

A Promise to Children

We are the stewards and navigators of Hawai'i's educational community. We believe that the betterment of humanity is inherently possible, and we believe our schools, collectively, from early childhood education through advanced graduate studies, are a powerful force for good.

We support the educational mission of the Worldwide Voyage of Hōkūle'a and Hikianalia, knowing wholeheartedly the urgency we face in preparing our children to live, thrive, and lead our changing world toward goodness. This is the voyage of our lifetimes, and we are steadfast in our commitment to achieve a profound transformation in education.

We will transform our schools, empower youthful voices, and accept the responsibility of Mālama Honua. We believe that by inspiring children to explore, discover and learn about Island Earth, they will navigate the future of humanity toward vitality, renewal, and compassion.

Today, with images of the Mālama Hawai'i voyage fresh in our minds and strong in our spirits, we promise to create, sustain, and navigate a movement dedicated to future generations, one that is imbued with the goodness of Hōkūle'a and the wisdom born of her legacy.

Over the next 48 months, the Worldwide Voyage will sail 49,000 nautical miles, touch the shores of 26 countries, and make safe harbor in 85 ports, while sharing Hawai'i's gift of caring and kindness with the world.

And thus, we the undersigned will participate in the Worldwide Voyage through our classrooms and educational advocacy, providing winds in the sails of Hōkūle'a and Hikianalia as they circumnavigate Island Earth.

The strength of our commitment is demonstrated in this partnership, unprecedented in Hawai'i's history. We are strengthened with the knowledge that by working together, we can and will reach our shared destination – a world worthy of our children.

We will teach and learn together and hope others will be inspired to join us.