Hawaii Charter Schools

- Public schools
- Hawaii Common Core standards
- State Assessments
- BOE graduation requirements
How are Hawaii charter schools different from DOE schools?

Flexibility with:
- Curriculum
- Instructional approach
- Facilities management
- Length of school day, week, year
What is a charter school authorizer?

- Entity that holds a contract with charter schools
- Approve/deny charter school applications
- Set expectations and monitor school performance
State Public Charter School Commission

- Statewide chartering jurisdiction and authority
- Currently only authorizer in the State
- Mission of the Commission shall be to authorize high quality public charter schools throughout the State (Section 302D-3 (b), HRS)
## Differences in charter schooling

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<td>All charter schools are <strong>state agencies</strong></td>
<td>Charter schools may be non-profits</td>
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<td>Must follow collective bargaining agreements and salary schedules</td>
<td>Ability to determine staff compensation arbitrarily</td>
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What is a State agency?

- Subject to State Ethics Code
- Employee benefits: paid by the state
- Collective Bargaining – HGEA, HSTA. UPW
- Attorney General services
- Risk Management
- Funded by the Legislature
Who can start a charter school in Hawaii?

- Community group
- Group of teachers
- Group of teachers and administrators
- DOE School (conversion applicants only)
- School community council (conversion applicants only)
- Non-profit organization
2018 RFP Important Dates

- Intent to Apply Packet - Monday, March 19, 2018 12:00 Noon, HST
- Applicants notified of eligibility – Wednesday, March 21, 2018
- Applications due – Friday, May 11, 2018 12:00 Noon, HST
Mandatory RFP Orientation

Friday, March 16, 2018
1:00 PM to 4:00 PM
Leiopapa A Kamehameha, State Office Tower
Room 203