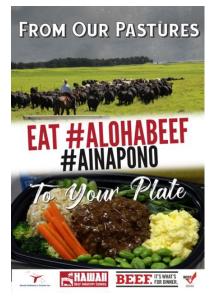


HAWAII FARM TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

HAWAIIAN HARVEST OF THE MONTH BEEF







LOCAL BEEF ON CAFETERIA TRAYS

HIDOE Puts 100% Local Beef on Lunch Trays for HDOA's Hawaiian Harvest of the Month in December

Local beef will be delivered to all 256 HIDOE cafeterias in December with a new **teri-loco-moco** menu item being served in about 100,000 meals! The new School Food Service Branch (SFSB)'s Administrator has committed to increasing healthy fresh food with local ingredients, and the SFSB team has been working hard to develop new local recipes, add flexibility in the menu cycle for schools, and launch innovative procurement methods to connect with local producers across the Hawaiian islands.





DECEMBER

HII-COWS about 76,000 cows graze across the Hawaiian islands



HI-RANCHERS Sustainable āina stewards, manage over 1 Million acres



HI-LEGACY Jeff Melrose's passion for AG, work with ranchers & critical analysis helped bring local beef to HIDOE.

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"I'm going to continue helping my family raise cattle... it's fun to be outside and good to know where your food comes from" - H.S. Student

4-H and Culinary Arts Connect with Cattle

Students across Hawaii are connecting with cattle through the CTE Natural Resources Pathway classes (Agriculture & Culinary Arts), as well as the Hawaii State 4-H Program run through UH Cooperative Extension, and Future Farmers of America (FFA). Through these programs, students have opportunities to "learn by doing" - engaging in hands-on project-based learning with animal husbandry, agricultural entrepreneurship, and personal economics. Students also develop leadership skills with pride in workmanship and



accomplishments, personal interaction with peers, and respect of the environment and our communities. These agricultural programs help Hawaii's youth develop life skills such as leadership, decision-making, and personal coping skills that helps them acquire and use knowledge.

4-H Extension agents across Hawaii connect students to agriculture. Contact Jeff Goodwin, State lead, or <u>your local UH Cooperative Extension Agent</u> for more info.



HAWAII REPRESENTING AT NATIONALS

4H students from Maui and Hawaii Island will be representing Hawaii in the <u>Western National</u> <u>Roundup</u> January 4-7th, in Denver Colorado. After the Hawaii Cattlemen's Conference, Parker Ranch hosted 4H students to practice with Waimea cattle.



