



Hawaii Partnership for Educational Research Consortium

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Aloha!

We're here to share...

- Information about the **Hawaii Partnership for Educational Research Consortium (HPERC)** and its related activities
- **Lessons learned** by the Hawaii State Department of Education (HIDOE)

The main goal of
HPERC is to **foster
collaboration.**



Collaboration

A Guiding Principle

Collaboration: A Guiding Principle

HPERC activities are intended to encourage and facilitate collaboration at several different levels:

- **Amongst** key education institutions and educational research organizations in Hawaii
- **Between** education and research organizations and individual educational researchers in Hawaii
- **Within** education institutions and research organizations in Hawaii

Involvement in HPERC
has resulted in a
number of **benefits**
for HIDEOE.



Collaboration

The HIDEOE Perspective

Collaboration: The HIDEOE Perspective

HPERC has helped HIDEOE to:

- Develop a **foundation of trust** with both external and internal stakeholders
- Facilitate **interaction and communication** with researchers
- Better understand **the researcher perspective**
- **Improve the processes** by which researchers request to conduct research within HIDEOE and to obtain HIDEOE data
- Obtain **assistance with research needs**

HPERC has enabled
HIDOE to **coordinate
its efforts** with the
local educational
research community.



Collaboration

Amongst Education
Institutions and Research
Organizations



HPERC & Education Institutions and Research Organizations

- The Consortium
 - Participating organizations
 - Governance
 - Processes and protocols
- Partnership with the Regional Educational Laboratory (REL) Pacific
 - HPERC: A REL research alliance
 - Assistance with research needs

Lessons Learned

- The Consortium
 - Key: Recruit **passionate partners** who will actively support your mission and activities – this will give the group its own **momentum**
 - Stay true to your **guiding principle** and avoid “mission drift”
 - Develop **flexible** governing documents
- Partnership with the REL
 - Utilize **existing resources**

HPERC has enabled
HIDOE to **reach out** to
and **connect** with
researchers.



Collaboration

Between Education &
Research Organizations
and Individual Researchers

HPERC & Individual Researchers

- Annual HPERC Research Symposium
- Trainings, presentations, and technical assistance
- Priority research topics
- Collaborative research projects
- HPERC Preferred Researcher Database

Lessons Learned

- Annual HPERC Research Symposium
 - No opportunities for researchers and public schools to **learn about each other's research needs and interests**
 - *Myth: **Researchers aren't interested*** in conducting research that meets HIDOE's needs
 - *Myth:* HIDOE research and data request review processes are designed to **prevent researchers from getting access** to schools and student data

Lessons Learned

- Trainings, presentations, and technical assistance
- Communicate with as many stakeholders as possible and **listen for misunderstandings and questions** to identify needs
- Make it known that you are **available** to provide assistance and requests will follow

Lessons Learned

- Priority research topics
 - Survey all stakeholder groups – **priorities can vary greatly**
 - Develop a process that identifies common priorities, but also allows for the **inclusion of individual member organization priorities**

Lessons Learned

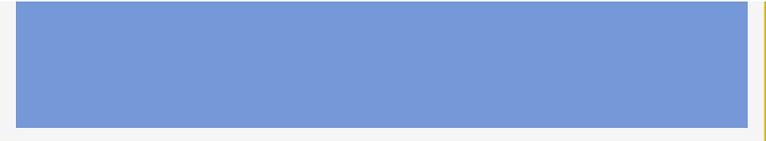
- Collaborative research projects
 - Requires more than an idea and interest – **active facilitation and trust** are needed
- HPERC Preferred Researcher Database
 - Challenge: **Creating value** for both HPERC and researchers

HPERC has enabled
HIDOE to **improve
coordination and
communication** both
internally and
externally.



Collaboration

Within Individual Education
Institutions and Research
Organizations



HPERC & HIDOE: Research and Data Request Processes

- Online Application to Conduct Research
 - Research application database and reports
- Preliminary External Data Request Form
 - For documentation and routing purposes

Lessons Learned

- Create **coordinated and streamlined** system-wide processes
- Develop processes and tools **collaboratively and transparently** so that there is shared ownership and enhanced communication
- Ensure that processes **meet the needs and expectations** of both internal reviewers and external requestors

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