THE PAUL NAKAMURA SCHOLARSHIP
Via Kapa’a High School Foundation

The Paul Nakamura Scholarship, established in 2022, will award a scholarship of $1000.00 to one Kapa’a High School senior attending a post-secondary educational institution upon graduation. The scholarship will be awarded to a student who has a strong desire to become a successful business person here on Kauai.

Mr. Paul Nakamura was an alumnae of Kapa’a High School, class of 1957. Mr. Nakamura, along with his family members, owned and operated the Nakamura store on Kukui St in Kapaa town. The Nakamura Store was considered one of the most popular grocery stores in Kapa’a that featured fresh local beef, produce and dry goods. Many students of Kapa’a High School remember the stores hometown character and “Uncle Paul” to many who frequented there for after school snacks.

Mr. Nakamura along with his classmates and friends always committed to help and strengthen the activities at Kapa’a High school. In memory of Paul Nakamura and to recognize the untold support he contributed throughout the years for Kapa’a High School, a scholarship has been established in his name by a close friend, Mr. Herbert Nishida. The desire of the donor is to provide support for an aspiring student that may one day return to Kaua’i and create a successful and thriving business such as the old Nakamura Store.

Scholarship applications are available at the Kapa’a High School counselors’ office or online at the Kapa’a High School Foundation’s website http://kapaahighschoolfoundation.org or official Facebook page. All applications must be received by Monday, April 11, 2022.

Terms of Application for Scholarship

1. Applicant is a senior at Kapa’a High School with a grade point average of 2.0 or higher.
2. One-page type written double space personal essay addressing career plans, how this scholarship will enhance future goals and future plans to give back to the Kaua’i community.
3. A letter of recommendation from a teacher or coach highlighting applicants’ academic improvements OR a community member describing student’s community service work.
4. A brief resume summarizing student’s academic and athletic achievements, extracurricular activities, and community service.
5. Applicant shall submit a copy of official letter of acceptance from college, university or trade school that applicant will attend, or statement explaining acceptance before scholarship check is issued.
6. Applicant must complete the application form through The Paul Nakamura Scholarship via the Kapa’a High School Foundation, available at the counselors’ office or online at the Kapa’a High School Foundation’s website or official Facebook page.
7. These documents should be legible and clearly attached to application form. See specific return instructions provided on page 2 of this document.

Deadline for applications is Monday April 11, 2022. NO LATE OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED. RESPONSIBILITY FOR TIMELY SUBMISSION RESTS WITH THE APPLICANT.

Guideline Criteria of Selection Committee:
***Resume and Personal Statement: 1 – 50 points
***Letter of Recommendation: 1 – 50 points
THE PAUL NAKAMURA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
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Applicant’s Full Name:
(Last, First, MI): __________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: __________________________________________________________

Email Address: ____________________________________________________________

Phone Number: ____________________________________________________________

Parent/Guardian:
(Last, First, MI): __________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: __________________________________________________________

Phone Number: ____________________________________________________________

Applicants must include with this application:

1. One-page type written double space personal essay addressing career plans, how this scholarship will enhance future goals, and how student envision giving back to the Kaua’i community.

2. One letter of recommendation from a teacher or coach focused on applicant’s academic improvement and untapped potential for future success OR a community member describing students community service work.

3. A brief resume summarizing student’s academic and athletic achievements, extracurricular activities, and community service.

4. An official grade transcript is not required. In helping to keep with COVID-19 safety protocols, the students’ signature below gives consent for the Kapa’a High School Foundation Scholarship committee to obtain the student’s transcripts directly from the Kapa’a High School office.

I hereby declare that I have read all statements on the application form and that to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are correct and complete. I understand that if I am a recipient of this scholarship, I will make myself available and/or provide photos for publicity purposes for the Kapa’a High School Foundation, which may appear online or in print or digital media.

Applicant’s Signature: _________________________________________ Date: ________________

Completed applications and supporting documents should be scanned and emailed to the Kapa’aHigh School Foundation email address: kappaahighfoundation@gmail.com, or properly sealed and dropped off at the Kapa’a High School Counselors Office: ATTN: Mrs. Joan Kealalio.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION TO BE RECEIVED:
Monday, April 11, 2022