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EDUCATION

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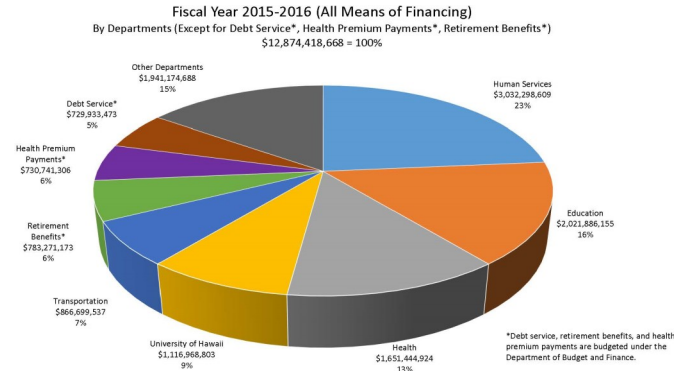
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One of the components to providing high-quality education programs is the importance of maintaining school facilities. An effective school facility is responsive to the changing programs in schools and at a minimum should provide a physical environment that is comfortable, safe and secure, and meets the needs of the school's various programs. The school facility consists of not only the physical structure and the variety of building systems but also includes furnishings, equipment, supplies and various aspects of the grounds, such as playgrounds, athletic fields, and vehicular access and parking. The school facility is an integral component of the conditions of learning.

Maintenance and modernization needs of schools require both one-time and continuing sources of money. This means that adequate funds need to be allocated each year to be sure that proper maintenance, upgrades and renovations can take place as necessary. I am pleased to report that appropriations for the following projects are in the Capital Improvement Project budget:

- ◆ Helemano Elementary:
 - \$144,000 for drainage improvements
 - \$37,000 for miscellaneous repair and maintenance.
- ◆ Iliahi Elementary:
 - \$250,000 for structural repairs
 - \$130,000 to reroof kitchen
 - \$42,000 for covering of playcourts
- ◆ Kaala Elementary:
 - \$58,000 for installing restroom vents
 - \$84,000 for electrical improvements
- ◆ Leilehua High:
 - \$264,000 for Makai Road conc swale
 - \$60,000 for reroof and repairs
 - \$158,000 and \$160,000 for reroofing
- ◆ Wahiawa Elementary:
 - \$60,000 for drainage improvements
 - \$60,000 for miscellaneous repairs and maintenance
- ◆ Wahiawa Middle:
 - \$120,000 for acoustical improvements
- ◆ Wheeler Elementary:
 - \$192,000 for resurfacing of play area black top
- ◆ Wheeler Middle:
 - \$198,000 for reroof
 - \$120,000 for computer lab upgrades

YOUR TAX DOLLARS WORKING



ARE YOU PREPARED?

The time to prepare for a natural disaster, whether it's a flood, tropical storm, hurricane, tsunami, or some other event is now. Hurricane season is officially from June to November and the Pacific is already tracking tropical depressions. Below are links to help you prepare for this season. Should a natural disaster strike, I will be sending out emails with information and numbers to contact for shelters and aid.

Red Cross Kit Check List

Oahu Pet Friendly Shelters

Hawaii State Civil Defense—P: 733-4300 or 733-4301

City and County of Honolulu Department of Emergency Management—P: 723-8960

NOAA Weather Radio—<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/nwr/>



Senator at Mililani Ike May Day Program



Senator speaking at the Dedication of Murals at the Wahiawa Transit Center.