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July 11. 1855.

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R. Amstrong,

Pres. Board of education.

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hand.

○ Keamehameha IV. ✓✓

Honolulu July 11. 1855.

Recd. Sep. 11.

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Letter Reference:

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Date of Letter:

July 11, 1855

From:

Kamehameha IV [Alexander Liholiho]

To:

R. Armstrong [Richard Armstrong]

Content Summary:

Kamehameha IV informs R. Armstrong that he approves an application for a \$10,000 grant for Oahu College.

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Notes:

1. *Board of Education* - The Board of Education was established on October 15, 1840 by Kauikeaouli, Kamehameha III.
2. *Oahu College* - In 1853, a new and enlarged charter was applied for and granted by the government to the Trustees of Punahou School. This granted the formation of O'ahu College, which would offer two years of advanced coursework and delay students departure for U.S. colleges. Punahou School was known as O'ahu College from 1853 to 1934.
3. *R. Armstrong* - Richard Armstrong arrived in Hawai'i with the 5th company of missionaries on May 17, 1832, and was assigned to work on Maui. In 1847 he was appointed as Minister of Public Instruction by Kamehameha III and in 1855 was the President of the Board of Education.
4. *Kamehameha IV* - Alexander Liholiho, Kamehameha IV, was the 4th sovereign ruler of Hawai'i and ruled from January, 1855 - November, 1863.