



Summary

- Experienced Leader in the field of Education
- Innovative Instructor in addressing the individual learning needs of students
- Skilled Presenter/Trainer for Association programs/conferences
- Committed Activist for ensuring Quality Public Education for All Students

Education

MEd in Middle Level Education [REDACTED]
University of Hawaii at Manōa, Honolulu, Hawaii

Bachelor of Science in Education [REDACTED]
Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa
 Emphasis is English

Career History & Accomplishments

State Vice President, Hawaii State Teachers Association (HSTA) [REDACTED]

- Worked directly with State President to address the needs of Hawaii’s Public School teachers and students [REDACTED]
- Served as a member of the negotiating team.
- Met with members, teacher leaders, and community groups to facilitate support for public education and public school educators.

Examiner, National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education/ Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (NCATE/CAEP) [REDACTED] - present

- Serves as a member of accreditation teams for Teacher Education programs throughout the United States.
- Analyzes data to determine college program’s level of meeting standards.
- Conducts interviews & confers with team members to identify program strengths.

State Secretary Treasurer, Hawaii State Teachers’ Association (HSTA) [REDACTED]

- Redesigned budget to better provide for quality experiences at every level of the organization.
- Worked with various organization stakeholders to identify ways that HSTA may best maximize dues dollars and provide relevant services to members.
- Managed, in conjunction with CFO, assets and investments in a manner that was both transparent and able to earn a “clean” rating from auditors.

Academy Lead/English Teacher, Ho’ōla Leadership Academy, Kapolei H.S. [REDACTED] - present

- Established 9-12 program for students who have been identified as under resourced in one or more success indicators.
- Advocates for funding, staff support, and curriculum development that fully addresses both the challenges and skills demonstrated by academy students.
- Develops interdisciplinary, culturally sound, standards based courses of study that have improved promotion and graduation rates for academy students.

Trainer, Hawaii State Teachers’ Association/Ruby Payne [REDACTED] - present

- Provides training to teachers and community members on the following topics that may impact on the student/teacher relationship & student success: poverty, local culture, traits of adolescents, learning styles, Moena Ha (based on McCarthy’s 4 MAT work), working with parents.
- Designed, developed and delivered coursework in the above listed areas that met the Hawaii Department of Education standards for professional development credit.
- Works with Uni-Serv Staff and Chapter Leaders to deliver services as needed.

English Language Department Head, Kapolei High School

- Leads department in transition from Hawaii State Standards to Common Core.
- Serves as information conduit between school administration and department.
- Supports individual department members as needed.

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English Teacher, Human Services Academy, Kapolei High School

- Developed Human Services Academy concepts, philosophy & program of study.
- Established student internships with community schools, businesses, & programs.
- Facilitated community outreach in the field of education with local community college, pre-school advocates and The Hawaii Alliance for Future Teachers.

English Teacher, Kapolei High School

- Coordinated academic program of study inclusive of English and other content areas.
- Assisted in the development of the Kapolei Video Awards program for students within the academy.
- Supported Vocational Industrial Clubs of America student candidates throughout the year in preparation of spring/summer competitions.

Member, NEA Advisory Committee on Membership/Higher Education Committee

- Researched various membership options and identified greatest needs for NEA's diverse membership constituencies in order to make membership categories and dues levels recommendations to the NEA Representative Assembly.
- Assisted in the planning and hosting of the yearly Higher Education Conferences.
- Participated in thoughtful discussions led by direction of the NEA Vice-President regarding the future of NEA and its Affiliates.

Chapter President, Hawaii State Teachers' Association Leeward Chapter

- Represented the state's largest chapter at the state and national level.
- Reformatted chapter structure to better engage school level leadership.
- Established induction and support program for chapter new hires.

Foster Parent, Hale Kipa Independent Living Training Apartments

- Provided guided supervision for young men & women ages 16-21.
- Advised and counseled residents on skills/behaviors needed to transition from "institutional living" to "independent living".
- Worked with residents in developing success plans for post-program living.

Middle Level Social Studies Teacher, Nanakuli High and Intermediate School

- Taught 7th-8th grade students as part of a cohesive grade level team.
- Piloted the State of Hawai'i Department of Education Special Education Inclusion program and participated in the statewide rollout as part of an inclusion team.
- Planned and implemented Middle School concepts and curriculum to better address needs of incoming 7th grade students to a 7-12 school campus.

Kapolei Outstanding Achievement in Education Awardee

In recognition of work surrounding support of teachers during their first 5 years of teaching

NEA Foundation Hawaii Awardee

California Casualty Award for Teaching Excellence Honoree

Pearson Foundation Global Learning Fellow

Memberships & Affiliations

- Trustee, Hawaii Education Association
- Trust Chairperson, Hawaii State Teachers' Association Voluntary Employee Benefits Association
- Board Member, Education Institute of Hawai'i