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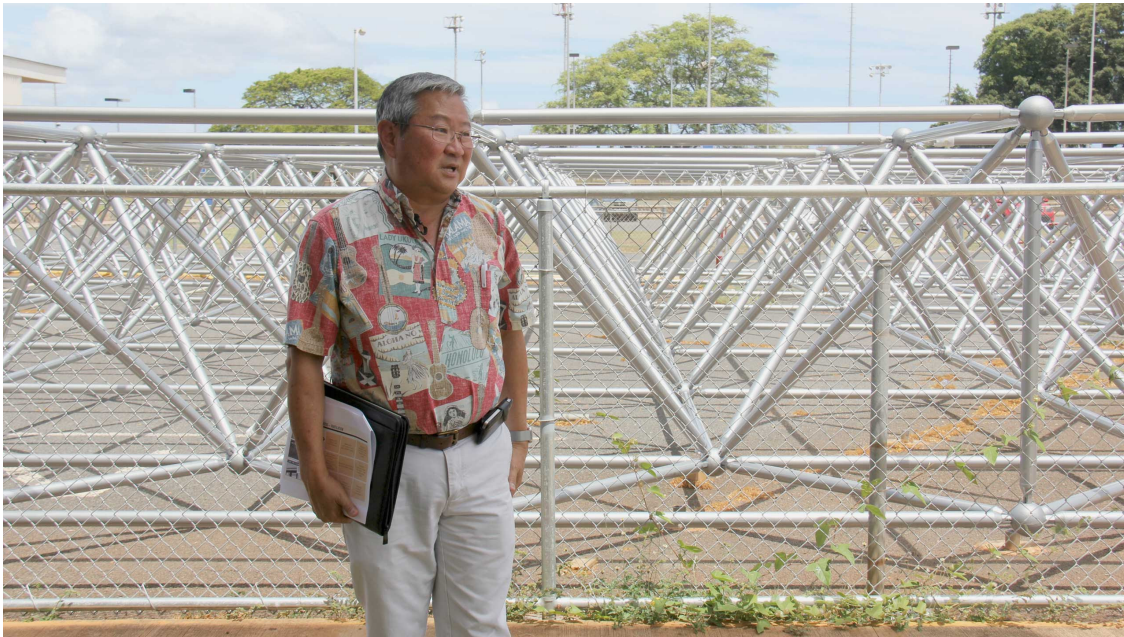
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FROM THE GOVERNOR: LAUNCHING A NEW ERA FOR HAWAII SCHOOLS

It's a new era in many ways for Hawai'i's public schools: a new superintendent, a new four-year teachers' contract and a new school year with cooler classrooms on several islands. This issue focuses on how the governor, the Board of Education (BOE) and our new schools superintendent are working together to improve achievement for all students. ([Read more](#))



DOE ON TRACK TO REACH GOAL OF COOLING 1,000 CLASSROOMS

The Department of Education (DOE) is making good on the governor's promise of cooler schools for this new school year. We expect to have the 1,000 classrooms cooled by the end of August," Governor Ige said. ([Read more](#))



NEW TEACHERS' CONTRACT FOCUSES ON FUTURE; HSTA GIVES GOVERNOR AN 'A'

A new four-year contract overwhelmingly ratified by Hawai'i's 13,500 public school teachers was signed last month by the governor, the teachers' union, and Board of Education members in

ceremonies at the state Capitol. "I'm excited that this contract positions us to focus on the most important things over the next four years," said the governor." ([Read more](#))



FROM THE BOE: MAKING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT A STATEWIDE PRIORITY

If being a new schools superintendent is a tough job, then the next toughest may be serving as chair of the board that hired her. That was First Hawaiian Bank executive vice president Lance Mizumoto's task less than two years into his term at the Board of Education (BOE). Now, as the new school year begins, he and the board are looking forward to welcoming Dr. Kishimoto and providing a successful transition. ([Read more](#))



DR. CHRISTINA KISHIMOTO: HAWAI'I'S NEW SUPERINTENDENT

It's late on a Sunday afternoon, and Dr. Christina Kishimoto is driving to a family gathering. But Hawai'i's new schools superintendent makes time to talk about her childhood in New York, her passion for public education and the promise she sees for the state's school system. ([Read more](#))



NEW KUPUNA CAREGIVERS PROGRAM 'FIRST IN NATION'

Hawai'i became the first state in the nation to establish a Kupuna Caregivers program to help adults who work at least 30 hours a week while also providing family caregiving. The bill aims to ease caregiving costs by paying up to \$70 a day to contracted service providers, based on certain criteria and availability of funds. ([Read more](#))



MAUI COUNTY: HISTORIC CHANGES, HOUSING AND COMMUNITY PRIDE

It was a busy month for Maui County with bill signings, a groundbreaking, a popular community festival and the transition of Maui Memorial Medical Center, Kula Hospital and Lāna'i Community Hospital to Kaiser Permanente's affiliate, Maui Health System. ([Read more](#))

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"In this issue of Capitol Connection, Governor Ige answers questions about the Every Student Succeeds Act, a recap of the July 9 ESSA Summit, and a preview of the International Union for Conservation of Nature World Congress to be held at the Hawai'i Convention Center on Sept. 1-10, 2016 - the first time this international event will be held in the United States.

Here is a link to the August edition of Capitol Connection, Governor Ige's official monthly newsletter.

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