule for students in grades K-12. This schedule will start on Monday, August 17, 2020 and continue for the next four weeks.

**Attendance**

Starting on Monday, August 17, 2020, students will be required to login to their online classes between 7:55 and 8:00am. Teachers will be taking attendance and submitting it for the official school attendance record. Students who do not login by 8:00 am will be counted as absent.

## **Student Planner**

Student planners play an integral part of the Learning Workshop class in elementary, Learning Laboratory class in middle school, and as an organization tool in high school. All students in grades K-8 will receive their planner in the learning materials pick-up this week.

## **Grading**

During distance learning, students will be assigned work using the online educational platform, Seesaw. Teachers will use these assignments to assess student learning and growth. Please contact your child's teacher if you have any questions regarding your child's progress.

## **2020-2021 Powerschool Access Information for Parents/Guardians**

ULS utilizes PowerSchool, a web-based school information system. Through this system, we help provide students and their parent/guardian(s) access to their child's progress and attendance via the Internet.

- A technology access letter for new families was mailed last Friday. This letter provides information on how to set up your parent/guardian PowerSchool account.
- For returning families, if you have an existing PowerSchool account from last year, it will be reactivated beginning on Friday, August 14. You may continue to use your existing username and password that you set up previously.

If you need your access code again or have any technical support questions regarding PowerSchool, please contact one of our IT staff on the ULS PowerSchool hotline at 956-7649 or [powerschool@universitylaboratoryschool.org](mailto:powerschool@universitylaboratoryschool.org) after the first day of school.

## **Laptop Contracts and AUP for SY 2020-2021**

Technology information was sent home in the June mailout. It shared important information regarding our ULS technology program. Thank you to those who turned in and signed the acknowledgement form which included the AUP.

This week you were given your child's school issued laptop at the learning materials pick up. Included with your child's computer was an instruction sheet on how to help your child login to their ULS Google account. Now that you have the computer in hand, please take some time to read through the laptop contract linked below. The contract provides important information regarding proper care of the laptop and student expectations on responsible use. Once you have read through the contract, submit the K-5 Laptop Contract Acknowledgement Form linked below. We ask that you submit this form by Monday, August, 24, 2020.

## **Laptop Contract**

Read: [2020-2021 Laptop Contract \(Gr. K-5\) \[PDF\]](#)

Submit: [K-5 Laptop Contract Acknowledgement Form](#)

## **Welcome Message**

The ULS Elementary teachers are so excited to meet all of their students. Here is a very special welcome message from them to start off the school year. They look forward to seeing all of their students online on Monday! Click on the [link](#).