

Harvesting Kindness

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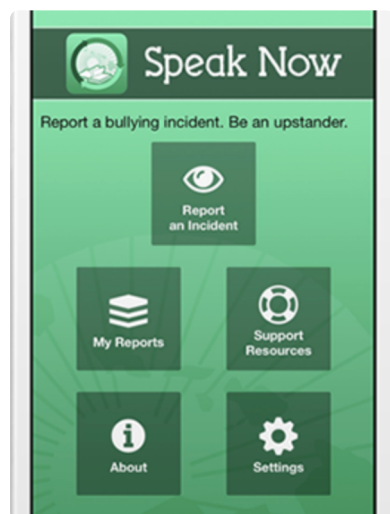
October symbolizes harvest, transition, and reflection. This is a good time to reflect on our actions and to prepare for a fresh start. We can do this by showing aloha to ourselves and others!

Aloha At Home ♥

Aloha at Home strives to increase positive outcomes for children and families. They support the healthy development of Hawai'i's children and to strengthen families through [Aloha Values](#). They provide resources, activities, webinars, games, support groups, and information for parents to navigate the difficulties of raising children.



October is National Bullying Prevention Month 🚫



Our Hawai'i public schools believe every student deserves a safe, respectful learning environment—both in school and online. Bullying, in any form, undermines the well-being and success of students. That's why we are committed to empowering students, families and communities with tools and resources to prevent and address bullying. From proactive prevention programs to easy-to-use reporting tools like the [Speak Now HIDOE app](#), we work hand-in-hand with our communities to promote a culture of respect, responsibility and empathy. Together, we can ensure every student feels supported and safe, so they can thrive academically and emotionally.

Fall Fun and Festivities 🎃



Honolulu Family - Pumpkin Patches and Fall Festivals

[Honolulu Family](#) has a list of family events to enjoy. Take a tractor ride, choose the perfect pumpkin, make s'mores around the campfire, learn to line dance, and so much more!



Hawai'i Parent - Guide to Fall Events

Here are some of the best fall events happening across the islands this season provided by [Hawai'i Parent](#). Join community fall festivals, shop locally made goods, and enjoy a trunk-or-treat, just to name a few!

Every Day Counts! 🕒



As we look ahead to the 2nd quarter of school, this is a good time to reflect on your child's school attendance. **Missing just two days a month (including excused and unexcused absences) can add up to being chronically absent, and require further interventions.**

Please download the [2026-2027 School Year Attendance Calendar](#) to keep track of your child's attendance, because every day counts!

This newsletter is a joint collaboration of the DOE Central District's School Social Workers and Human Services Professionals. The purpose is to highlight information that you may find useful, and does not serve as a comprehensive list. We do not endorse any specific organization. Mahalo!



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