

# PETITION TO CHANGE KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS' ADMISSION POLICY

## The Legacy of a Princess

*As excerpted from the Kamehameha Schools website:*

*“Princess Pauahi had witnessed the growing influence and domination of foreigners and the physical and social decline of her people. . . . Believing that education was the only force which could reverse the hopelessness of her people. . . Princess Pauahi created her Will as an instrument of change. . .”*

## Will of Bernice Pauahi Bishop

*“To devote a portion of each years income to the support and education of orphans, and others in indigent circumstances, **giving the preference to Hawaiians of pure or part aboriginal blood**”*

## KEEPERS OF THE TRUST

*“I also give unto my said trustees full power to make all such rules and regulations as they may deem necessary for the government of said schools and to regulate the admission of pupils, **and the same to alter, amend and publish upon a vote of a majority of said trustees.**”*

PLEASE SIGN THIS PETITION DEMANDING THAT THE “KEEPERS OF THE TRUST” ALSO KNOWN AS THE TRUSTEES OF THE KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS IMMEDIATELY ALTER, AMEND AND CHANGE THEIR HIGHLY COMPETITIVE ADMISSION POLICY SO THAT ALL HAWAIIAN STUDENTS CAN BENEFIT FROM PRINCESS PAUAHI’S LEGACY.

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THE EXISTING TRUSTEES' POLICY ADMITS ONLY HAWAIIAN APPLICANTS WHO MEET A VERY HIGH STANDARD CRITERIA. THERE MAY BE AS MANY AS 42 STUDENTS OF HAWAIIAN ANCESTRY WHO APPLIED FOR ADMISSION INTO THE 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE, MAUI CAMPUS, AND WERE DENIED BECAUSE THEY DID NOT MEET THIS STANDARD.

THE TRUSTEES' CURRENT POLICY THEN ALLOWED A STUDENT OF NON-HAWAIIAN ANCESTRY WHO MET THE HIGH STANDARD CRITERIA SET BY THE TRUSTEES TO BE ADMITTED INTO THE SCHOOL OVER THE HAWAIIAN APPLICANTS.

THIS PETITION SEEKS TO CHANGE THE TRUSTEES' CURRENT ADMISSION POLICY SO THAT HAWAIIAN APPLICANTS, WHO ARE THE BENEFICIARIES OF THE TRUST, CAN GAIN ADMISSION AND BENEFIT FROM THE EDUCATION PRINCESS PAUHI INTENDED TO PROVIDE FOR THEM.

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