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TRANSITION CENTERS BEST PRACTICES CONFERENCE

2023

Wednesday, March 29, 2023 8:00am - 12:15pm Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii

An in-person and virtual conference.



K. MARK TAKAI FOUNDATION

Complex area or school teams of administrators, teachers, support staff, students and community partners are invited to attend this free conference.

Share promising practices and explore resources as a community of support for schools interested in creating, enhancing, and sustaining transition centers that support newly enrolled students by providing a stable foundation that promotes academic achievement.

This conference is sponsored by the Hawaii Business Roundtable, K. Mark Takai Foundation, and the Hawaii Department of Education.

PROGRAM

8:00 AM - 8:45 AM	Registration, Breakfast and Resource Table Fair (Foyer)
8:45 AM - 8:50 AM	Welcome/Introduction of Special Guests (Main Ballroom) Mr. Gary Kai Hawaii Business Roundtable
8:50 AM - 9:00 AM	Deputy Superintendent Curt T. Otaguro Hawaii Department of Education
9:00 AM - 9:10 AM	Colonel Angenene L. Robertson, U.S. Air Force U.S Indo-Pacific Command
9:10 AM - 9:15 AM	Ms. Sami Takai K. Mark Takai Foundation
9:15 AM - 9:20 AM	Agenda Ms. Cherry Okahara, Military Liaison Hawaii Department of Education
9:20 AM - 9:25 AM	Break
9:25 AM - 10:10 AM	School Panel (Main Ballroom)
10:10 AM - 10:40 AM	Resource Table Fair (Foyer)
10:40 AM - 11:25 AM	Breakout Session 1 Aliamanu Middle School Presentation (Ewa Room) Starting and Maintaining the Journey Panel (Diamond Head Room)
11:25 AM - 12:10 PM	Breakout Session 2 Breaking the Ice (Main Ballroom) Interstate Compact Training (Ewa Room)
12:15 PM	Lunch/Conference Ends

12:1

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

School Panel

Engage with our School Administrators, Transition Center Coordinators, Student Ambassadors from Admiral Arthur W. Radford High School, Leilehua High School, Kalaheo High School and James Campbell High School on how they successfully run their Transition Center Programs as well as tips on engaging students.

Starting and Maintaining the Journey Panel

Participate in a collaborative discussion and hear from Transition Center Coordinators and an Administrator as they share the challenges and successes on how to build and sustain a Transition Center Program.

Aliamanu Middle School

The Aliamanu Middle School Transition Center is an orientation program designed to support our new students in their acclimation process to AMS. The Transition Center is a student led program by our fabulous Panther Academy students. They provide a guided tour of the campus as well as three lunch lessons covering all things AMS, Hawaii and the Anchored 4 Life program. From meeting friends to group activities and help finding answers to questions, we aim to foster feeling of comfort and belonging as our doors are always open to our students, new and returning.

Breaking the Ice

This session will help bring new and fun ideas into your Transition Centers! Gain hands-on experience with ice breakers/activities using beach balls and rubber ducks. Share skills, discuss common issues, and collaborate on ideas to help your center succeed!

Interstate Compact Training

The purpose of the Compact is to remove barriers to educational success imposed on children of military families because of frequent moves and deployment of their parents. In June 2009, the state of Hawaii adopted Hawaii Revised Statutes, Chapter 311D, Section 1-3. This legislation allowed Hawaii to become a member of the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children. The Compact regulations apply to all Hawaii public schools. This training provides participants with a brief history of how the Compact began followed by an overview of the provisions afforded to military-connected children in relation to their education.