

## **RECOGNIZING AND CONGRATULATING HONOKA‘A HIGH AND INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL ON ITS 130 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OBSERVANCE**

Honoka‘a High and Intermediate School is located in the former sugar plantation town of Honoka‘a on the Hamakua Coast of the Island of Hawai‘i first established in 1889.

This year marks the 130th anniversary of the founding of Honoka‘a High and Intermediate School. The first campus was built in 1889 with enrollment fluctuating between 110 and 307 students into the early years of the 20th century.

Expansion at Honoka‘a High and Intermediate School continued when some of the present classroom buildings, the auditorium and the original gymnasium were built. Enrollment passed the one-thousand mark for the first time in 1944. The campus eventually covered a seven-acre parcel on which it sits today, complete with an athletic field, a library, office building, band room, auto shop and other specialized academic facilities.

Honoka‘a High and Intermediate School and Honoka‘a Elementary School, were once combined as a single campus known as Honoka‘a High & Elementary School. The school observed its 100th year anniversary in 1989 and held a Millennium Celebration in 1999.

Honoka‘a High and Intermediate School started the careers of several prominent leaders and professionals in the areas of government, politics, business, travel, farming, science, medicine, sports and entertainment. Honokaa’s students have a long tradition of excellence in academics, athletics, robotics and music.

The Senate of the Thirtieth Hawai‘i State Legislature congratulates Honoka‘a High and Intermediate School on its 130th anniversary as an educational institution that empowers all students with the confidence and ability to pursue their dreams. The Senate extends its best wishes to Honoka‘a High and Elementary School as it continues its mission in the future to further educate the community’s students.