

Date of Hearing: February 1, 2008

Committee: House Education

Department: Education

Person Testifying: Patricia Hamamoto, Superintendent

Title: H.B. 2971, Relating to Education

Purpose: Directs department of education to implement recommendations of the online learning task force.

Department's Position: The Department strongly supports this bill and requests the Legislature's support in accepting the online task force's recommendation to initially fund \$1.5 million annually over the three years of expansion. Providing \$4.5 million implementation funding over three years creates the necessary momentum to develop a sustainable growth model.

Online learning is the strategic vehicle that makes possible the transformation of the Department of Education into a 21st Century learning institution. It provides a flexible, alternative environment for our students. It is the catalyst for the delivery of education and training throughout the P-20 landscape, as well as workforce development for Hawaii. Adequate funding necessary for thoughtful, systematic implementation of learning structures involving many stakeholders will be crucial to realizing the possible future of Hawaii. Please reference attached "Phased Implementation Plan for Secondary Students".



Phased Implementation Plan for Secondary Students

Teacher-Mediated Courses	SY 2007-2008	SY 2008-2009	SY 2009-2010	SY 2010-2011
State Public Charter Virtual School (Gr. K-20)	Myron B. Thompson Secondary 3000*	Myron B. Thompson Secondary 3200*	Myron B. Thompson Secondary 3600*	Myron B. Thompson Secondary 5400*
State Virtual Supplemental Program (Gr. K-20)	E-School Secondary 500*	Hawaii Virtual Learning Network (HVLN) Secondary 1,800* cross enrolled in eSIS	HVLN Secondary 3600*	HVLN Secondary 5400*
State Distance Learning Supplemental Program (Gr. K-20)	Teleschool Secondary 50* Elementary & Middle Kid Physics (5000)	Create Hawaii Virtual Learning Network (HVLN) Secondary 50* Elementary & Middle Kid Physics (6000)	HVLN Secondary 50* Elementary & Middle Kid Physics (7000)	HVLN Secondary 50* Elementary & Middle Kid Physics (7000)
Self -Paced Credit Courses	SY 2007-2008	SY 2008-2009	SY 2009-2010	SY 2010-2011
Commercial Provider (Gr. K-20)	Examples of Commerical Providers are Hippo Campus; NovaNet, Connections Academy and etc. Courses are not HCPs III-based. TBD**	HVLN Reviews Commerical Providers cross enrolled iin eSIS. Data becomes available. TBD**	HVLN Brokers Commercial Providers TBD**	HVLN Brokers Additional Commercial Providers TBD**
TOTAL Enrollment	3,650	6,250	8,650	12,850



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Enrollment by Credit Courses	SY 2007-2008	SY 2008-2009	SY 2009-2010	SY 2010-2011
Personal Transition Plan (PTP) Graduation Credit	Development of course to meet need for current 9 th and 10 th graders.	900	2000	3000
Credit Recovery	500	500	1000	1500
Acceleration (AP/IB etc.)	250	300	400	500
Homeless/Dropouts	Data available in eSIS.	100	200	400
HVLN Total Enrollment		1800	3600	5400
Type of Courses	SY 2007-2008	SY 2008-2009	SY 2009-2010	SY 2010-2011
Test Preparation	Create access to online PSAT; SAT; ACT; GED etc.	Prepare and increase student access to rigorous curricula (AP/IB etc.) with a systematic approach for students and teachers i.e. AVID with existing HDOE programs. 10 secondary and community schools	20 secondary and community schools	40 secondary and community schools
Student Preparation	Kid Physics etc. Notetaking, Research, Study Skills, Personal Plan, Transition etc.			
Remediation	Review NAACOL Survey data for student needs.			
Enrichment				
Student Support	SY 2007-2008	SY 2008-2009	SY 2009-2010	SY 2010-2011
Student Support	Teacher-Led credit courses in Myron B. Thompson Academy, E-School and Teleschool. Each have a highly qualified teacher as their support. Commercial vendor student support varies.	1. School Site Coordinator orientation and training. 2. F2F Mandatory Student Orientation. 3. HVLN Virtual Help Desk established. 4. eSIS student online data available.	No. 1 to No. 3 continues HVLN Virtual Help Desk Online Support with extended hours.	Orientation and Training for Online Mentoring for Teachers; Tutors and Peers

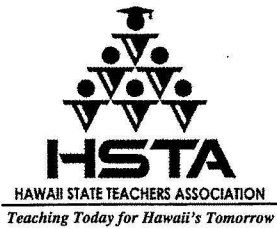


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Online Teacher Count	SY 2007-2008	SY 2008-2009	SY 2009-2010	SY 2010-2011
Ongoing Professional Development to offer online courses to teachers and to develop online teachers	Project Inspire Online Professional Development -350 teachers trained Connect 2008! Training Online Teachers – A Joint UH /E- School to. 50 Teachers	Project Inspire- 350 teachers Connect 2009! – A Joint UH /E- School 100 additional teachers	Project Inspire – 350 teachers Connect 2010! – A Joint UH /E- School 100 additional teachers	Project Inspire – 350 teachers Connect 2011! – A Joint UH /E- School 100 additional teachers
Cost @ Student	SY 2007-2008	SY 2008-2009	SY 2009-2010	SY 2010-2011
State Public Charter Virtual School (Gr. K-12)	FTE Student Count Funding	FTE Student Count Funding	FTE Student Count Funding	FTE Student Count Funding
State Virtual Supplemental Program (Gr K-20)	No cost to student. Summer school tuition is charged for summer session.	\$350	\$385	\$420
State Distance Learning Supplemental Program (Gr. K-20)	No cost to student. Funding Model developed by Online Task Force	HVLN Consortium members 10 Secondary schools. Funding Model policies and regulations assessed and revised as necessary.	Increase members in HVLN Consortium 20 Secondary Schools. Self-sustaining funding model approved.	Increase members in HVLN Consortium 40 Secondary Schools. Implement HVLN self-sustaining model.
Commercial Provider (Gr. K-20)	Cost range from \$350 to \$450 each .5 course.	Cost range from \$350 to \$550 each .5 course.	Cost range from \$350 to \$650 each .5 course.	Cost range from \$350 to \$750 each .5 course.

*Student Enrollment Count is based on students taking .5 credit @ semester. Currently for supplemental programs, students are limited to maximum of 2 courses @ semester.



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**ROGER TAKABAYASHI, PRESIDENT
HAWAII STATE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION**

Chair Takumi and Members of the Committee:

The Hawaii State Teachers Association supports HB 2971.

As we move into the twenty-first century, technology is playing an increasingly larger role in learning and education. The Online Learning Task Force, established by Act 275 in the 2007 Legislative Session, has provided the Department of Education (DOE) a plan to expand the online learning opportunities for our students. This bill directs the DOE to adopt and implement the recommendations and strategic goals contained in the plan. These recommendations and strategic goals support the goals set forth in HSTA's *Every Child Succeeds* document.

We urge the committee to pass this bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.