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adventure
of **you**



BOARDING AT HAWAII PREPARATORY ACADEMY

There's no one like you.

Your story and spirit are unique.

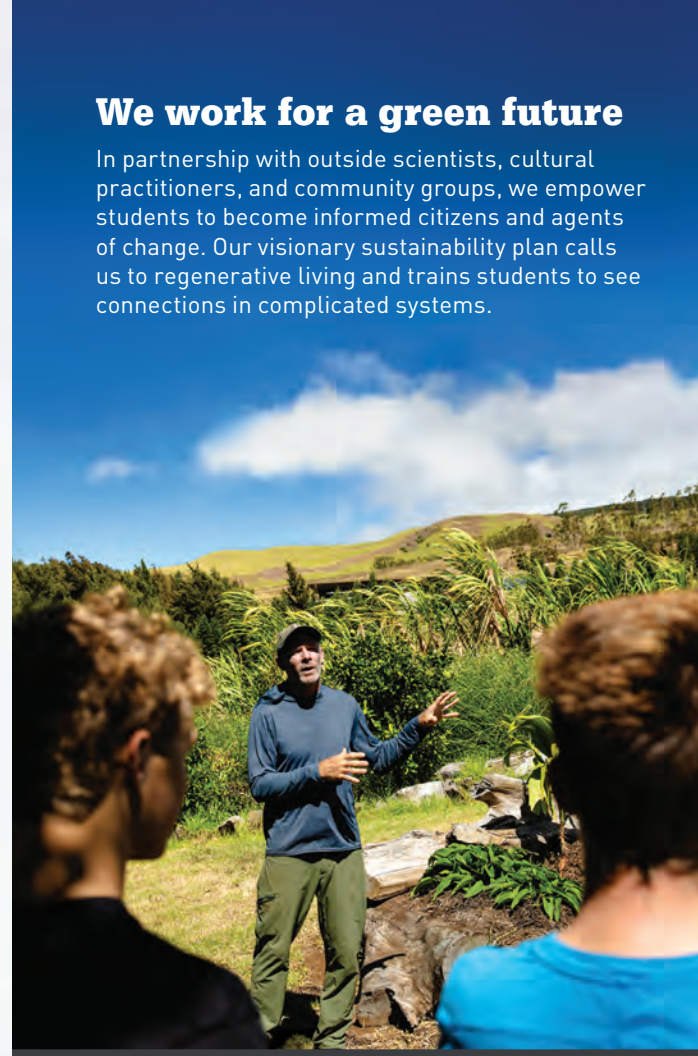
At HPA, we are a community dedicated to recognizing and inspiring each other toward new talents, ideas, and hopes. This is a place where you can freely make all kinds of friends and try new things.

As a boarding student, you'll live at the heart of the action. You'll feel right at home in a vibrant school-village that blends into the foothills of the Kohala mountains. Most of all, you'll discover incredible ways to learn and grow — found only here in Hawai'i. Our rare ecosystems, stunning landscapes, global vantage point, and the wisdom of Hawaiian culture will invite a connection and spark a confidence you'll keep forever.



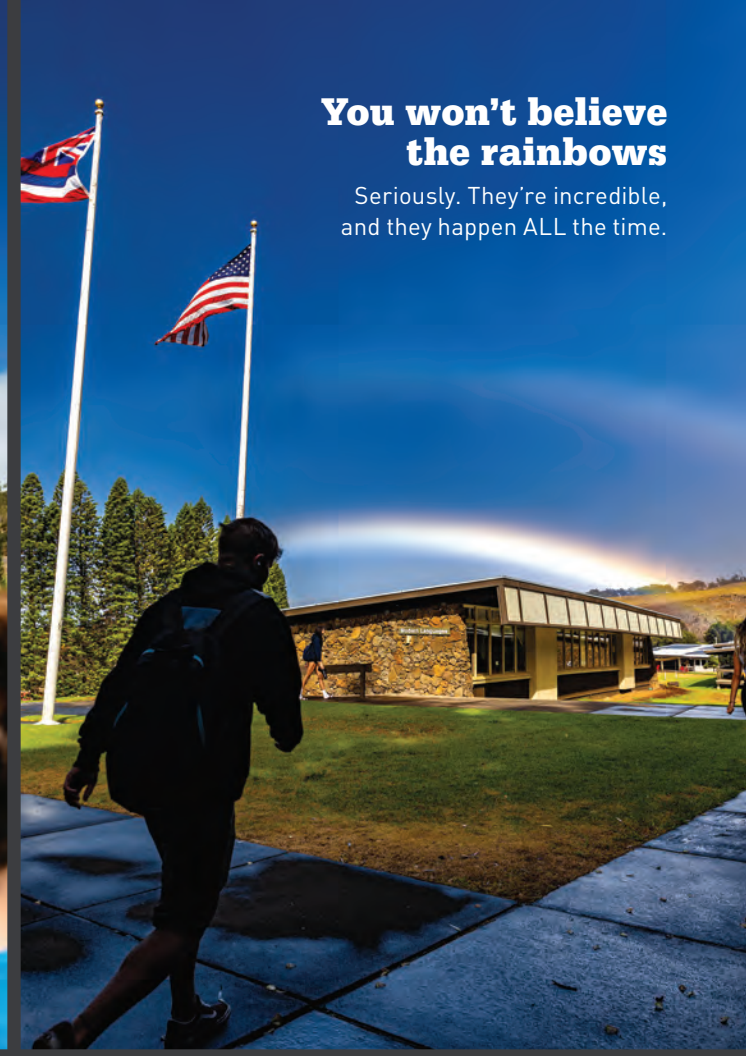
We work for a green future

In partnership with outside scientists, cultural practitioners, and community groups, we empower students to become informed citizens and agents of change. Our visionary sustainability plan calls us to regenerative living and trains students to see connections in complicated systems.



You won't believe the rainbows

Seriously. They're incredible, and they happen ALL the time.



Friends around the globe

As a boarding student, you will live in an international neighborhood, where students from Hawai'i join with students from the continental U.S. and around the world. Your dormmates will be from places like Spain and California, Honolulu and Beijing. We are a truly unique community with an American vibe and global style.



Nom nom

Our dining hall serves as much food as possible from local growers, and we also grow our own in two school gardens.



What's life without fun?

We take our school work seriously, but balance and well-being matter just as much as test scores at HPA. Each spring, the HPA Olympics is one of our strongest community-building traditions. Four days of class rivalries, facepaint, and pure hilarity.



Capstone classes: a jumpstart on college

Our grade 12 capstone classes help you practice skills that universities expect. Guided by a faculty mentor, you'll develop a year-long independent project that reflects your own personal passion. What will it be? Maybe you'll write a novel or study a rare species found only in Hawai'i. The choice is yours! Whatever you choose to do, your faculty mentor is devoted to your success. You'll learn to plan, problem-solve, and communicate your ideas in public.



Dorm living

Our campus is the work of renowned Hawai'i architect Vladimir Ossipoff, a pioneer in green design decades before that movement began. We love the style and simplicity of his buildings — they're warm, friendly, and open to the natural world. This feeling extends inside your residence hall, where you'll create a mini-community with your roommate, hall mates, and faculty advisors. Living with your friends and teachers, you'll create unforgettable memories.



What's on your adventure list?

Visit an active volcano. Try surfing. Swim with manta rays. Hike forested valleys and camp on remote beaches. As a boarder, you'll live at the center of it all, with weekly options to explore.



Wonder is a core value

HPA has three other **core** values that won't surprise you: integrity, respect, and pursuit of excellence. And we believe in them 100 percent. But wonder — being curious, appreciative, and content — is a feeling that just seems to come naturally here. Sometimes you take an hour alone in the presence of stunning beauty. Other times, you're connected with friends who share the moment.



Social life

HPA offers many ways to find your people. Support your musical friends at Lava Lounge (or perform yourself!). Join a club or try a new co-curricular activity after classes. Traditions like Dorm Wars, seasonal dances, and formal dinner bring the entire community together. In the end, we all share the same Ka Makani spirit, like a quirky, sprawling family that loves to hang out.



Bring your A game

We offer traditional American sports and more surprising options. Try football, baseball, or cheerleading. Check out the canoe paddling team, horseback riding, or scuba.



A place that stays with you — forever.

Being part of HPA and Hawai'i means you'll contribute a piece of yourself to this incredible place. In return, these islands and our school give back to you. As an alum, you are forever Ka Makani. Hawai'i and HPA will remain a connection through your life that does not break.

Hallmarks of an HPA education

- Traditional college-preparatory curriculum combined with student-driven independent work
- Place-based learning in a Pacific region defined by scientific ingenuity, environmental innovation, and cultural crossroads
- Over 100 academic courses; 16 AP courses
- An emphasis on finding your passion and purpose
- Unique student body with typically 50% boarding, 50% day students, drawn from Hawai'i, the continental U.S., and 25 countries each year
- The Saalfeld Energy Lab provides dedicated technology and workspace for many student projects
- Introductory Hawaiian studies class for all first-year students
- Renowned Sea Turtle Research Program
- Afternoon co-curricular program that encourages exploration of new activities, including sports, theater, robotics, and more
- Weekly all-school assemblies focused on health and wellness, outside speakers, and other topics

Need Answers? Ready to Apply?

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LEARN ABOUT DORM LIFE



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