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# Saint Mark Lutheran School

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**Dr. David Gaudi**  
Head of School

**Learning is a joy on Saint Mark Lutheran School's safe, quiet and surprisingly large tree-lined 2.5-acre campus.** The Pre-K3 to 8 (Pre-K opened in August 2019) school has created a caring "ohana" since its founding in 1956 as part of Saint Mark Lutheran Church's educational ministry.

"Saint Mark has a strong community feel, where every child is known and nurtured to integrate faith with life," says Head of School Dr. David Gaudi. "Many second and third generation families return for our strong academics and safe, loving environment."

## Early Learning Center Serving PK3 & PK4

Saint Mark is excited to have recently opened the Early Learning Center, a new two-story facility to expand its outstanding educational offerings to include high-quality early childhood programs to serve 60 preschoolers. The beautiful facility offers secure 1,000-sq ft classrooms, collaborative learning space, a tech learning center and an outdoor play area.

## Diverse Offerings

Diverse offerings in art, band, choir/music, ukulele, technology and competitive sports teams enhance a rich and rigorous academic curriculum taught by fantastic faculty who make the spiritual, physical, social and emotional growth of their students a priority in developing the "whole child."

"Our teachers are the heart and soul of our efforts to ensure that our graduates learn to think critically to make informed decisions; to practice the importance of respecting oneself, others and property; and

to utilize their talents to glorify God and serve others," says Dr. Gaudi.

## Strong Commitment to Financial Assistance

Saint Mark understands the challenging effects of sustained inflationary increases and has expanded financial aid as part of its ongoing efforts to help families, while increasing accessibility and promoting diversity among its student body. Approximately half of its students receive some form of financial assistance from Saint Mark as well as Kamehameha Schools.

## Students Accepted into High School of Choice

With nearly 70 years of academic excellence, the co-ed school has consistently prepared its graduates to be life-long learners, well-equipped with 21st century skills to transition successfully to the high school of their choice. Recent graduates were accepted into a variety of Hawaii's private schools, including Damien, Hawaii Baptist Academy, 'Iolani, Kamehameha, Le Jardin, Maryknoll, Mid-Pacific, Punahou, Sacred Hearts and Saint Louis.

## Safe to Make Mistakes

"Saint Mark strives to provide a challenging and disciplined learning environment that is fun, exciting and full of God's love. By sharing and living God's loving and saving grace, we hope to create a caring atmosphere where our students are challenged to do their best, yet feel safe to take risks with their learning and curiosity without fear of failure. We want our students to be able to make mistakes knowing that God loves them, we love them, and that failure is not fatal," says Dr. Gaudi.



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