

K-12 EDUCATION

Overview

The Hawaii Department of Education (HIDOE) is closely monitoring conditions and working with county, state, and federal officials. For information on HIDOE resources for West Maui, please call 808-784-6200 or email doeinfo@k12.hi.us. You may also visit <https://sites.google.com/k12.hi.us/maui-school-resources/home>.

School Enrollment

Displaced West Maui families are strongly encouraged to re-enroll their child(ren) at another nearby school once they are able to, since schools provide students with in-person services like meals, social engagement, counseling support, and access to resources.

All Hawaii public schools will welcome the enrollment of students impacted by the wildfires. To enroll, parents and guardians must complete an MVI form and submit it to the new school. For the MVI form, please visit: <https://www.hawaiipublicschools.org/DOE%20Forms/MV1.pdf>

Bus Service

HIDOE is offering free bus service for impacted students to their temporary designated schools. Students are encouraged to take advantage of free school bus transportation from West Maui to their designated schools are encouraged to sign up in advance at bit.ly/WestMauiBusApp.

For more information on bus schedules and location, please visit <https://sites.google.com/k12.hi.us/maui-school-resources/parents-and-families/transportation?authuser=0>.

Distance Learning

Families with access to a stable internet connection may register for the State Distance Learning Program. With this option, parents may select between asynchronous learning (flexible schedule for accessing lessons and assignments) or synchronous learning (real-time participation in virtual classes through video conferencing).

To register for the State Distance Learning Program, complete this form:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfe3f7tXlZGRbsnWVL73H60Ve14GBiSTsRqesnH24kvvYTI8Q/viewform>

- For questions, call 808-307-7550 or email statedistancelearning@k12.hi.us

For Hawaiian language immersion students, parents can register their child for the State Kaiapuni Distance Learning Program here:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdTTIWZ3BdQ_HHQwO110-43qE0Ja7LDBkfPB3fsgCINHqRsQ/viewform

- For questions, call 808-518-5364 or email keleao-kaiapuni@k12.hi.us

HIDOE will offer a distance learning hub for K-8 students starting September 19th at Citizen Church located at 4275 Hine Way in Lahaina. The learning hub will provide distance learning students with in-person opportunities for teacher support and peer socialization, as well as access to meals, recess, social-emotional learning and other resources. Grade levels will report to the learning hub based on the following schedule:

- Grades K-3: Monday to Friday – 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
- Grades 4-5: Monday to Friday – 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Grades 6-8: Monday to Friday – 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Children’s Mental Health

Natural disasters can deeply affect children’s emotional, social, and mental health and well-being. Resources can be found here:

- **Hawaii Department of Education:** Mental health resources are available to affected students, including free counseling sessions with Hazel Health. Services are available Monday through Friday between 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. To receive these services, visit HDOE’s website here: <https://sites.google.com/k12.hi.us/maui-school-resources/parents-and-families/mental-health-resources>.
- **Maui Family Guidance Center:** MFGC has in-person options for students not enrolled in HDOE schools at their Wailuku Office Monday-Friday between 7:45 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Please call ahead at 808-243-1252
- **Children and Disasters Resource Center:** Information on how children and teenagers may experience disasters, common reactions, and coping tips. To view these resources, please visit: <https://www.samhsa.gov/dtac/disaster-survivors/children-and-disaster>.
- **Helping Children Cope with Disaster:** Suggestions for parents, caregivers, and other adults on how to help children recover from a disaster. Visit the following links to access the resource in your preferred language:
 - *English:* https://www.redcross.org/content/dam/redcross/atg/PDF_s/Preparedness_Disaster_Recovery/General_Preparedness_Recovery/Emotional/Helping_children_cope_with_disaster_-_English.pdf
 - *Chinese:* https://www.redcross.org/content/dam/redcross/atg/PDF_s/Preparedness_Disaster_Recovery/General_Preparedness_Recovery/Emotional/Helping_children_cope_with_disaster_-_Chinese.pdf
 - *Korean:* https://www.redcross.org/content/dam/redcross/atg/PDF_s/Preparedness_Disaster_Recovery/General_Preparedness_Recovery/Emotional/Helping_children_cope_with_disaster_-_Korean.pdf
 - *Spanish:* https://www.redcross.org/content/dam/redcross/atg/PDF_s/Preparedness_Disaster_Recovery/General_Preparedness_Recovery/Emotional/Helping_children_cope_with_disaster_-_Spanish.pdf
 - *Tagalog:* https://www.redcross.org/content/dam/redcross/atg/PDF_s/Preparedness_Disaster_Recovery/General_Preparedness_Recovery/Emotional/Helping_children_cope_with_disaster_-_Tagalog.pdf
 - *Vietnamese:* https://www.redcross.org/content/dam/redcross/atg/PDF_s/Preparedness_Disaster_Recovery/General_Preparedness_Recovery/Emotional/Helping_children_cope_with_disaster_-_Vietnamese.pdf

Counseling Services for Staff

In-person, phone, and help-line services are available for HDOE staff who are seeking emotional and mental health support to process distress caused by the wildfires. Resources can be found here:

- **Lahaina Comprehensive Health Center:** In-person services are available daily from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For phone counseling services, call (808) 984-8201 or (808) 984-8260.

- **Carelon Behavioral Health:** Hawaii Medical Services Association (HMSA) partner Carelon Behavioral Health provides free counseling services 24/7 by calling 1-800-580-6934. A HMSA membership is not required.

More Information

For up to date information regarding school operations on Maui, including school reopening, please visit:

<https://www.hawaiipublicschools.org/ConnectWithUs/MediaRoom/PressReleases/Pages/maui-school-closures.aspx>