



**Punahou School, Honolulu, HI**  
**Sydney and Minnie Kosasa Community grades 2-5**  
**Architect: Design Partners, Inc., Honolulu, HI**  
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**John Nagel, Admin. Dean, Gr. 2/4, Julie Crane-Cory, Admin. Dean, Gr. 3/5**

Upon arriving on campus and walking up the gentle slope to the 2-5 complex, you become immediately aware that this is a special place. You instantly understand that there has been a deliberate attempt and subsequent success to transform each and every aspect of education inside and out. This is my happy place... the architecture, the pace, the culture, the people. Every facet of this community is extremely well vetted through the design process with the full understanding of the permissions, choice and agility required in the creation of such a place. The leadership, educators and students have taught me so much more than I ever thought possible by elegantly pushing the limits of both pedagogy and space.

In 2018, Punahou School published "Education by Design," an 88-page publication showcasing the transformation of Punahou School's campus during the 25-year tenure of its president Jim Scott. During this period, the school shifted from having mostly functional facilities to creating inspiring, student-centered learning environments. The most recent transformation is no exception. Sydney and Minnie Kosasa Community for grades 2-5 represents Punahou's educational philosophy for the 21st-century. It incorporates the latest research about neurology of learning into an instructional vision based on personalization and flexibility to create learning that is relevant and enduring.

<https://www.punahou.edu/about/campus-and-learning-environments/campus-master-plan>