



*Special Message from
Governor David Y. Ige*
In Recognition of

Appreciation Day for Catholic Schools

February 5, 2021

Hawai'i Catholic institutions educate almost 9,000 students from preschool through college. With a long tradition of producing strong citizens, good neighbors and leaders in our communities within our state and beyond, Hawai'i Catholic Schools have continued to thrive. As students, families and school staff celebrate Appreciation Day for Catholic Schools in Hawai'i, I extend a warm aloha to all.

A hallmark of Hawai'i Catholic Schools is their philosophy of developing the whole child, which includes emotional, physical, spiritual, social and cognitive development. Catholic schools immerse their students in rigorous academics and structure as well as award-winning athletic and extracurricular programs, encouraging young minds to explore the world around them and pursue their passions. To achieve a 21st century learning environment, Hawai'i Catholic schools implement innovative strategies and teaching methods while leveraging state-of-the-art technology.

Aloha and mahalo to everyone who helped organize the many activities for this celebration. You are taking us in the right direction for the right reasons to build a better life for present and future generations in Hawai'i.

With warmest regards,

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i