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Hawai'i State Tours

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Grand Rapids High School Band

2025 Hawaii Tour "The Trip of a Lifetime!"

Travel Dates: March 27th - April 3rd, 2025

DAY ONE / MARCH 27 / THURSDAY

1200AM.Midnight Arrive at GRHS, meet in Reif Center on Stage. Get luggage tag, meet

assigned chaperone and get final instructions.

1230AM Load buses for airport1245AM Leave for MSP Airport

415AM Arrive at MSP, unload and head to check in. Stay with your flight,

American Airlines group will check all large equipment on their plane.

Don't forget your assigned instrument.

545AM Everyone should be thru security. Head to your gate, chill out, grab

some breakfast and list for loading instructions on plane.

HAWAII ARRIVAL FLIGHT SCHEDULE

United Airlines 73 seats - Conf #HZXOJT (23) / Conf #HZY6VZ (25) / Conf # HZYGKX (22) Conf # CVV53K (2) / Conf # CKE6RZ (3)

DATE	FLIGHT	DEPART	TIME	ARRIVE	TIME
27MAR25	318	Minneapolis, MN (MSP)	845A	Denver, CO (DEN)	1007 AM
20MAR25	384	Denver, CO (DEN)	1205 PM	Honolulu, HI (HNL)	342 PM

American Airlines 70 Seats - Conf #DLARPF (50) / Conf #KOLHQT (20) / Conf #OAAIKK (1)

DATE	FLIGHT	DEPART	TIME	ARRIVE	TIME
27MAR25	3143	Minneapolis, MN (MSP)	715 AM	Phoenix, AZ (PHX)	853 AM
27MAR25	0692	Phoenix, AZ (PHX)	1120 AM	Honolulu, HI (HNL)	320 PM

400PM

All depart for Honolulu, Hawaii. Upon arrival, get the first experience of the Aloha Spirit with a traditional **fresh flower lei greeting**. After identification of luggage, board buses for transfer to **The Twin Fin** located at 2570 Kalakaua Ave, (808) 922-2511

Meet in the lobby for a short walk to Queen Kapi'olani Beach for the **Aloha Orientation Dinner and Briefing** with local entertainment and hula lessons.

DAY TWO/ MARCH 28 / FRIDAY

Good morning! No, you're not dreaming...we're still in paradise! The biggest decision we'll have to make is what to eat for breakfast. **Breakfast available from 6:30am.**

730AM Board buses to start our adventure with the **Grand Ali'i Tour,** a narrated drive across the Ko'olau Mountains to the tropical Windward side of O'ahu.

We are met by our guide, a Polynesian Chief, who will share some of the customs and cultures of the native islanders. We'll enjoy an educational stroll through botanical gardens and learn to make fire from sticks, husk and open a coconut and much, much more.

It's not over.... board a raft to access our secluded getaway to **Secret Island**. Watch out for the live barracuda! The tour includes "fun in the sun" at a private island for the day, including volleyball, canoeing, kayaking, stand-up paddle board, badminton, sunbathing, lazin' in the hammock and so much more! Don't forget to lather up that sunscreen! Also included is a **delicious catered lunch!**

Depart for **Diamond Head**. On our way back to Waikiki, we will make a visit to the **Nu'uanu Pali**. This is the site of the Battle of Nu'uanu, one of the bloodiest battles in Hawaiian history, in which Kamehameha I conquered the island of Oahu, bringing it under his rule. The Nu'uanu Pali State Wayside is a lookout above the tunnels where visitors are treated to a panoramic view of Oahu's windward side of the island. It is also well known for strong trade winds that blow through the pass forming a sort of natural wind tunnel.

200PM Start stretching as we prepare to hike about 3/4 of a mile to the 760-foot summit of the most recognized mountain in the world - **Diamond Head**Crater! Bring your camera for a fantastic 360-degree view of the southeast coast! Below, we'll see the lighthouse, coral reefs, sailboats, and even surfers on the waves at Diamond Head Beach! *Return to the hotel approximately*4:00PM.

445PM Jazz Band – Load up on 1 motor coach (standing by) and depart for Ala Moana for set up. Dinner on your own before your performance.

Non-performers: Dinner on your own and prepare for your shuttle times below:

Group 1 (non-performers) - Load up on 1 motor coach (returning after dropping the Jazz Band) and depart for **Ala Moana Shopping Center.**

Group 2 (non-performers) - Load up on 1 motor coach (returning after dropping the Group 1) and depart for **Ala Moana Shopping Center.**

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700PM Jazz Band Performance at Ala Moana Shopping Center.

800PM Jazz Band & Group 1 – Load up on 2 motor coaches (standing by) and return

to the hotel

900PM *Remaining* **Jazz Band & Group 2** – Load up on 2 motor coaches (returning)

and return to the hotel

DAY THREE / MARCH 29 / SATURDAY

Breakfast available at Restaurant 604 at 7:00am.

630AM Depart hotel for transfer to **Pearl Harbor** to see where history was made.

*Due to increased security measures, all purses, handbags, backpacks, fanny packs, camera bags, diaper bags, luggage and/or any other type of bag that can conceal an object are not permitted inside Pearl Harbor, the Visitor's

Center, or to any of the attractions.

700AM Breakfast at **Restaurant 604** (breakfast includes French toast, breakfast

sausage, and scrambled eggs. Vegetarian, gluten-free, and dairy-free meals available. Note: coffee will not be served at the restaurant). After breakfast,

board buses for transfer to the performance area.

900AM Pearl Harbor – Remember the Heroes Performance Time: You are now

officially a part of history! Your spotlight performance is followed by a

Wreath Ceremony, and a Flag and Trophy presentation.

At the **Pearl Harbor's U.S.S. Bowfin**, we'll go below deck to wind our way through the narrow compartments where the Bowfin's crew worked, ate and slept through nine harrowing war patrols. You will learn about the Bowfin, which served with great distinction in WWII and earned her nickname "**The**"

Pearl Avenger."

We head over to the **U.S.S. Arizona Memorial Visitor Center** and experience the film "Pearl Harbor Story", the visitor center museum, boarding a Navy launch and entering the memorial. We will witness the actual sunken hull where over 1000 servicemen were entombed during the December 7, 1941, sneak attack on Pearl Harbor. *Tour times based on direct*

group ticket purchase: (Length of tour: 55 minutes)

1045AM 59 People: Enter theater for start of **Arizona Tour**

1115AM 58 People: Enter theater for start of **Arizona Tour**

1200PM 24 People: Enter theater for start of **Arizona Tour**

1230PM After our tour, we will have a boxed **lunch**.

100PM

We'll board our bus to take the **Honolulu City Tour**. We'll drive pass the **Iolani Palace**—the only royal palace on American soil, the **King Kamehameha Statue**, **Hawaii State Capitol**, and through **China Town**. *Return to the hotel at approximately 2:00pm*.

400PM

Depart for Nutridge Estate and Experience Nutridge

Nutridge is the home of Hawaii's first macadamia nut harvest. See, smell, touch, taste, hear and experience a special part of Hawaii's history at the beautiful Pu'u Ualaka'a – Nutridge Estate. The Estate has hosted many icon guests including Clark Gable, Marilyn Monroe, Charlie Chaplin, and was one of Elvis Presley's favorite hang outs on O'ahu. To end the luau, our guests enjoy our Hawaiian cuisine, prepared fresh from a farm-to-table buffet. Hula the night away at this authentic Hawaiian luau. *Return to Waikiki approximately 9:00pm.*

DAY FOUR / MARCH 30 / SUNDAY

Breakfast available from 6:30am.

730AM

Load motorcoaches to head over to The Aloha Stadium for the local "Swap Meet" or Flea Market. Here you will be able to purchase souvenirs to take back home.

900AM

Performance at Aloha Stadium

930AM

Put instruments away, check out Swap Meet for amazing shopping, snacks, souvenirs & much more.

1030AM

We'll begin our drive to the North Shore of O'ahu where surfing daredevils gather from around the world to compete in riding the monster waves that are often taller than most buildings. Sunset Beach is the local favorite and is legendary for its 20-foot waves. The North Shore is also the home of the famous Banzai Pipeline. "Banzai" is used as toast or a battle cry meaning "go for it". In the 1950's a surfer yelled, "Banzai" as he rode a massive wave and the word lives on. When the ocean hits the shallow coral shelf offshore, a wave forms that is so steep that it rolls and makes a nearly perfect tube or pipeline. It is the holy grail of surf challenges.

1130AM

Stop at **Dole Plantation**. Originally operated as a fruit stand beginning in 1950, Dole Plantation opened to the public as Hawaii's "Pineapple Experience" in 1989. Today, Dole plantation us one of Oahu's most popular visitor attractions and welcomes more than one million visitors a year. Get a Pineapple Whip, shop for souvenirs, see amazing botanical gardens and how pineapples are grown!

1215PM

Load Buses for the BEACH!!!

100PM Arrive at beautiful Waimea Bay. You will have time to relax in the sun or

swim in the waves. (Swimming subject to surf conditions)

500PM Load buses to stop at the local surfer village, **Haleiwa Town** - this historical

place retains much of the old style of Hawai'i and offers a variety of

restaurants, surf shops, clothing stores, and the famous "shave ice" stands.

Dinner at your leisure in **Haleiwa**; **\$20 cash back provided**.

630PM Board buses to return to hotel

DAY FIVE / MARCH 31 / MONDAY

300AM Pack bags and check out of rooms. Grab a breakfast bag in the lower lobby.

340AM Load motorcoaches for early morning flight to Hilo.

INTERISLAND FLIGHT SCHEDULE

Southwest Airlines: 148 Seats HOLDING 2 EXTRA SEATS FOR TD'S

DATE	FLIGHT	DEPART	TIME	ARRIVE	TIME
31MAR25	0769	Honolulu, HI (HNL	600 AM	HILO, HI (ITO)	705 AM

Southwest Airlines: 90 Seats Conf # 3LS2I2 (3HU50L) Southwest Airlines: 58 Seats Conf # 3LTLB2 (3HWUKD)

Upon arrival, meet outside at baggage claim - identify and claim luggage, board buses for our Grand Circle Island Tour. We will visit two waterfalls this morning, **Akaka Falls** – *a 1.2 mile hike around the rainforest to the waterfall viewing.*

1030AM Stop in **Hilo Town** for shopping at your leisure.

Lunch on your own at the Farmers Market or around Hilo Town

- Places to eat

1200PM Board buses and depart for the **Hawaii Volcano National Park Tour**: An

island of diversity and beauty, The Big Island has everything from volcanoes and black sand beaches to tropical rain forests. Stop at the Visitor's Center, Steam Bluffs, Kilauea Iki Crater, Thurston Lava Tube.

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- Hike through the lava tube

400PM Depart for Punalu'u Black Sand Beach – Quick stop about twenty minutes

away at **Punalu'u Black Sand Beach** for a quick photo opportunity.

530PM Depart for the hotel. Use the restroom - 2 hour drive ahead!

730PM Arrive at **Royal Kona Resort** located at 75-5852 Ali'i Dr, Kailua-Kona, HI

96740, (808) 329-3111.

DAY SIX / APRIL 1 / TUESDAY

Breakfast available in the hotel's restaurant from 6:30am - 9:30am.

This morning, enjoy free time to rest or choose from the following activities

Free Activities:

King Kamehameha Hotel –Tiny Beach Shopping on Ali'i Drive

Hang out at the Hotel Pool and visit the Saltwater Pool (5 minute walk)

Paddle board lessons available and times will be shared by your **Tour Manager** - **\$140.00 per person**

1000AM Meet in the lobby and board buses for Hapuna Beach Park
1100AM Arrive and enjoy the beautiful white sand beaches!
Bring snacks & drinks, no concessions available.

100PM Board buses back to Kona

200PM Arrive to the hotel

430PM Meet in the lobby and walk to dinner at **Foster's Kitchen**: Farewell Group Dinner

Optional Activities to Purchase:

Manta Ray Night Snorkel 42 people max check in 4:00pm - 8:30pm \$190.00 per person

*Transportation separately 3:30pm – 9:00pm

Snacks included

Maunakea Stellar Explorer 36 people max 3:30pm - 10:00pm \$220.00 per person

*Dinner included

DAY SEVEN / APRIL 2 / WEDNESDAY

Breakfast available in the hotel's restaurant from 6:30am - 9:30am.

This morning, enjoy free time to rest or choose from the following activities

Free Activities:

King Kamehameha Hotel –Tiny Beach Shopping on Ali'i Drive

Hang out at the Hotel Pool and visit the Saltwater Pool (5 minute walk)

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1200PM Then, comes the complete check out procedure. Bring all carry-on items to

designated areas for storage and turn in keys at the front desk.

Say aloha to Hawaii!

500PM United Airlines #1731: Board motor coaches for Kailua-Kona Airport United Airlines #0664: Board motor coaches for Kailua-Kona Airport

DEPARTURE SCHEDULE

United Airlines: 75 Seats

DATE	FLIGHT	DEPART	TIME	ARRIVE	TIME
02Apr25	1731	Kailua Kona, HI (KOA)	8:00PM	Denver, CO (DEN)	6:35AM+1
03Apr25	0451	Denver, CO (DEN)	9:45AM	Minneapolis Saint Paul, MN (MSP)	1243PM

^{*+1} arrives the next day

American Airlines: 71 Seats

DATE	FLIGHT	DEPART	TIME	ARRIVE	TIME
27Mar25	0664	Kailua Kona, HI (KOA)	9:10PM	Phoenix, AZ (PHX)	5:59AM+1
27Mar25	1032	Phoenix, AZ (PHX)	9:01AM	Minneapolis Saint Paul, MN (MSP)	2:14PM

^{*+1} arrives the next day

DAY EIGHT / APRIL 3 / THURSDAY

This concludes the trip, but we're sure that you'll have some new friendships, have been touched by the many diverse customs and cultures, and have experiences and fond memories to last a lifetime!!!

ALOHA!!