Aloha Leeward `Ohana! Welcome to all new and returning faculty and staff! We have some very important news to share with you so I hope you take the time to read the information below and share with your colleagues who are not able to join us today.

- **CAMPUS SAFETY** is a responsibility that falls to each and every one of us. No one person or unit can ensure your personal safety. In case of an active threat incident on campus, the **UH ALERT** system is the primary means of communication by which notices will be sent to faculty, staff, and students. You **MUST** sign up to receive emergency messages through the **UH ALERT** system. **PLEASE** sign up for **UH ALERT** at: [https://www.hawaii.edu/alert/](https://www.hawaii.edu/alert/)

- **TITLE IX** is a comprehensive federal law that prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in any federally funded education program or activity” — U.S. Department of Justice. **Who are “Responsible Employees” under Title IX?** Per Act 208 signed into law by Governor Ige on July 5, 2016, “All University of Hawaii faculty members are designated as “responsible employees” under Public Law 92-318, Title IX of the federal Education Amendments of 1972, as amended...” **Who are your Leeward CC Title IX Coordinators:** Mark Lane, Kami Kato (for students), and Lori Lei Hayashi (for employees). Learn more about Title IX at [http://www.hawaii.edu/titleix](http://www.hawaii.edu/titleix)

- **PARKING** on campus is a challenging endeavor in the best of circumstances. Construction projects are moving forward to help alleviate some of the difficulties that we all encountered during the fall semester. So please be prepared, arrive early for work and your classes, consider alternative transportation options, have patience, and most importantly, drive with Aloha! Please check your email for the latest updates and advisories on parking and roadway conditions on/around campus.

- **RAIL PROJECT** construction work continues on the Pearl City campus. Ala Ike has been resurfaced and the overflow parking area makai of Tuthill Courtyard is under construction and will be available for campus use shortly. Kiewit’s work on our campus will come to an end in mid-January and the build-out of the campus’ rail station will be the responsibility of our next contractor, Hawaiian Dredging. The parking lot mauka of the MS building will not be available for campus use during this next phase of rail construction. The rail station construction work is anticipated to take another 12 to 18 months. Construction advisory notices will be sent as needed as periodic disruptions to parking lots, roads, and pedestrian pathways are anticipated.

- **THEATRE** renovation work began during the fall semester and is in progress. We anticipate this project taking another year to be completed. Accommodations have been made in other facilities on campus for drama, music, and dance programming.

- And finally, nothing but good news to report on the **WAIANAE COAST CAMPUS** construction work in Maili. Everything is on schedule to open the Fall 2017 semester in our newly renovated facility.