

## James Campbell Company's Annual \$250,000 Gift Benefits More Than 12,500 West O'ahu Students

Ten public schools serving 12,573 West O'ahu students are using their share of the Campbell Company's annual contribution of \$250,000 to enhance student learning — mainly through technology upgrades and enhancements. Some are also allocating part of their funds to support student activities, awards and incentives. Still others are focused on creating comfortable learning environments through heat abatement.

### Enhancing technology

While Kapolei High School is applying its entire donation to enhance the school's technology capabilities campus-wide, five schools (Ho'okele Elementary, Kapolei Elementary, Kapolei Middle, Mauna Lani Elementary, and Nānākuli High School) are combining technology upgrades with student awards and incentives, or in Nānākuli's case, improving communication with parents and the community.

### Student activities and incentives

Two schools are focused solely on funding student activities in different ways. One school, Barbers Point Elementary, is leveraging its grant to work with the state to update the playground equipment for its 518 students.



(From left to right) Front row: Elden Esmeralda (Principal in Residence), Ann Mahi (Complex Area Superintendent, Nānākuli/Wai'anae), Sean Tajima (Complex Area Superintendent, Campbell/Kapolei), Cindy Otsu (Principal, Kapolei Elementary), Laureen Dunn (Principal, Ho'okele Elementary), Eugene Toyama (Vice Principal, Barbers Point Elementary), Jaclyn Riel (Principal, Barbers Point Elementary) and Disa Hauge (Principal Wai'anae High School) Back row: Todd Fujimori (Principal, Makakilo Elementary), Wesley Shinkawa (Principal, Kapolei High School), Richard Fajardo (Principal, Kapolei Middle School), Samuel Izumi (Principal, Mauka Lani Elementary) Darin Pili'alo'ha (Principal, Nānākuli High and Intermediate), Jon Henry Lee (Principal, James Campbell High) and Tim Brauer (President and Chief Executive Officer, James Campbell Company LLC)

At Wai'anae High School, the full donation is supporting student activities and incentives with a goal in mind. Principal Disa Hauge says the donation is supporting students and teachers to demonstrate the

#Wai'anaeStrong qualities of *ho'omau* (perseverance), *pono* (righteousness) and *mālama* (to care for) to overcome stereotypes long associated with the Wai'anae Coast. For example, the number of clubs has tripled as students can now focus on common interests instead of fundraising. The clubs give them a sense of belonging and a desire to succeed and help one another. The funds also help to support student who have experienced trauma and have a difficult time connecting to school and to others.

"Your funds allow us to incentivize this connection by providing snacks, backpacks, nice pens, stickers and culminating events, like a trip to the movies, for kids who engage deeply in a long term group led by counselors that addresses coping skills, anger management and goal-setting," said Hauge.

"Students do the hard work to take responsibility for their choices and their lives when they are concurrently supported with the simple and powerful rewards your funding enables," she said.

A key measure of future success is the rate of ninth grade promotions. In 2018, 95 percent of Wai'anae's ninth graders were promoted.

### 2018 School Donations

Barbers Point Elementary	\$ 20,000
Ho'okele Elementary	\$ 20,000
James Campbell High	\$ 30,000
Kapolei Elementary	\$ 20,000
Kapolei High	\$ 35,000
Kapolei Middle	\$ 35,000
Makakilo Elementary	\$ 20,000
Mauka Lani Elementary	\$ 20,000
Nānākuli High	\$ 25,000
Wai'anae High	\$ 25,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$250,000</b>

### Keeping them cool

Heat abatement has been a major issue for schools statewide, and recent AC installations have cooled down classrooms so that kids can learn in a comfortable environment.

In addition to upgrading its technology, Makakilo Elementary is using part of its funds to maintain the school's newly installed AC system.

On a larger scale, James Campbell High School is applying its total grant to cool down a major common area that is too large, and thus too costly for AC. The school, which is the state's largest high school, is purchasing four giant industrial fans for the gym. The fans are generally used in large industrial and commercial spaces like hangers, warehouses and showrooms to increase air flow and make people feel up to 10 degrees cooler.

"Our classroom heat abatement has been going very well and we are happy to have close to 90 percent of our classrooms air conditioned," said Principal Jon Henry Lee. "Our larger common areas have been much more challenging (and costly) to cool. With the very generous donation from the James Campbell Company we are in the process of purchasing and installing four extremely large fans in the gymnasium."

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