

Pua 'ama'ama Preschool Assistance Program

The Pua 'ama'ama preschool assistance program provides Native Hawaiian families the means to supplement the costs of preschool tuition for their keiki. Funds for the program are provided by the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA).

Eligibility Requirements **ALL requirements must be met**

- * Child must be Native Hawaiian and a U.S. citizen.
- * Child must be enrolled full-time in an accredited preschool program .
- * Child must reside with the 'ohana for whom assistance is being requested and the 'ohana must reside in rural 'Oahu or on the neighbor islands.
- * 'Ohana must not receive any other assistance to pay for Preschool tuition.

Application Requirements

Applicants must submit the following documents:

1. Application form for Pua 'ama'ama Preschool Assistance Program
2. A valid copy of child's Office of Hawaiian Affairs Registry Card (If you do not have an OHA Registry Card, please visit oha.org and go to programs tab or visit your OHA office on your island.)
3. An acceptance letter from preschool program, which includes child's name.
4. A document listing preschool tuition expenses by year or month from preschool program.

Deadline

Ongoing – Funds are limited. Awards will be made until all funds are disbursed. Please visit nhea.net for any updates.

Scholarship Terms

Eligible 'ohana will receive funds to be used to supplement preschool tuition. Checks will be mailed directly to the preschool that the child is attending or will attend within six weeks of the award date.

Award Guidelines

1. Applicants who meet all eligibility criteria and application requirements may qualify for an assistance award of at least \$1,000 to supplement the cost of tuition.
2. Primary preference will be given to families that will enroll their first child in preschool.
3. Secondary preference will be given to 'ohana who have at least one parent/legal guardian enrolled in college and to 'ohana who have at least one parent employed full time.
5. 'Ohana will be granted a one time award. No renewals will be given.

Random selection will be used to sort the application pool should it exceed the amount of money available for the program.

Award Notification

You will be notified if you were 'ohana was selected to receive assistance by mail. Award notifications will be mailed between four to six weeks of the postmark date that your application was mailed.

Questions?

Email Contact: kathytakeo@gmail.com
Phone Contact: Kathy Owara-Takeo
at 808-854-3128.

Mail completed application and
Copy of OHA Hawaiian Registry Card to:

Native Hawaiian Education Association
'Ama'Ama Preschool Assistance Program
P.O. Box 1536
Kahului, HI, 96733

This program addresses OHA's Strategic Priorities:

To maximize choices of life and work, Native Hawaiians will gain knowledge and excel in educational opportunities at all levels.

Increase percent of Native Hawaiian families actively improving lifestyle choices by engaging in health programs (weight loss, diet, substance abuse treatment) and supportive family development practices (prenatal screening, early education, family oriented activities, parent/child learning.)

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‘ OHANA INFORMATION - PARENT/GUARDIAN	
Name of Parent/Guardian	Home phone number
Mailing Address	Cell number
	Email address

‘ OHANA INFORMATION - MARITAL STATUS						
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‘ OHANA INCOME INFORMATION			
Annual Gross Income	Number in Household (all who live in the house that is being supported by the income)		
Does the family receive any form of financial assistance (welfare, TANF, TONF, Social Security, or any other type of external financial support) Please circle one. <table style="width: 100%; margin-top: 5px;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Yes</td> <td style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">No</td> </tr> </table>		Yes	No
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PRIORITY AREAS		
PLEASE CIRCLE THE PROPER RESPONSE		
Will this be your first child you are enrolling in pre school ?	Yes	No
Are you or your spouse currently enrolled in college?	Yes	No
Are you or your spouse employed full-time?	Yes	No

Name of Child: _____

PRESCHOOL CHILD INFORMATION	
Name of Child	Birth date
Name of Preschool Child Attends/Will Attend	
Mailing Address of Preschool	Phone Number of school
Number of Years Attending Preschool	Tuition Cost per Month

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT/SIGNATURE
<p>I hereby certify that all the information contained on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that I may be asked for documentation to validate information on this application. By signing below I give the Office of Hawaiian Affairs and Native Hawaiian Education permission to use photos of my child and me in OHA and NHEA publications.</p> <p>Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____</p>

For program use only:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

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