

# Design intelligence lab

WhereU@AMS



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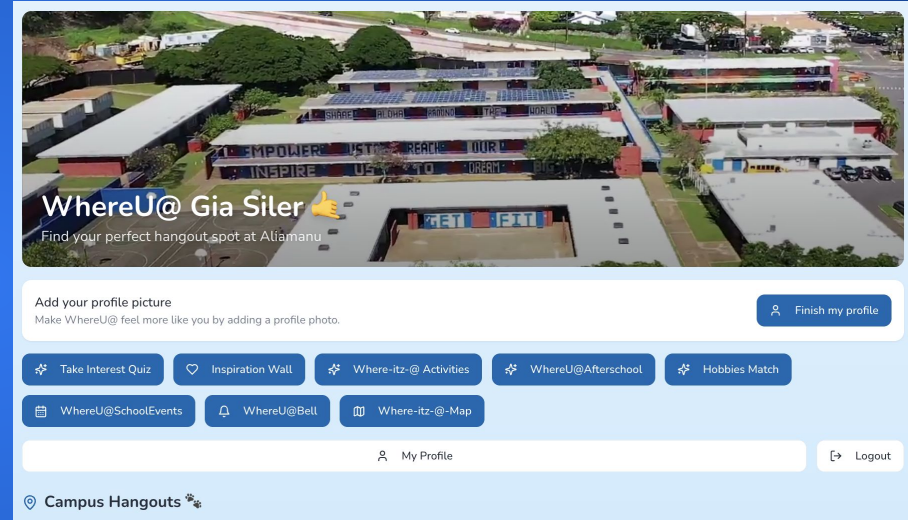


# Picture This...



# Purpose of our App WhereU@AMS

- Social connection app that **takes student interest and connects them** with others
- 7 elementary schools feeding into AMS
- Our school is 70% military we get up to 120 students coming in & out of our school throughout the year

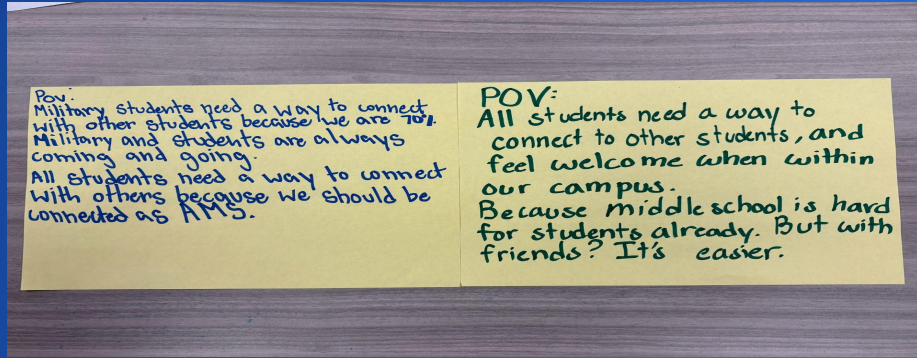


# How We Found Our Problem...Empathy

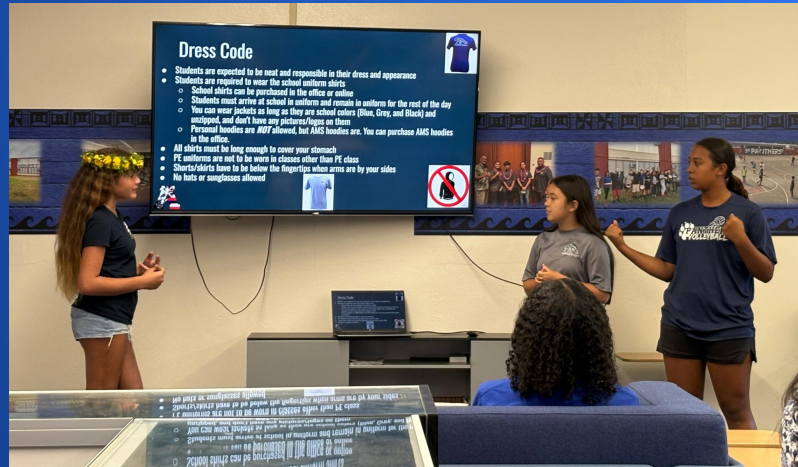
- Interviewed our community: teachers, staff, admin and students
- During the interviews we discovered that connecting with other was a challenges at our school
- This **empathy stage** help influence our design

Say/DO (what)	Think/feel (why)
-Helping Transitions	- 75% military students
-App to let students to talk with friends w/one another	- middle school is difficult for some students
-more Ohana in teams	- to help students connect w/one another
-make new students feel more connection with other students	- to help end drama
	- because then we can help end problem between students
NEEDS	INSIGHTS

# Point of View ( POV )



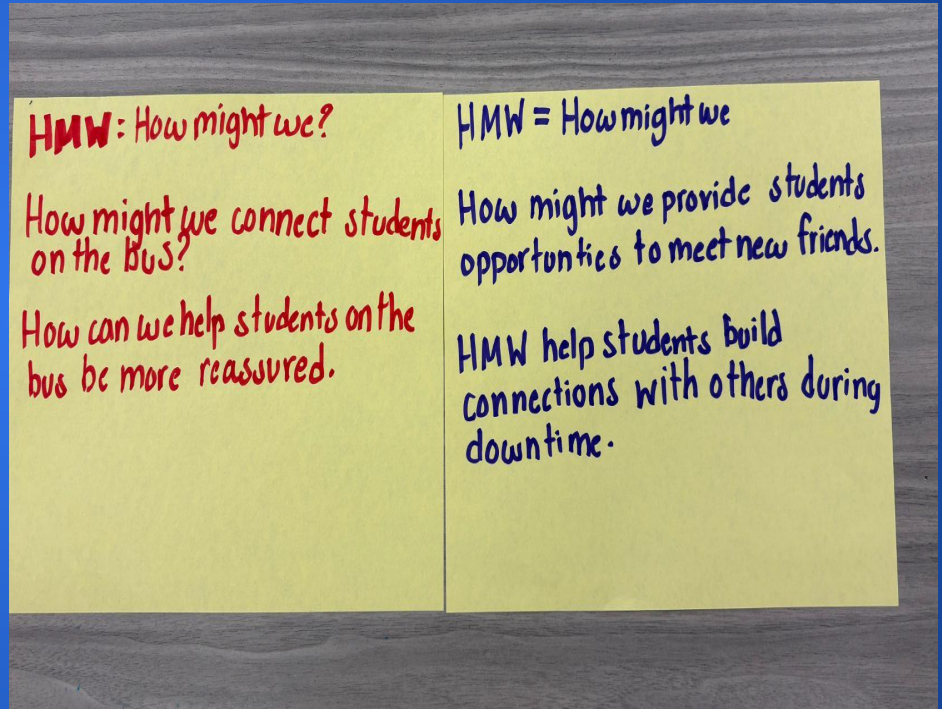
- Primarily military students struggle with connecting to others (moving all the time)



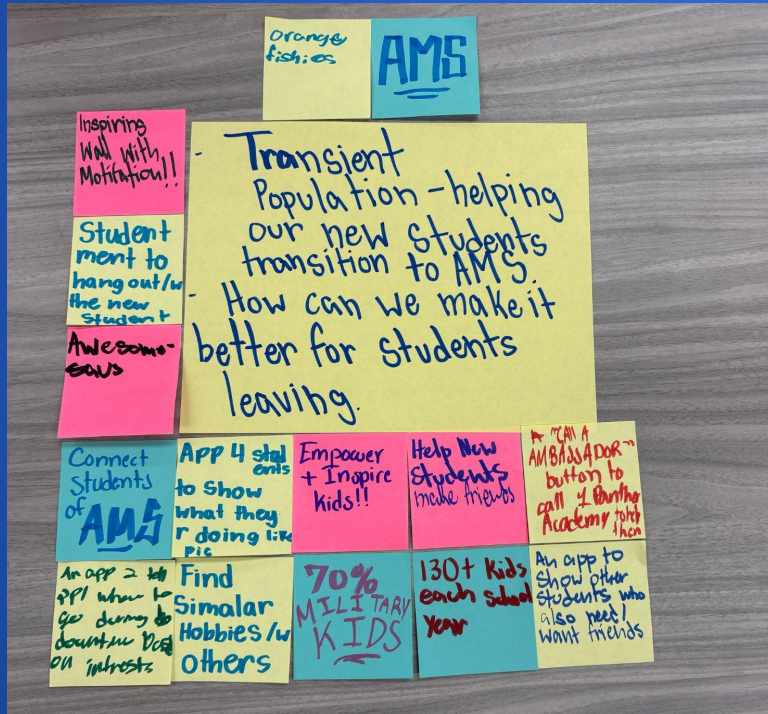
- Our app helps them form friendships in a changing community

# How might we ...

- Our statement is “How might we connect students during downtime?”



# Solutions and Ideas



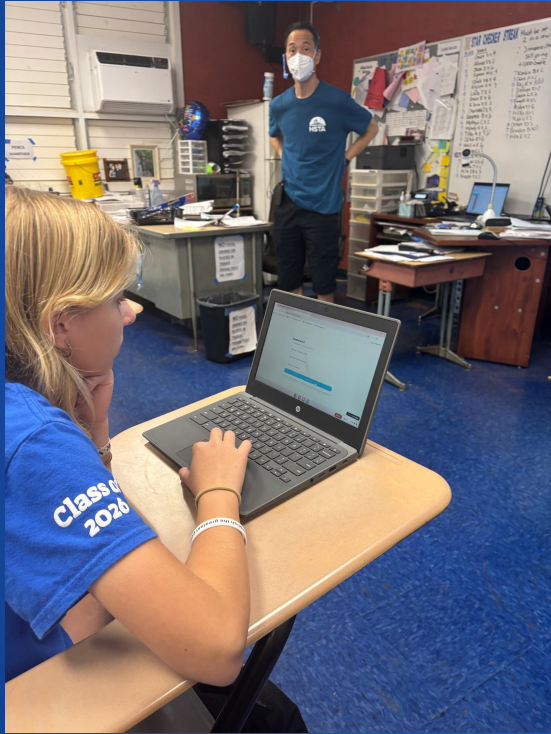
- We use our own personal experiences and interest and we found that creating our app combined all our ideas
- WhereU@ helps students learn about other, build connections, and so much more!



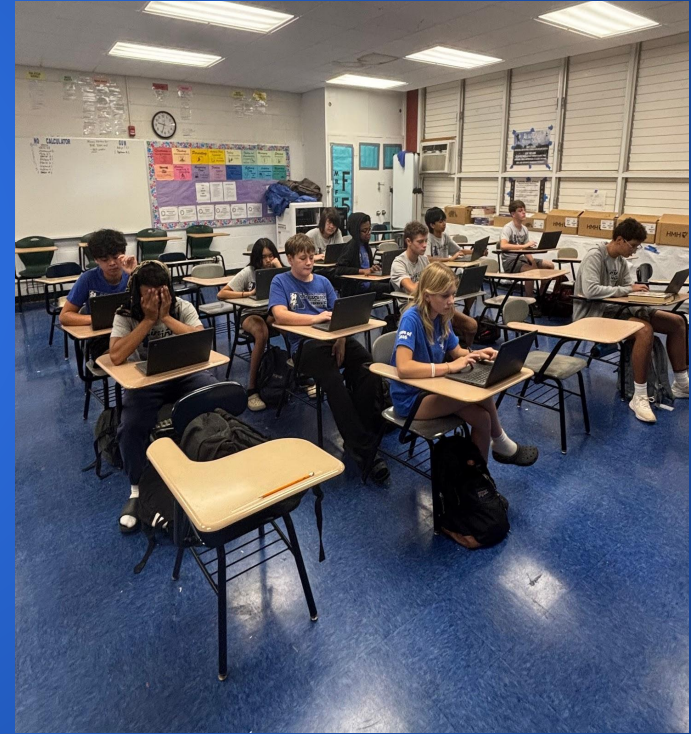




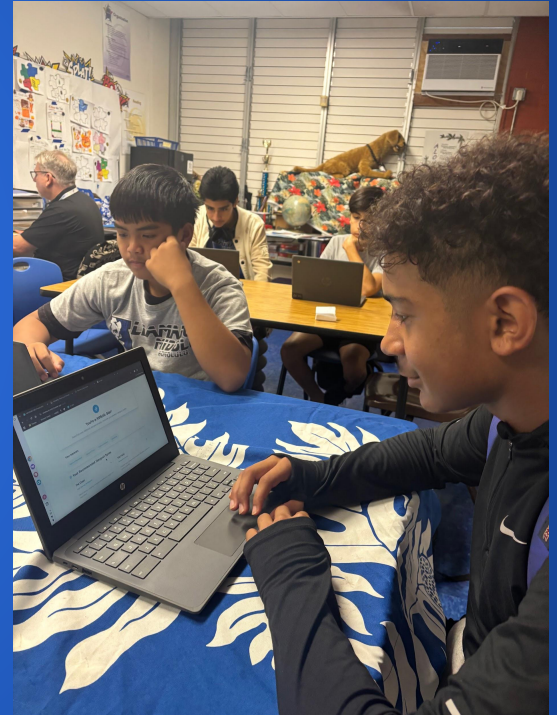
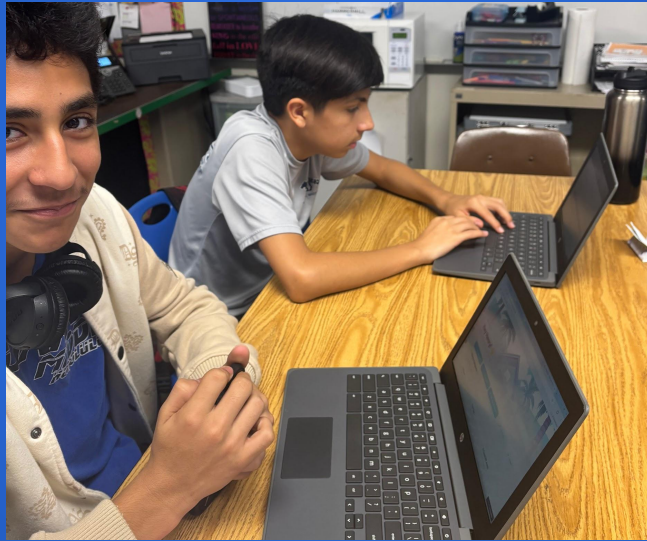
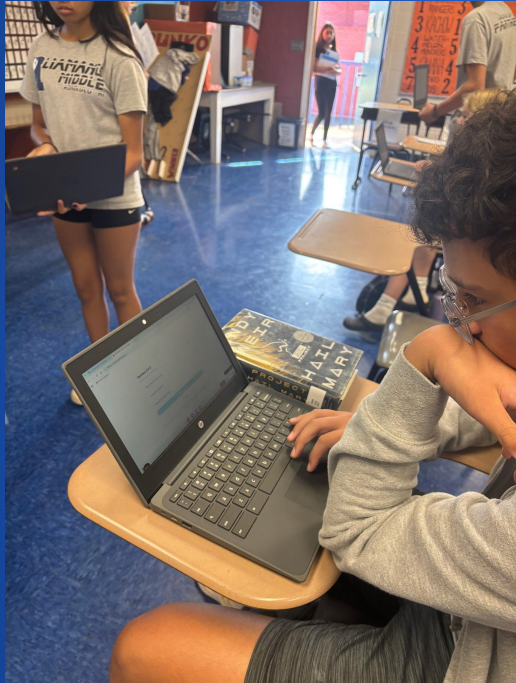
# Testing Our Prototype



- We visited different advisories to test our app
- We used the feedback that helped make the app more student friendly overall.



# Testing



# Presenting Our App for Feedback

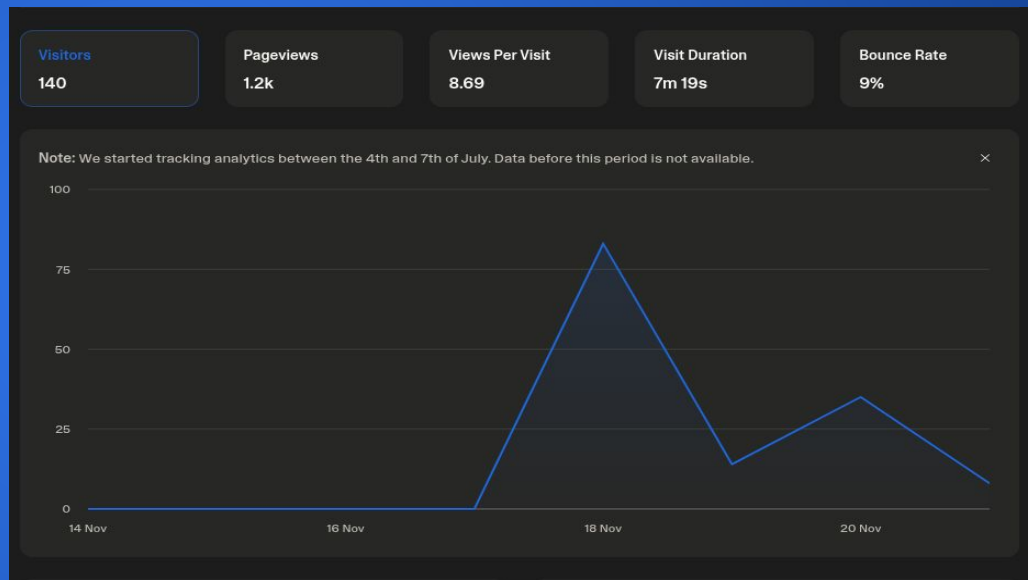


Timestamp	Email Address	After learning about the prototype, I liked...	I wish this app would...(additional or modified features you would want)	What if this app...(concerns)	I wonder...(questions you have about the app)
11/18/2025 9:10:34	2222401226@k12.hi.us	Everything	Connect to others from far away so I could share with my friends from Texas.	No concerns	None other then its very interesting
11/18/2025 9:10:53	2232400780@k12.hi.us	how you can make friends through the app	allow you to add already existing friends to the group chat.	doesn't allow people to put hobbies not on the list	if I could send a picture of my dog to my friend
11/18/2025 9:11:00	2032301600@k12.hi.us	The concept	have games to play if your not ready to meet yet	is used to cheat in class	if teachers would be on it
11/18/2025 9:11:12	2091702725@k12.hi.us	That you can find somebody with similar interests, so i can find someone who likes dogs.	A dogs category, or maybe you can optionally share your periods to see if you have any periods together.	What if adults somehow get on the app and do bad things, like use it for bullying.	I wonder if I can see if we have any periods together.
11/18/2025 9:11:22	2042600038@k12.hi.us	That you could up-load your own profile picture type thing	Allow one on one conversations	I don't have concerns	I don't have one
11/18/2025 9:11:24	2232500953@k12.hi.us	how you can talk with people you dont know and get to know other people who like the same interest	be able to go to the gc so you could have group lunch insted of the 3 people	found weird things that dont belong in this school	nothing
11/18/2025 9:11:37	2091702907@k12.hi.us	How you can find other people	Show pics of the other people	Shows weird things	If this will be weird
11/18/2025 9:11:46	2202300000@k12.hi.us	you can have profile pictures and make new freinds.	could Have more options of what your intrested is.	has predators	I wonder if you can download it.
11/18/2025 9:12:22	2151905472@k12.hi.us	I liked that we can connect with other people and get to know some friends with other people	I wish this app would allow us to have more people in our groups.	What would happen if people say silly or inappropriate things.	I wonder if you can go on call
11/18/2025 9:12:56	2042600161@k12.hi.us	The overall idea of having an app to make new friends that you are probably gonna get along well with.	I wish this app had the choice to post?	What if this app matches us with our opps...	I wonder if I will be matched with my friends?
11/18/2025 9:14:16	2152501365@k12.hi.us	you can put what your hobbies are and that you can text others about how there day was	I wish that they would add games	what if this app had points so you can earn when you get a certain amount of point with you freinds/gorupes	I wonder If they would read my refleaction
11/18/2025 9:14:39	2151905505@k12.hi.us	The way they were creative	Not be AI because AI has a bad reputation after whats been happening	Weird stuff	if i could be made withouth AI
11/18/2025 9:15:06	2092201077@k12.hi.us	Being able to match up with people with similar interest.	Have more security maybe using AI or programmed flag warnings. No just adult supervision.	Adults or workers even families.	I wonder if you can look into other peoples bios/accounts even if they have different hobbies.
11/20/2025 10:34:53	2042500617@k12.hi.us	I like about how it helped me	I wish this app had more too it	didn't work	if this app can be trusted

**Collecting feedback from over 125 people to help improve our app.**

# Some of the data we collected

- 140 visitors
- 1.2k Page viewers
- 8 minutes average visit time



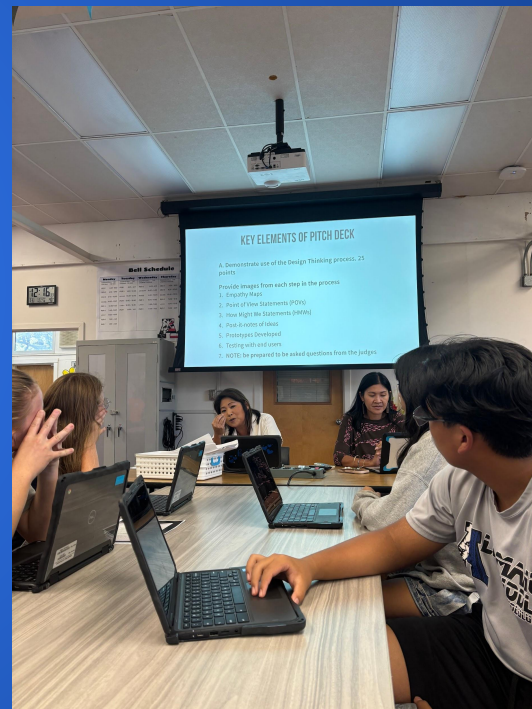
# A problem we had encountered



- After our last presentation we realized that we were out of credits
- That meant that we couldn't edit our app at all
- we decided to completely recreate our app on another group members lovable ai account which gave us 55 new credits

# Changes We Made

- Staff and admin accounts
- Added photos of our campus
- Bell Schedule and countdown
- School Map
- Added a way to connect students with others



**LINK** <https://whereu-recreated-clone.lovable.app>

# First Prototype

Make whereU@ feel more like you by adding a profile photo. [Finish my profile](#)

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## [Campus Hangouts](#)

[Hangout Spots](#) [Upcoming Activities](#) [Where-itz-@](#)

### The Court

High Energy & Athletic

Where sporty, outgoing, energetic students play sports and stay active

### The Field

Relaxed & Active

A quieter space where many students still gather, perfect for outdoor activities

### E Quad (PE Area)

Low-key & Casual

A good hangout spot that's somewhat on the down low, near where PE is held

### B-C Turf Area

Social & Communal

Picnic tables between B and C buildings, popular during lunch, quieter at recess

### D Building Turf

Popular & Lively

Benches and lots of people hanging out in this popular spot

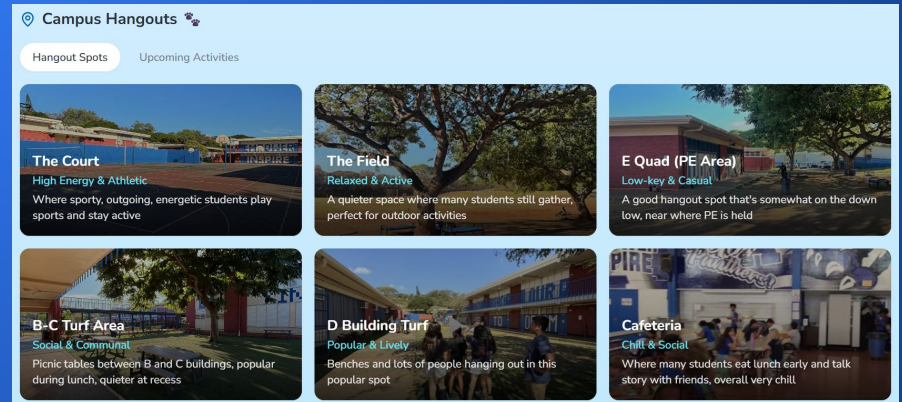
### Cafeteria

Chill & Social

Where many students eat lunch early and talk story with friends, overall very chill

# Visual Changes to New Version

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# Update on WhereU@AMS

CURRENTLY...

- We are focusing on connecting students with other students (more than just locations on campus)
- Using our survey we realized that we could add deeper questions that would provide more information to “match up” students with other students on campus that share common interests.
- This information will also be shared with teachers as they receive new students in their class. This information about their new student may allow them to connect faster.
- We currently are consulting with professionals in the industry.
- We are moving forward with trying to make WhereU@AMS a real working app.



**E KOMO MAI**  
Welcome  
SAKAI TOWN  
SAKAI 1ST JR. HIGH SCHOOL  
SAKAI 2ND JR. HIGH SCHOOL

**Y&U**  
Matter

**kind**  
BE KIND

**BE KIND**  
BE KIND

**BE KIND**  
BE KIND

**DISCOVER**  
Delphi

**ALUMABO KIDZ**  
WE GOT YOUR BACK

**BE KIND**  
BE KIND

years of early  
Thinking I will soon  
and people from 8 miles



# Mahalo Nui Loa !!



Are there any questions??







Different features on our app




## WhereU@Afterschool

Set how you get home and see when bus time is coming up.

 1311800531 • Grade not set

### My ride home

How are you getting home?

Riding the bus 

Select your bus number

Bus 9 • ~2:42 PM 

Save After-School Plan

### Bus time countdown

4h 54m 56s until bus 9 leaves

Warning. Bus routes may vary depending on schedule. Always be ready for the bus to come!

### After-school activities today

- Homework Help • Library • 3:00 - 4:00 PM
- Sports Practice • Field & Gym • 3:15 - 4:30 PM
- Clubs & Activities • Various rooms • Check with your teacher

Current: Period 4

 **63:11**

until bell

Next: Lunch (11:20 AM)

 **Wednesday Schedule**

**Period 2** (80 min) 7:55 AM - 9:15 AM

**Advisory** (30 min) 9:20 AM - 9:50 AM

**Recess** (15 min) 9:50 AM - 10:05 AM

**Period 4** (70 min) 10:10 AM - 11:20 AM

**Lunch** (30 min) 11:20 AM - 11:50 AM

**Period 6** (70 min) 11:55 AM - 1:05 PM



## Inspiration Wall

Share quotes that inspire you and discover what motivates your classmates

### Add Your Inspiration

Share a quote, saying, or message that inspires you

Quote or Message \*

You're so cool!

15/500 characters

Author (optional)

Cady

Add to Wall

### ♥ Messages from Your Classmates

*"your awesome"*

2/17/2026

*"you're amazing!"*

2/12/2026

*"your amazingggggg"*

2/6/2026

## Share a Student-Led Activity

Let others know what you've brought to school and where to find you.

What are you doing? \*

Volleyball

10/300 characters

Volleyball nets today: Unknown

Nets are UP

Nets are NOT up

When is it happening? \*

Lunch

Your name \*

Andrew

Post to Where-itz-@

## Hobbies Match

Share what you like to do and find other students with similar hobbies.

### My hobbies

List your hobbies (separate with commas)

Volleyball

Save & Find Matches

You added:

volleyball

### Students who share your hobbies

Save your hobbies to find matches!

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Go Panthers! 



# WhereU@SchoolEvents

Upcoming

My Favorites



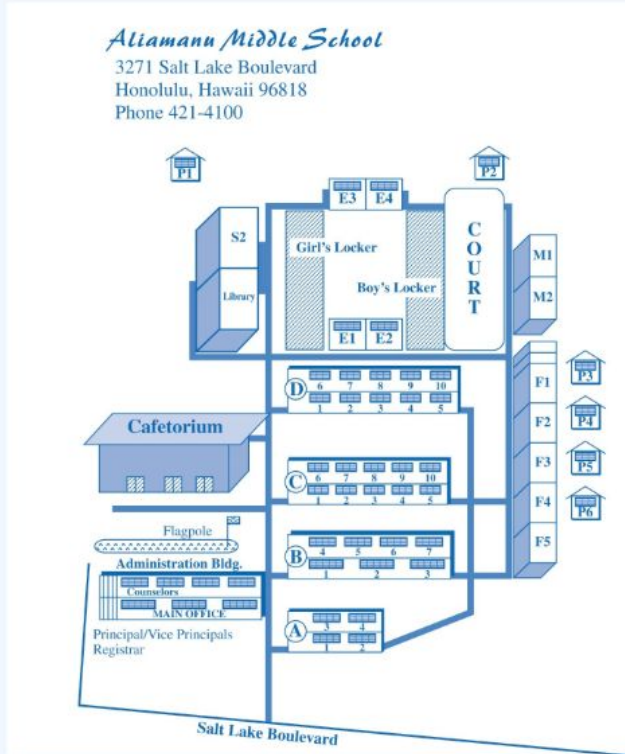
No upcoming events. Check back later!

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Go Panthers! 🐾

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# Where-itz-@-Map



Use your mouse wheel or buttons to zoom. Click and drag to pan around the campus.