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*-Emma Leggio,
Kubasaki High School Senior Class President*

Grad Tab


CLASS OF 2023

**Kadena High School
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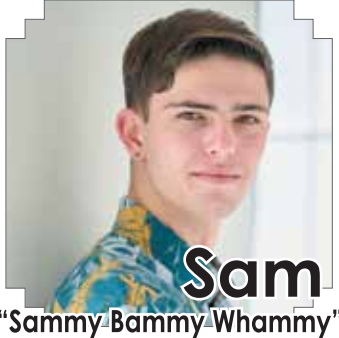
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| Alston, Jabron | Fili, Maui | Knobloch, Gina | Park, Brian | Stroud, Alexander |
| Anderson, Ken | Flores Cruz, Jessica | Laird, Jason | Pena, Zachary | Taormina, Alyssa |
| Andre, Colin | Flores, Vayda | Lavieri, Sean | Powers, Hikari | Taylor, Esteban |
| Asato, Nathan | Foster, Kadence | Lessmiller, Alexandra | Ramirez, Sofia | Taylor, Jace |
| Barahona Walker, Annalyn | Francis, Naomi | Levi, Ayanna | Rary, Emma | Taylor, Nolan |
| Basa, Maria Guinevere | Garcia, Sophia | Love, Destiny | Ray, Noah | Tewes, Hannah |
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| Boucher, Sydney | Garza, Mia | Lucero, Eric | Rice, Cathy | Tracy, Mary |
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| Challinor, Eamon | Hall, Jada | Marostica, Raeya | Roen, Samuel | Vickers, Javontay |
| Chang, Suh Yeon | Henderson, Avery | Martin, Juna | Ronquillo, Abigail | Visico, Angelo |
| Chapman, Gavin | Hipp, Ethan | Martinez, Gabriel | Ryan, Christine | Wadolowski, Jack |
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| Chavez, Anthony | Howell, Karah | McCollom, Cara | Santiago, Derick | Weybright, Connor |
| Christian, Oriana | Howell, Keelyn | McCollum, Reilly | Sawyer, Aiden | Wiggington, Aadan |
| Chua Marquez, Luke | Hunt, Erik | McCracken, Saya | Sayer, Evan | Wiggins, Nylah |
| Clay, Alaysha | Hunt, Sara | Melchi, Riley | Shaw, Madison | Windle, Cody |
| Cruz-Damian, Neveyah | Ibanez, Leanna Angelica | Mercado Matos, Anielis | Shepard-Savage, Teiya | Winn, Jeshua |
| Davis, Evan | Iglesias, Bethany Brianne | Miura, Yudi | Smith, Baylee | Wobse, Kellen |
| Davis, Kaylin | Infante-Castillo, Nevaeh | Money, Gabrielle | Smith, Danielle | Woolen, Isabella |
| De Jesus, Renee Gabrielle | Jackson, Keith | Moran, Mihaila | Smith, Genevieve | You, Eric |
| Delaney, Lucia | Jeanblanc, Nicholas | Mosley, Kira | Smith, Jaylen | Young, James |
| Dolan, Lindsay | Jessup-May, Theophilus | Nedodog, Angel | Sprague, Jeremiah | Zepeda, Adrian |
| Dougherty, Cibelle | Johnson, Carter | Nelson, McKenna | St. Laurent, Akira | |
| Espitia, Christian | Johnson, Karise | Nguyen, Minh | Stanley, Iain | |
| Farris, Dominic | Kelley, Charles | Obsuna, Maria | Steadham, Charles | |



Ruby

Carpe Diem! Dream the dream, and always have the courage to follow your dreams. We love you! Congratulations!


— **Nanna & GrandStan**



Sam
"Sammy Bammy Whammy"

We love you and are so proud of you! We are always here for you, cheering you on!

— **Mom, Dad, Katherine, Ben, and Teddy**



Jeshua

May He give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed. (Psalm 20:4)

— **Dad, Mom and Jahdai**



Megan

We are so proud of you for your hard work and dedication! We love you!


— **Mom and Dad**



Ryusei

Congratulations, son! Your hard work and determination have paid off. We are immensely proud of you.

— **Mom & Dad**



Theophilus

Amati. We love you! Usiogope, Mungu yu pamoja nawe.

— **Mom, Dad, T2 & T3**

We could not have done it without you!

The Class of 2023 has experienced many difficult transitions, from the pandemic, to online school, and back again. Despite this, we have accomplished many great things. Some of our biggest accomplishments this year are our bond as a class through events such as Senior Sunrise, Secret Santa, Prom, and Torii Beach Day. Starting the year with fewer restrictions was a weight off of our shoulders, which allowed us to reignite senior traditions and lead the way to a more involved school. However, we could not have done it without the support of our community.

We would like to express our appreciation to everyone for helping us have a connected school year after the hardships COVID presented. We would also like to thank our massive community of loved ones, Kadena High School administration, and the DODEA family. Thank you, parents, who have trusted us in providing opportunities for your children; teachers who have invested in our education and future; staff, for your support in helping motivate us to strive for the best years in high school we could have ever wished for.

The administration at Kadena High School has gone through big changes, and we could not be more grateful for the arrival of our principal, Mr. Maxey, and vice principal, Dr. Bleeker. Mr. Maxey, you arrived at our school full of ideas and encouraging words to say. We are grateful to all those who aided us in beautifying the school, such as painting our parking lot or adding beautiful murals to our school. Your leadership has enabled us to accomplish many of our goals for the Class of 2023.

An incredibly special thank you to our amazing senior sponsors, Mrs. Faltz Stanley, Mrs. George, and Mrs. Ringgold for always showing us their support. Mrs. Faltz Stanley has been so helpful in guiding us through the year. We are so thankful to have someone so experienced to lean on. She has been nothing but supportive and validating of all of our ideas. Not only is she an astonishing teacher, but a dedicated senior mother, and an unbelievably great mentor. Mrs. George and Mrs. Ringgold a big thank you for keeping us reassured and the atmosphere positive, all the while acting as a foundation for us in our wildest ideas.

A much obliged thank you to Ms. Kisela. Words can not express the appreciation we have for you, for doing the most minute task to continuing to work with us even though you changed jobs. We also want to acknowledge our Mama-sans for keeping our school clean and us safe. You are not thanked enough and you deserve all the thanks. Additionally, thank you, counselors, to ensure we graduate.

Lastly, congratulations Seniors for persevering, growing, and inspiring others. Because of our involvement in the community, we have grown together as we struggled, made mistakes, and succeeded. We should be incredibly proud of all our accomplishments, and how much we have grown and learned.

*-Kadena High School Class of 2023 Officers,
Bella Bosch, Darbey Marczak, Jessica Flores Cruz,
Luke Chua Marquez, Jasmine Washington, Ayanna Levi*



Amiah

Congratulations, Amiah Cunningham! We are so proud of you! Best of Luck on your endeavors at Stephen F. Austin University. We love you!

— **Mom, Dad and Family**



Jason

Congratulations on this huge milestone! Good luck in Annapolis!

— **Love, Mom, Dad & Alivia**



Cathy

You amaze, inspire and delight! You're extraordinary! Reach for the stars! Jeremiah 29:11 We're so PROUD of you! Love Always,

— **Mom, Eric, and Grandpa**



Sam Roen and Maria Obsuna smile as they are recognized as Homecoming King and Queen at the football game.



Senior Karise Johnson runs the final leg of the 4X800 relay during a meet on the Kadena track.



Bella Bosch and Darbey Marczak capture the moment during the Senior Sunrise, which was held in September.

Class of 2023

Kadena Hi



Kellen Wobse and Evan Davis proudly dress like doubles during Twin Day.



Anthony Chavez runs toward the end zone during a game against Kinnick High School.



Kadena Principal Craig Maxey, Ryusei Packnett, and Assistant Principal Dr. James Bleecker don the school's letter jackets in a display of Panther Pride.



Nathan Asato runs for a forehand during a tennis match against Kubasaki.



Kadena Seniors are



AJ Millette (middle) with his teammates on the field for a game against Kadena.



Daniel Velasquez in the butterfly during a meet on the swim.

Kubasaki H



Armand Padilla, Connor Martin and Jacob Ne Ville hanging out during one of the JROTC BBQ's held biannually at Kubi.



Rogelio Gonzalez, Jaquin Silva, Kristen Lininger, Allyson Sizemore, Justin Murray and Bella Clark on the beach for Senior Sunrise on Torii Beach.



Kubasaki Senior Class enters the year's first pep rally for homecom

High School



All smiles.



Jace Taylor, Alex Stroud, Even Sayer, Jeremiah Sprague, Kellen Wobse, and, Lain Stanley flex after competing in the Power Lifting Competition, which was held for the first time at KDHS this year.



Sam Roen and Gabriel Martinez strike the iconic "Titanic" pose during the senior field trip to Torii Beach.



Megan Fife (Belle) and Lindsay Dolan (Lumiere) and Genevieve Smith (Cogsworth) perform in the POPS production of *Beauty and the Beast*.



A group of seniors and government teacher Steve Larson show off their creativity during Homecoming Spirit Week.



Mary Tracy, Christine Ryan, Jason Laird, and Lindsay Dolan give out free books during National Honor Society's Read Across America event.

High School



...ing in their traditional Walk of Honor.



Isaac Venegas, Justin Murray and Jacob Lewis get ready for tug of war against the juniors.



Allyson Sizemore and Caroline Law take a break after announcing student council business to the classes.



Ryder Beaudoin dresses up for Minion Day during Spirit Week.



Godfrey Wray with his father Coach Wray during Senior Night as Jaxon Mullen (77) looks on.



Kubasaki High School

Acosta, Jacob
 Adams, Nicholas
 Agee, Robert
 Aguilar, Johnathan
 Aguilera, Esperanza
 Alarcon, Amanda
 Anguiano, Sofia
 Aquino, Kirsten
 Auguste, Fushi
 Beaudoin, Ryder
 Bias, Donovan
 Bierman, Samuel
 Bradshaw, Destiny
 Bryant, Saarah
 Burrows, Marina
 Centamore, Angela
 Cernuto, Bailey
 Chandler, Megan

Clark, Bella
 Crisologo, Sir Amare
 Cruz, Alejandro
 Cruz, Carlos
 Eaton, Keara
 Espailat Recinos, Raul
 Etterer, Aidan
 Etterer, Noah
 Flores, Melanie
 Foreman, Yuriko
 Fuller, Tajane
 Garbutt, Christopher
 Glover, Darian
 Gonzales, Christian
 Gonzalez, Oscar
 Gonzalez, Rogelio
 Gribbon, Kristina Anne
 Grubbs, Sophia

Holsapple, Alexus
 Hoover, Chloe
 Hughes, Alexander
 Ingram, Ryan
 Inzunza, Alonso
 Johnson, Kadence
 Johnson, Lance
 Jones, Nevaeh
 Krantz, Hailey
 Kraus, Casey
 Laborn, Aaron
 Laborn, Layla
 Larry, Aiden
 Law, Caroline
 Leggio, Emma
 Lewis, Jacob
 Lininger, Kristen
 Lockhart, Adria

Luczak, Gavin
 Mallari, Lance Axcel
 Mangio, Mark
 Martin, Connor
 Martinez, Gavino
 McShane, Natalie
 Millette, Allan
 Mullen, Jaxson
 Murray, Justin
 Nater, Efrain
 Ne Ville, Jacob
 Oldroyd, Dylan
 Padilla, Armand
 Palmer, Natalie
 Piner, Jacob
 Podzon, Justin
 Potter, Hayden
 Rancloes, Alahna

Recinos, Jesus
 Rios, Jacina
 Rodriguez, Manuel
 Roque, Lilyana
 Sabido, Jeric
 Sandoval, Andres
 Serna, Ava
 Silva, Joaquin
 Sizemore, Allyson
 Vanegas, Isaac
 Vedsted, Mia
 Velazquez, Daniel
 Voelkel, Nora
 Welte, Andrew
 Williamson, Robert
 Wray, Godfrey
 Yeaman, Jocelyn
 Young, Tairen



AJ

Congratulations AJ, we are so proud of you!

— Love, mom, dad & Angelina



AJ

Congratulations AJ, good luck with college and your career!

— Love, Mimi and Miwa.



Alahna

Enjoy every minute of what is ahead & always chase your dreams. All of our love and support,

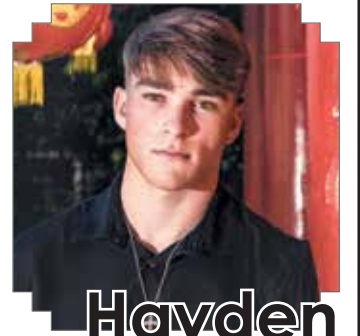
— Mom, Dad, & Aubriana



Daniel

Daniel, We are so proud and excited to see what the next chapter brings! God bless you!

— Love, Mom & Dad



Hayden

Congratulations! We are so proud of you and know that you will do great things at Arizona State University!

— Love, Mom and Dad



Kirsten Aquino performing for Cheer.



Sam Bierman is all smiles.

‘No words could express our unending gratitude’

Kubasaki’s class of 2023 is many things. We are intelligent, brave, disciplined, athletic, diverse, unique, determined, and most importantly we are supported. This group of 89 seniors has been supported by countless individuals. Family, friends, teachers, admin, mentors, and coaches from all over the world have shaped this class into what they are today. No words could express our unending gratitude for the foundations on which we each stand. We have the privilege of graduating surrounded by genuine and caring educators that constantly strive to set their students up for success, whatever that success may be. Success to some may look like joining the military, going to college, or trade school, taking a gap year, going on a mission, getting a job, or starting a business. The beautiful truth about our class is that success takes many forms. The common thread that connects us all is passion. Whether we are competing in a sport or painting a mural, or playing in the school band, Kubasaki has been a place for us to foster passion. A drive to be a part of something bigger than ourselves in hopes that someday we will aspire to share our passion further and with more confidence.

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We are a senior class that is unlike any other, incredibly driven and prepared for our next stages of life by many “villages”. So to these “villages,” we share our appreciation. We know that these journeys did not come without challenges and these stories without hardships. This is dedicated to anyone that had a part, big or small, in supporting Kubasaki’s class of 2023. Thank you for seeing our potential and fostering passion within us, and thank you for being the foundation on which we all stand.

*-Kubasaki High School Senior Class President,
Emma Leggio*



Bert Agee waiting to play during the Kubifest pep rally.



Mia Vedsted talks to the crowd during a performance of Kubasaki’s Drill Team.



Sir Amare Crisologo, Ryder Beaudion and Mia Vedsted cheer for their senior class in the school cheer off competition.



Donovan Bias, Esperanza Aguila, Amanda Alarcon, Isaac Venegas and Casey Kraus on the beach at Senior Sunrise on Torii Beach.

Congratulations to the class of 2023!



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