Congratulations to our 2021 Graduates!



I'd like to thank my 'ohana for sending me to this school and giving me a good education, my friends for making me feel at home here, and my teachers for shining light on parts of our world that I didn't know about before. I feel confident that I'll have a great time in middle school using the skills and knowledge that I've learned here. ~EA, graduate





We bid a fond farewell to **Amanda Rau**, who moved on after teaching the 'Ohi'a K/1st class for three years. Aloha, Miss Amanda!

Student Financial Aid Fund ~ \$35.758

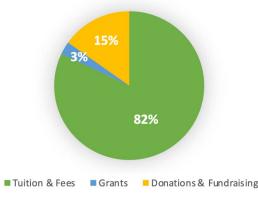
- The McInerny Foundation
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- St. James Episcopal Church
- Malama Na Keiki Fundraiser
- WCS Parent Association
- Restricted Donations*

FOOD PANTRY - MAHALO!

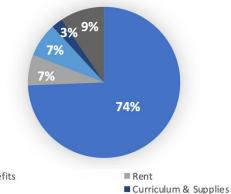
Our WCS 'Ohana donated 647 lbs of food and supplies to the Annunciation Community Food Pantry to help fight hunger in our community. This is the 12th year of our partnership.



WCS Income 2020/2021











Annual Report ~ 2020/2021

Waimea Country School's mission is to educate children to become confident, responsible, and compassionate people.



Teacher Laurel Matsuda and Head of School Amy Salling, hired in 2006, celebrated 15 years at WCS. Mrs. Matsuda prepares children for middle school and beyond, graduating more than 75 students during her tenure as Koa 4th/5th multiage teacher. Ms. Salling joined WCS as a multiage specialist, becoming Interim Head of School in February 2007. The Board of Trustees named her Head of School 18 months later. These two professionals have led the way in creating the progressive, dynamic, respected learning program that is Waimea Country School today.

The global pandemic made everything challenging, but we found ourselves well-suited to adjust to protocols needed to maintain safe, in-person learning. Our small size, open communication with families, spirit of cooperation and trust, the beautiful Hawai'i climate, and outdoor learning spaces all lent to our success. We staved focused on the growth and development of our keiki, refusing to be defined by the virus, and completed the year with no cases of COVID in our community.

We missed having our WCS 'Ohana together for events but still held a student talent show, a hula showcase, science fair, literacy day, and more. Students made connections with scientists online - such as astronaut Leland Melvin who gave a tour of the International Space Station - and learned about the art of carving a wa'a during an ongoing demonstration at the Kahilu Theatre. Learning happens here!

875+ volunteer hours contributed by 93 adults and children

Our Waimea Country School 'Ohana contribute in many ways, giving their time, energy, creativity, expertise, and hard work because they are inspired to fully engaged in our community. Mahalo!





Volunteers Make a Real Difference

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Our small size, commitment to

health and safety, open and

hardworking faculty, and

enabled us to hold school

in-person this whole year.

thriving.

And the children at WCS are

We can't party, but we can still

build our future by supporting

education. Thank you!

outdoor learning spaces have

clear communication,

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Donations for Student Financial Aid ~ \$9,275

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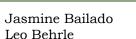
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"We are beyond excited to be a part of this amazing community who has accepted us arms wide open, and we could not think of a better situation for our family. [Our] family would like to reciprocate our appreciation with [this donation] to WCS.

Please use this donation for the area of greatest need, but it's our hope it goes toward compensating and retaining existing staff. It's been a trying year for many families and it's our hope this gesture can help out."

~Current WCS Family



in the name of **Sarah Northrup Stafford** in recognition of her 37 years of teaching.

