

## High School Profile

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# Accreditation:

(WASC) Western Association of School and Colleges (HAIS) Hawaii Association of Independent Schools

#### Mission:

Assets School serves gifted and capable students, specializing in those with dyslexia and other language-based learning differences. We provide a strengthbased program, complemented by outreach and training, that empowers students to become effective learners and confident self-advocates.

### School and Community:

Assets School was founded in 1955 to serve the needs of children experiencing difficulty in traditional school settings. The High School was added in 1991 and moved to it's own campus in 2015. Today, Assets is a K-12 independent private school with over 330 students who are gifted and/ or have language-based learning differences.

Research-based teaching methodologies and resources are utilized to provide integrated curriculum and instruction to help students reach their full potential. We strive to help students face their challenges, become strong self-advocates, and build tools to become effective, lifelong learners.

Assets School specializes in serving children and young people from 5 to 18 years of age whose capability is greater than their achievement. We serve a variety of learners and individualize the program to ensure each student is both challenged and supported to maximize their academic potential.

## Curriculum & Methodology:

Our curriculum is unique in that it is first informed by "who" we teach; as opposed to a standards-based approach driven by traditional content objectives. Through strong teacher-student relationships, the teacher gains insights into the way each individual child learns, and identifies tools and strategies that help to maximize those strengths and remediate and/or compensate for a student's challenges. Teachers use a wide variety of methodologies that are multimodal and multisensory. We promote student driven learning opportunities such as project and problem-based learning. Threaded through this unique approach to instruction is an emphasis on study skills development (learning to learn) and the high school Schoolwide Learning Expectations (goals that target academic, personal, social, and civic growth).

#### **Grading:**

The grading scale is provided on our transcript. We calculate cumulative GPA based only on courses taken at Assets High School; however, credits are inclusive. We do not rank students. Grading is approached with the unique needs of our students in mind. It can be individualized in the same way that our curriculum is built around the students. If you have questions about the achievement or level of study reached by an individual student, please contact the college counselor for more detailed information.

#### Graduation Requirements: 24.0 Credits Minimum

- 4-English/Literature 3-Mathematics 3-Sciences 3-Social Sciences 3-Electives
- 1.5-Fitness & Life Skills (Health, PE and College Career Guidance)

1-Communication Theory/Study Skills or 1 add'l core subject credit (English, Science, Math or Social Science) 3.5-Mentorship (see unique Course Offering Section)

2-World Languages (Select students exempt from this requirement based on their learning profile, typically additional English language based study skills courses are taken in place).





#### Unique Course Offering: High School Mentorship Program:

The Mentorship Program places students in positions at various companies and organizations, based upon their personal interests and qualifications. Students in grades 10-12 earn high school credit by working at their mentorship sites every Wednesday, October through April, for 5.5 hours each week. The Program creates an immersion type of learning environment by extending learning beyond the walls of the classroom, and providing critical connections between schools and careers, with access to community role models. Overall, the program enhances students' awareness about themselves, the work world, and how they can transition into a professional environment. The Mentorship program culminates each year in an Expo in which students present to an audience of peers, parents and the public as an authentic demonstration of their learning.

#### **College Highlights:**

Class of 2021:

97% of graduates were accepted to college programs both on the US Mainland and in Hawaii.

Awarded \$510,900 in scholarships.

Students that chose an alternative path to success were also closely guided in their career planning.

#### **College and University Destinations: 5 year History**

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American College of Paris Arizona State University Baylor University Berklee College of Music Bluegrass Comm & Tech College Brigham Young University California State Polytechnic Inst Central Washington University Chaminade University Honolulu Colorado Mesa University Colorado Mesa University Colorado Mountain College Cuesta College Curry College Dominican University of CA Embry Riddle Aeronautical Univ Evergreen State College Glendale Community College Gonzaga University		Northern Arizona University Orange Coast College Pacific Lutheran University Pacific Northwest College of Art Pacific University Point Loma Nazarene University Portland State University Reed College Santa Monica College Savannah College of Art and De- sign Shenandoah University Southern Oregon University Southern Oregon Comm College Syracuse University University of Arizona University of California-Irvine	University of Montana-Western University of the Pacific University of Nevada, Las Vegas University of the Redlands University of Southern California University of Utah Utah Valley University Univ of the Sunshine Coast (AUS) Washington State University Wentworth Institute of Technology Western New Mexico University Western Oregon University Whittier College Willamette University Wyotech Institute
Hawaii Pacific University Johnson & Wales Unive Ithaca College Kingswood College Landmark College Lewis and Clark Linfield College New York Film Academy-L	rsity	University of Colorado-Co Springs University of Hawaii-Manoa University of Hawaii-Hilo University of Hawaii, West Oahu University of Hawaii Kapiolani Community College Kauai Community College Honolulu Community College Leeward Community College Windward Community College	4 year college: 72% 2 year college: 28% Great minds think alike. or learn