

2024 Eddie Would Go Essay Contest

FOR THE STUDENT: TIPS AND REMINDERS FOR WRITING YOUR ESSAY

Before you write, do some research. Possible resources include:

- Read the book, "Eddie Would Go" by Stuart Coleman (found in St of HI public libraries).
- View the **ESPN** documentary, "Hawaiian: The Legend of Eddie Aikau" *Teachers or parents may email the Foundation & we will arrange to lend a copy of the documentary to be shown to the students, subject to availability of supplies. Email the Foundation at: info@eddieaikaufoundation.org to make the arrangements.* This DVD is also available for purchase on Amazon, search under the title of the documentary.
- Search the internet e.g., newspaper articles in *The Honolulu Star Advertiser*, various other magazines, and media resources.
- Talk with someone who knew Eddie Aikau. Members of the Aikau Ohana are willing to speak with interested students about Eddie's life. **Email them to make arrangements: info@eddieaikaufoundation.org**
- Visit the Eddie Aikau Foundation website: www.eddieaikaufoundation.org
- Visit the Polynesian Voyaging Society website: <http://www.hokulea.com/voyages/our-story/>
- Visit the Wikipedia website and learn about the history of the Big Wave Invitational In Memory of Eddie Aikau. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Eddie
- Visit the current website of "THE EDDIE" Big Wave Invitational, now managed by the Eddie Aikau Foundation: <https://www.theeddieaikau.com/>

When you write:

- Introduce yourself and your thoughts to the reader. Use an appropriate title that states your point of view to be expressed in the essay.
- Create an original piece of writing that takes the reader from your title, to the introduction, through the body of your essay, and finally to the conclusion, in a clear, concise manner.
- Develop a topic you can focus on which will deliver your ideas to the reader clearly and convincingly.
- Finish your essay well ahead of time so you can take a day or two to read it again for a final review. Read it aloud to yourself or an adult to decide if changes are needed.

Check that you have met all of the contest requirements:

- The essay must be the student's OWN work.
- The essay should have a TITLE that captures the idea of the essay.
- The essay must NOT reveal the Student's Name or School anywhere on, or within the essay.
- The essay should be a MAXIMUM of 1000 words in length.
- The essay must be **typewritten, double-spaced**, and in **12-point font** size.
- Two (2) hard copies of the essay should be submitted when mailed. Or the essay can be emailed as a WORD, or a pdf document. DO NOT SEND THE ESSAY BOTH WAYS.
- **The essay answers the following Prompt:**
- **kūpa'a is the Hawaiian word that means determined & steadfast. To be brave and bold is ho'okoa in Hawaiian. Describe how these values were reflected in the actions & life of Eddie Aikau. Give supporting examples or evidence.**
- **Describe how these values influence you and the actions you take in life. Give supporting examples or evidence.**

Email Essay & Signed Student Application to: eaf5446@gmail.com **OR**

Mail the signed Student Application and **2 hard copies (single sided only)** of the completed Essay to:

The Eddie Aikau Foundation
352 Auwaiolimu Street, Honolulu, HI 96813

Email date or Postmark date Deadline is: **Saturday February 17, 2024**