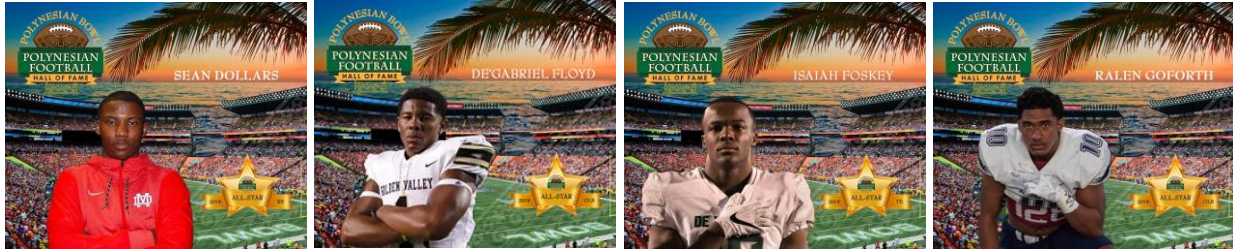




NEW COMMITMENTS ANNOUNCED FOR 2019 POLYNESIAN BOWL

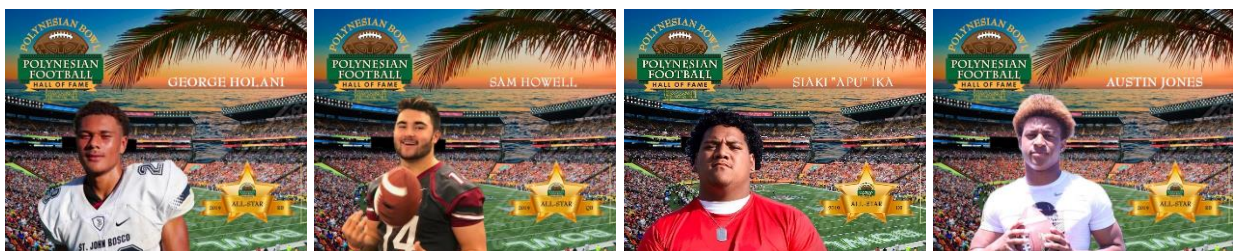
16 New All-Stars Named

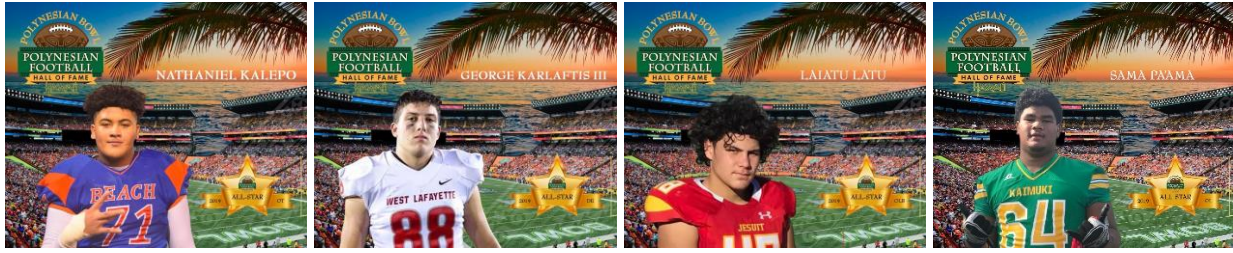


Honolulu, HI (February 15, 2018) – The **Polynesian Bowl** announced today its newest commitments for the 2019 Polynesian Bowl. The game will be held Saturday, January 19 at Aloha Stadium on O`ahu, Hawai`i as part of the 2019 **Polynesian Football Hall of Fame** Enshrinement Week.

Sixteen additional players have been named as 2019 Polynesian Bowl All-Stars (*ranking based on highest star-rating from the three major media recruiting services*):

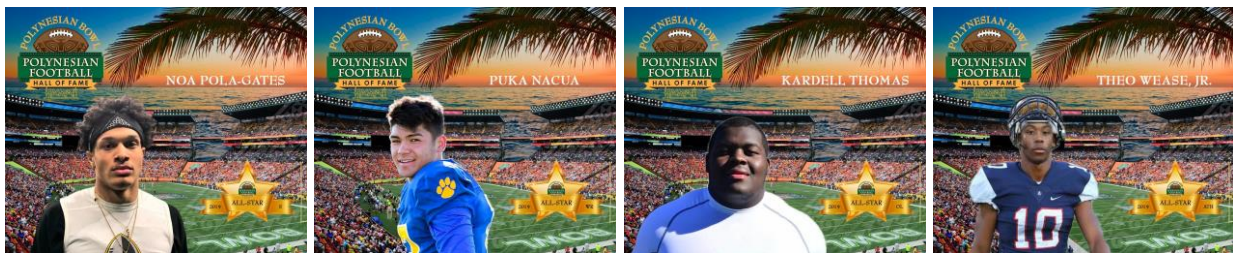
- 5★ **Kardell Thomas**, OG; Southern University Lab School, LA
- 5★ **Theo Wease**, WR; Allen, TX
- 4★ **Sean Dollars**, RB; Mater Dei, CA
- 4★ **Isaiah Foskey**, TE; De La Salle, CA
- 4★ **Noa Pola-Gates**, S; Williams Field, AZ; *Samoan ancestry*
- 4★ **Ralen Goforth**, OLB; St. John Bosco, CA; *Samoan ancestry*
- 4★ **George Holani**, RB; St. John Bosco, CA; *Tongan ancestry*
- 4★ **Sam Howell**, QB; Sun Valley, NC
- 4★ **De'Gabriel Floyd**, OLB; Westlake, CA
- 4★ **Siaki "Apu" Ika**, DT; East, UT; *Tongan ancestry*
- 4★ **Austin Jones**, RB; Bishop O'Dowd, CA
- 4★ **George Karlaftis**, DE; West Lafayette, IN
- 4★ **Laiatu Latu**, OLB; Jesuit, CA; *Tongan ancestry*
- 4★ **Puka Nacua**, WR; Orem, UT; *Samoan ancestry*
- 4★ **Nathaniel Kalepo**, OT; Rainier Beach, WA; *Samoan ancestry*
- 4★ **Sama Pa'ama**, OL/DL; Kaimuki, HI; *Samoan ancestry*





“We are proud to announce and welcome our newest commitments,” said 4-time Super Bowl Champion, Chairman & Co-Founder **Jesse Sapolu**. “The best high school football players in the world will be in Hawai`i at the 2019 Polynesian Bowl.”

Only 100 high school seniors will make the final roster, of which a majority will be of Polynesian ancestry. To date, 40 Polynesian Bowl All-Stars have been selected for 2019. Additional players will be announced in the coming months.



About the Polynesian Bowl: Organized by the Polynesian Football Hall of Fame, the Polynesian Bowl is a premier high school all-star game that features the world's best football players of Polynesian ancestry and other heritages. The game is played annually in January at Aloha Stadium on O`ahu, Hawai`i. Bowl Ambassadors include Tennessee Titans QB Marcus Mariota, Pittsburgh Steelers WR Juju Smith-Schuster, Seattle Seahawks DE Michael Bennett, Baltimore Ravens OT Ronnie Stanley, Cleveland Browns NT Danny Shelton and San Francisco 49ers DL DeForest Buckner. For more information, visit www.PolynesianBowl.com.

About the Polynesian Football Hall of Fame: The Polynesian Football Hall of Fame honors Polynesia’s greatest players, coaches and contributors. It also serves as a resource for Polynesian football history and provides scholarships for Polynesian youth. Its permanent home is located at the Polynesian Cultural Center (O`ahu’s North Shore) and was established in 2013 by Super Bowl Champions Jesse Sapolu and Ma’a Tanuvasa. Other board members include Troy Polamalu, Vai Sikahema, June Jones and Reno Mahe. For more information, visit www.PolynesianFootballHOF.org.

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