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Electronic Waste Contest prize giveaway held Wednesday

LĪHU'E – The Department of Public Works Solid Waste Division distributed prizes on Wednesday, May 4, to the winners of the county's March Electronic Waste (eWaste) Contest.

Students from all over the island were tasked with turning in eWaste to Resource Recovery Solutions, who operates the Puhi Metals Recycling Facility, through the month of May for a chance to win an assortment of prizes.

This year's prize theme was focused on getting back outside and going on adventures. Many of the prizes were for adventure tours including zip lining, ATV rides, Na Pali boat tours, and horseback riding. Some prizes for the younger students included Fun Factory gift cards and iPads.

"We were overjoyed to offer these special prizes to the students," said Keola Aki, Recycling Programs Coordinator. "We're so excited that our local families get to have new experiences and make special memories together right here on Kaua'i. Mahalo to everyone involved in this fun and educational event."

Mayor Derek S. K. Kawakami also attended the prize giveaway on Wednesday, and congratulated the students for their hard work and care for the environment.

The contest was funded by a State Department of Health grant, awarded to the county to promote eWaste recycling on Kaua'i via the State's eWaste Recycling Law, which mandates that electronic manufacturers provide funding to recycle eWaste in the state.

The Solid Waste Division appreciates all the parents and students that participated in making a difference on Kaua'i by keeping eWaste out of our landfill. The Division would also like to thank the Department of Health for their support as well as the tour agencies that provided free or discounted tour packages for the students.

Electronic waste recycling is available Monday to Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., at the Puhi Metals Recycling Facility located at 3951 Puhi Road.

For questions on eWaste recycling or recycling in general, please call (808) 241-4841.



Back row, from left to right: Tawna Bensaid, Keola Aki, Mayor Kawakami, Shantelle Rego, Allison Fraley, and Daezsa Tomas-Tamagawa.

Front row, from left to right: Courtney Faria (Grade 5, 'Ele'ele Elementary), Azalea Pancho (Grade 3, 'Ele'ele School), Apollo Morgado (Pre-K, Island School), Noah Chong (Grade 2, 'Ele'ele School), Samantha Campbell (Grade 3, Kekaha Elementary), Orion Ishino (Grade 4, Kalāheo Elementary), Malaika Mobley (Grade 2, Kalāheo Elementary), Micah Yamamoto (Grade 1, King Kaumuali'i), Juliette Rosales O'Shaughnessy (Grade 7, Chiefess Kamakahahelei Middle School), and Malie Miyazaki (Grade 8, Chiefess Kamakahahelei Middle School)



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