



Konawaena High School

School Code: 374

Grades 9-12

School Status and Improvement Report School Year 2019-20



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Focus On Standards

This School Status and Improvement Report has been prepared as part of the Department's education accountability system to provide regular, understandable accounts of our schools' performance and progress, as required by §302A-1004, Hawai'i Revised Statutes.

This report describes the school and its setting; provides information about the school's administrators, teachers, students and facilities; summarizes progress made based on the school's improvement plan; and reports student achievement results along with other vital signs.

School Description

Located on the slopes of Mauna Loa in Kealahou, Konawaena High School is one of two comprehensive public high schools that service West Hawaii. The school boundary extends 35 miles from Kailua-Kona south to Honolua. The school's diverse population reflects the evolution of agrarian and resort lifestyles in the Kona district. It is a Title I school.

The school offers comprehensive academic and elective programs, honors courses, 12 Advanced Placement (AP) classes, 24 credits of on-campus early college courses, a full CTE pathway program, JROTC, and a large complement of co-curricular activities and athletics. The school participates with Hawaii Community College, Palamanui in the Early College program and has many work-study partnerships through the Huiana Work Internship Program.

Konawaena is a member of the Big Island Interscholastic Federation (BIIF) and Hawaii High School Athletic Association (HHSAA), consistently winning league and state championships in a variety of sports.

Konawaena offers programs for students with disabilities and/or limited English proficiency skills, full counseling services, and a Hawaii Community College-sponsored building and construction academy. Graduates typically enter two/four-year colleges, the workforce, military, or trade schools. The most recent graduating class received over \$3M in post-secondary scholarships and waivers.

The faculty is currently comprised of 60 full-time teachers and counselors. The school also employs two athletic healthcare trainers, a part-time Internship coordinator, two part-time check and connect counselors and several other part time staff to support academics.

The school uses Achieve 3000 and IXL math program for students needing additional reading and math instruction; offers math workshop support classes in algebra II and trigonometry; and has partnered with The McCarley Group as its academic consultant. The McCarley Group works with teachers during their scheduled Professional Learning Community time (upwards of 200min/week within the school day) to improve instructional practices. Konawaena also has a parent involver that helps coordinate parent communication and events, an active scholarship foundation, and a host of supportive alumni.

In February 2020, Konawaena High received firm continuation of its full six-year accreditation term from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). Recent WASC reports have stated "Konawaena High School deserves commendation for their newly structured Instructional Leadership Team and for embracing the practices and processes which are being implemented as a result. This team is very cohesive and cooperative with each other and, together with the new provider Bilinsky (now McCarley), there is clear evidence of trust in the decisions the team has made. Teachers' classrooms are open to peers and other visitors, and they are committed to instructional feedback to improve student learning. Evidence of common language, strategies and learning goals exists in all classrooms visited and the strength of the leadership team foretells continued success in strengthening instruction for the benefit of students."

School Setting

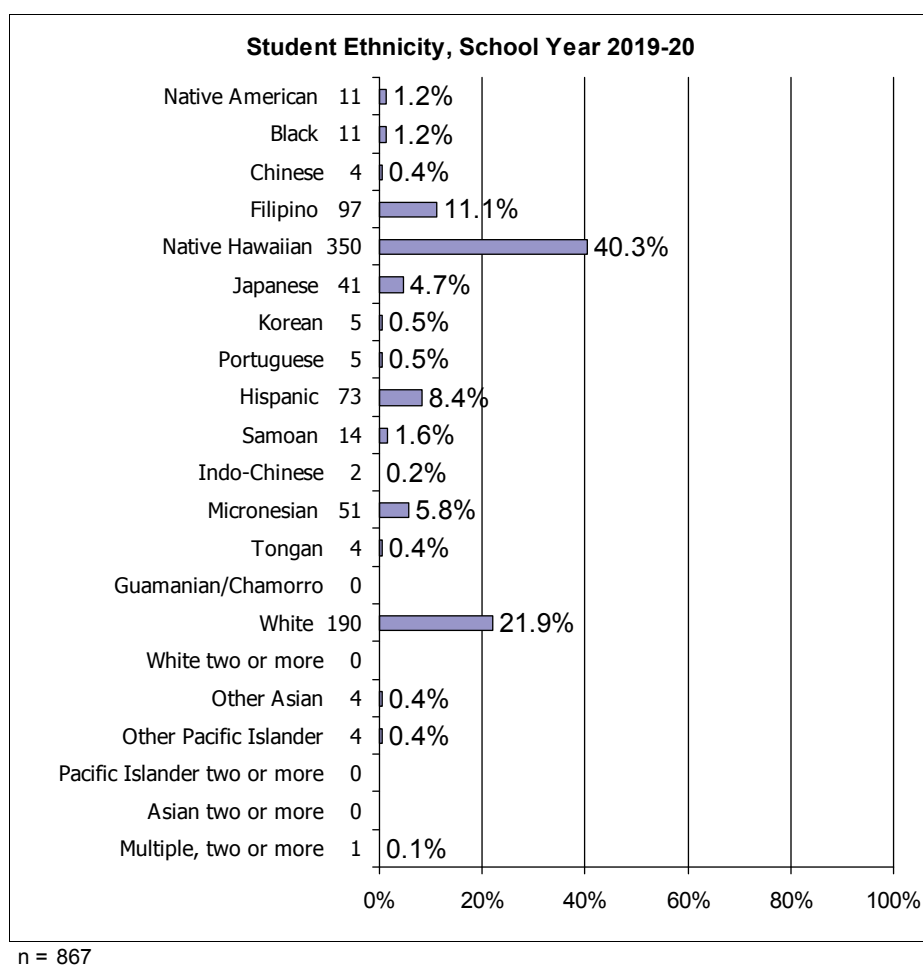
Student Profile

School year	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20		2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Fall enrollment	832	831	867	Number and percent of students in Special Education programs	99	96	96
					11.8%	11.5%	11.0%
Number and percent of students enrolled for the entire school year	747	751	792	Number and percent of students with limited English proficiency	63	78	81
	89.7%	90.3%	91.3%		7.5%	9.3%	9.3%
Number and percent of students receiving free or reduced-cost lunch	476	476	484				
	57.2%	57.2%	55.8%				

Note. -- means missing data.

* means data not reported to maintain student confidentiality (see FERPA).

** means School is participating in the Community Eligibility Provision.



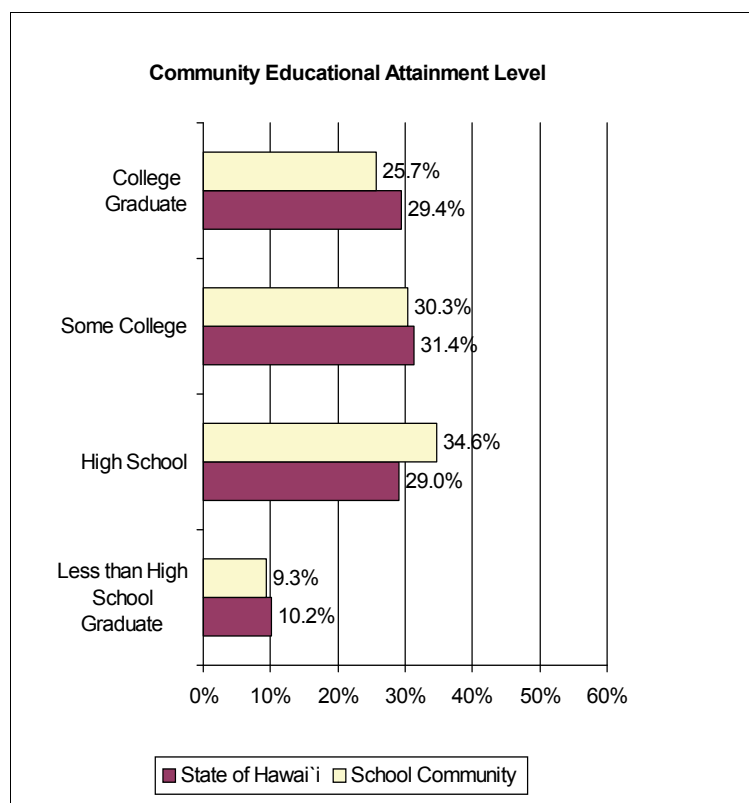
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Community Profile

The *Community Profile* information updated in this school report reflects selected 2010 demographics for the High School Complex (HSC) area in which this school resides. Profile data are based on the 2010 U.S. Census, the American Community Survey (ACS) 2006-2010 five-year estimates (centric to 2008), and the incorporation of Hawaii's HSC boundary areas with updated 2010 Census geography. Figures for educational attainment and median household income are sample estimates obtained from the ACS, adapted to conform to HSC geography, and should be considered rough approximations of census counts.

Based on the 2010 U.S. Census

Konawaena HSC	School Community	State of Hawai'i
Total population	12,291	1,360,301
Percentage of population aged 5-19	16.9%	18.4%
Median age of population	44.4	38.6
Number of family households	2,972	313,907
Median household income	\$61,609	\$66,420



School Improvement

Summary of Progress

During SY 2018-2019, Konawaena High School's Instructional Leadership Team (ILT) made as its major school-wide focus perseverance and growth mindset. Not only for students, but for all staff as well. This was supported by a three-day session with students and staff conducted by Mr. Trevor Ragan of Train Ugly culminating in a session for all Konawaena Complex teachers during the common planning and collaboration day.

In addition, Konawaena was able to meet many academic and financial plan goals. Some highlights were:

Academic

- Teacher-initiated peer observations on a consistent basis
- DH PLC leadership structure
- Began summer transition program for incoming
- Course-alike data team cycles in all departments that focus on instructional improvement and student learning
- SBA scores remained consistent with state averages with a rise noted in EOC Biology
- Continued work with Palamanui to improve our Early College program
- Class of 2019 received over \$3.5M in post-secondary scholarships and waivers
- New course offerings including AP computer science, arts and crafts, drama, and creative writing
- SCC continues its annual classroom visit and feedback session

Athletic

- Several team and individual BIIF titles
- Recent HHSAA state titles in girls basketball, girls volleyball, and boys cross country
- Continue to support the only public school club Lacrosse team in the state, second time state runners up
- Students received numerous individual accolades for their achievements

Health and Other Accomplishments

- First high school in West Hawaii to be Blue Zones certified
- Active Wellness committee
- School-wide community student showcase in partnership with Keauhou Shopping Center
- Huiana for-credit job internship program in its fifth year
- KTA partnership (floor space and sales of trademarked Konawaena High products through CTE program)
- 12-minute run/walk challenge
- Multiple PBS Hiki No appearances
- Showcase in partnership with Keauhou Shopping Center

Upcoming for SY 2019-2020

- Adding two more early college classes
- Doubling our numbers in our Huiana Internship program
- WASC accreditation one day revisit
- First year for our freshman bridge summer program
- Trauma Informed school training and focus
- Social Emotional Learning as a foundation
- Gear Up grant with more college and career readiness activities

School Resources

Certified Staff

Teaching Staff

Total Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) ¹		54.0
Regular Instruction, FTE	79.6%	43.0
Special Instruction, FTE	16.6%	9.0
Supplemental Instruction, FTE	3.7%	2.0

Teacher headcount		54
Teachers with 5 or more years at this school		28
Teachers' average years of experience		10.0
Teachers with advanced degrees		18

Professional Teacher Credentials

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Fully licensed	85.1%	46
Emergency hires	14.8%	8

¹ Totals may not equal 100% due to rounding.
Professional Teacher Credentials are based on teacher headcount number.

Students per Teaching Staff

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Regular Instruction	17.9
Special Instruction	10.6

² These figures do not indicate class size.

Administrative and Student Services Staff

Administration, FTE	5.0
Librarians, FTE	0.0
Counselors, FTE	2.0
Number of principals at this school in the last five years	1

³ Administration includes Principals, Vice-Principals, Student Activity Coordinators, Student Services Coordinators, Registrars, and Athletic Directors

Results in the Certified Staff section reflect data at the time the Employee Data reports were generated.

Facilities

School Year Ending 2020

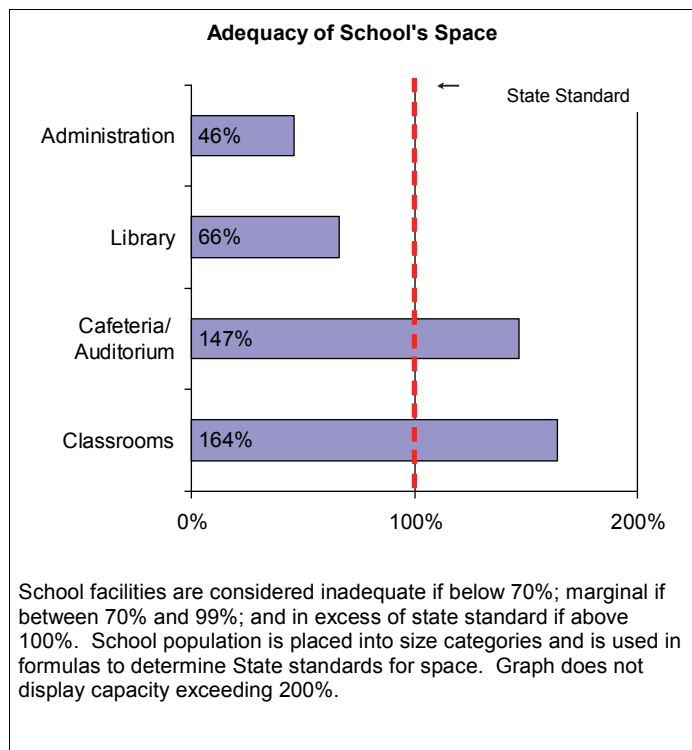
Classrooms available	70
Number of classrooms short (-) or over (+)	2

School facilities inspection results

From the 2011 school year, school facilities inspection data are no longer available at the state level. Department schools are still required to do an annual assessment of its facilities in the following areas: Grounds, Building exterior, Building interior, Equipment/Furnishings, Health/Safety and Sanitation. All department schools should have their annual inspections completed by the second quarter of the school year.

Historically, the majority of the department schools attained inspection assessment points in the following ranges: 9-15, earning a "Satisfactory" rating, and 16-18 points, earning the highest "Very Good" rating.

Note. -- means missing data.



Vital Signs

School Quality Survey

The School Quality Survey (SQS), administered by the Accountability Section, is used for strategic planning and to comply with state accountability requirements.

Percent of Positive Responses

School Quality Survey *		Teachers		Parents		Students	
		School	State	School	State	School	State
Safety	2019	65.1%	72.7%	67.9%	73.8%	68.0%	64%
	2020	71.8%	69.9%	66.5%	73.7%	61.6%	59.2%
Well-Being	2019	73.6%	73.1%	74.0%	80.2%	--	--
	2020	72.0%	71.4%	71.9%	79.9%	--	--
Satisfaction	2019	68.8%	67.6%	66.6%	74.4%	--	--
	2020	68.0%	64.8%	63.0%	75.3%	--	--
Involvement/Engagement	2019	73.1%	70.9%	54.0%	54.5%	--	--
	2020	70.2%	68.1%	51.5%	54.5%	--	--

Survey Return Rate **		Teachers		Parents		Students	
		School	State	School	State	School	State
	2019	70.5%	81.9%	12.0%	18.7%	79.9%	81.2%
	2020	87.0%	82.8%	16.0%	18.7%	72.2%	70.0%

* The SQS is completed by students and parents of students in grades 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, and 11 and by all teachers of the school. State Teacher and Parent positive response figures are one of four grade spans (Gr. K to 5/6, Gr. 6/7 to 8, Gr. 9 to 12, and Multi-level) that best correspond to this school's grade span. The Student positive response figures for the State and this school are those of the highest grade level surveyed at this school.

** State Return Rate for Teachers, Parents, and Students are for one of six grade spans (Elementary, Elementary/Middle, Elementary/Middle/High, Middle, Middle/High, High) that corresponds to this school.

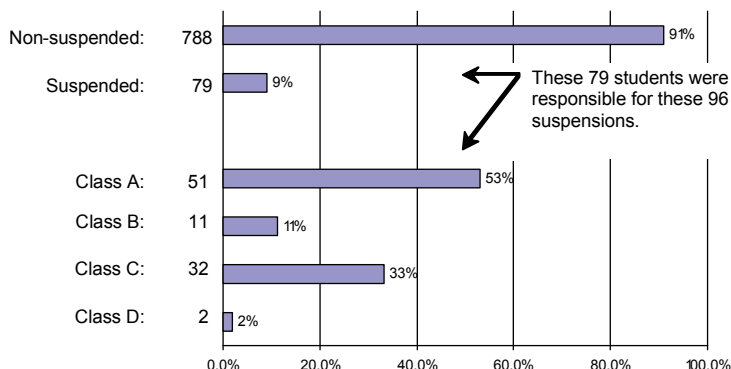
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Student Conduct

Attendance and Absences

School Year			State Standard
2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	
Average Daily Attendance: % (higher is better)			
90.3%	90.6%	91.1%	95.0%
Average Daily Absences: in days (lower is better)			
17.4	16.6	11.9	9

Suspensions, School Year 2019-2020



Examples of class of suspension:

Class A: Burglary, robbery, sale of dangerous drugs
 Class B: Disorderly conduct, trespassing
 Class C: Class cutting, insubordination, smoking
 Class D: Contraband (e.g. possession of tobacco)

School Completion

School Dropouts

School Year	Number	Percent
2017-18	43	19.3%
2018-19	39	18.3%
2019-20	25	11.7%

The dropout figures are based on the cohort of first-time 9th graders who dropped out prior to graduating.

Graduates and Other Completers

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Total number of Seniors	190	173	193
Percent of Diploma graduates	91.5%	95.3%	95.8%
Percent of Individually Prescribed Program	1.0%	2.3%	1.0%
Percent of school completers ¹	92.6%	97.6%	96.8%

Total number of Freshmen	172	165	184
Percent graduated on time	77.4%	77.8%	86.3%

Freshmen who began high school in school year 2016-17 and graduated in 2019-20.

¹ Slight variances are due to rounding.

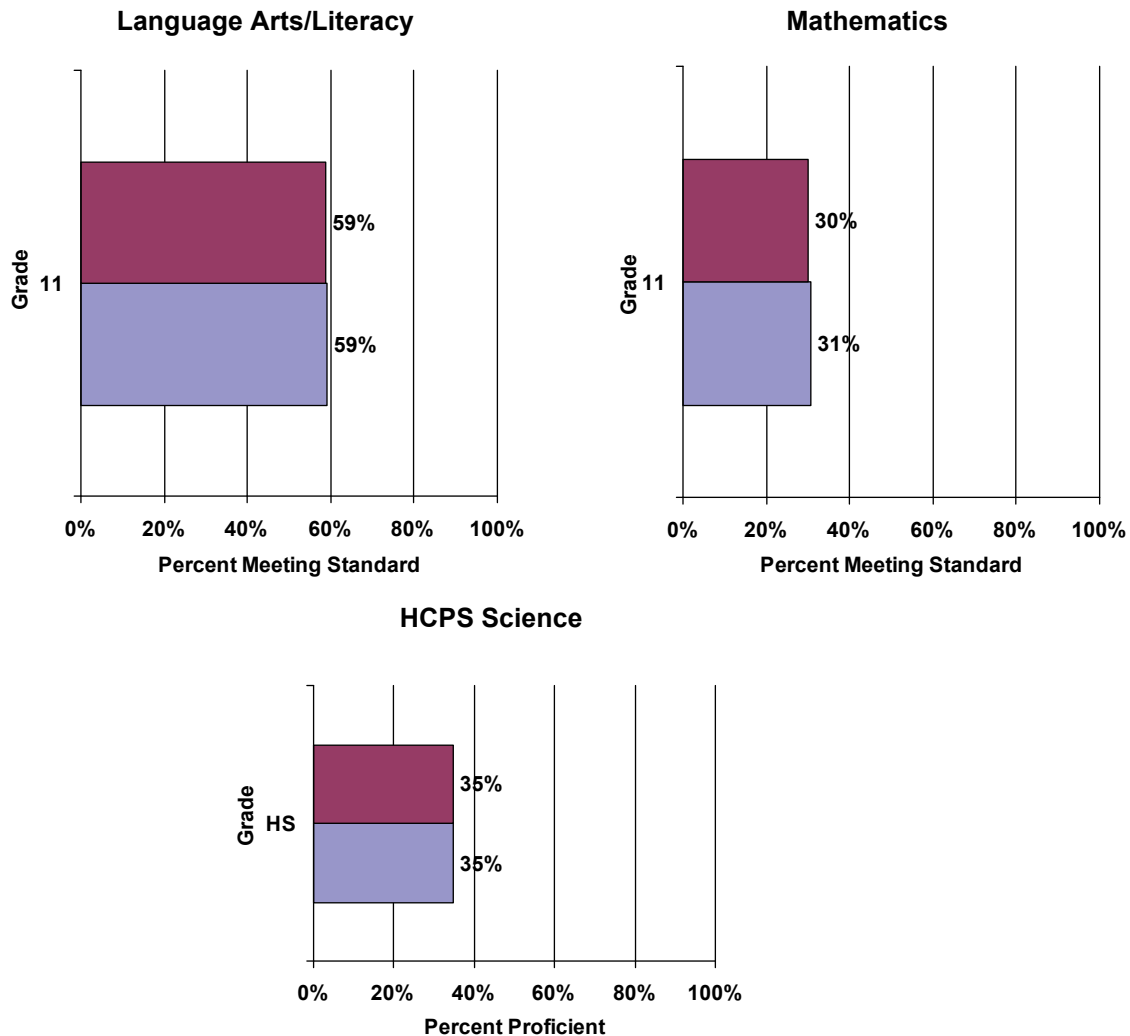
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Hawaii Statewide Assessment Program

NOTE: The visuals below display assessment results for School Year (SY) 2018-19. There are no results for SY 2019-20 due to COVID-19 and the U.S. Department of Education's waiver from testing.



The HCPS Science assessment is given in grades 4 and 8. High School (HS) HCPS Science assessment results are from an end-of-course exam given to high school students enrolled in Biology I.



A school's bar may not be shown to maintain student confidentiality (see FERPA).

Other School Information

Konawaena High School is accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Schools, Western Association of Schools and Colleges for a period of six years. This school's accreditation term expires in 2023.

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