

## Our Purpose:

The intention of the Pu`ukumu School is to provide a platform for a “whole being” education that promotes an inner shift in students from the “Who am I” to the “Who I am” on their personal growth journeys. By embracing the core principles of character, community and academic success, students will explore their own growth in a safe and supportive environment of unity where internal guidance and self-motivation are encouraged and successfully modeled. We believe the Pu`ukumu experience will give students the confidence to navigate the key challenges of the 21st century and beyond.



# Pu`ukumu School Graduation Requirements



Character | Community | Academic Success

Effective:  
2016 - 2017 School Year



Member since 2013

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# Graduation Requirements CLASS OF 2020 AND BEYOND

COURSE REQUIREMENTS	PU'UKUMU HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA
Language Arts	4 credits including: English language arts 1 - 4 includes American Lit, World Lit and Expository Writing
Social Studies	3 credits including: US History, World History and Participation in Democracy
Mathematics	3 credits, (4 for high honors program) Algebra I - Geometry -Algebra II/ Trig/ Calculus or Statistics (Credit will be given for any of the above completed in Grade 8)
Science	3 credits (4 for high honors program) Physical Science, Biology, Chemistry Physics Marine Science and or Environmental Science
World Language, Fine Arts or Tech Education	2 credits (3 for high honors program)
Physical Education	1 credit
Service	.5 credit
Nature Connection	1 credit
Health	.5 credit
Electives	2- 4 credits, may include .5 credit for Senior Project and or .5 credit personal transition plan or flexible work study credit
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24 Credits</b>

*A Pu`ukumu High School Diploma shall be issued to students who meet the above minimum course and credit requirements.*

### HONORS RECOGNITION CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS:

Effective 2016-2017- In addition to meeting the requirements for a Pu`ukumu High School Diploma the following must be met with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above for an honors program certificate to be issued:

#### STEM HONORS

**4 credits of Math:**  
A 4th credit beyond Algebra II must be earned via Calculus or AP class offering

**4 credits of Science:**  
Of the four credits, one credit must be Biology and two credits must be lab based science or AP class offering

**2 credit minimum** must be earned from one Tech Ed course and one engineering class offering

A STEM Capstone/STEM Senior Project

#### NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Pu`ukumu Students in 10 - 12 grade will be eligible for NHS by demonstrating the following requirements:

- maintaining a cumulative grade point average of B, 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale), or equivalent standard of excellence
- demonstrating volunteer or service hours
- preserving an excellent record of behavior in and out of school participating in leadership roles in school and/or community activities

#### ACADEMIC HIGH HONORS

**4 credits of Math:**  
A 4th credit beyond Algebra II must be earned via Calculus or AP class offering

**4 credits of Science:**  
Of the four credits, one credit must be Biology and two credits must be lab based science or AP class offering

**3 credits of World Language:**  
3 consecutive credits of one single language.

**1 credit minimum** must be earned from AP course (equivalent to 1 college course)

