Ka ‘Ahahui Ho’ona’auao Hawai‘i -
The Native Hawaiian Education Council

I lāhui na‘auao Hawai‘i pono, i lāhui Hawai‘i pono na‘auo—
There will be a culturally enlightened Hawaiian nation, there will be a Hawaiian nation enlightened.
The Native Hawaiian Education Council (NHEC) was established by Congress in 1994 and reauthorized as part of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. An additional component implemented under the Native Hawaiian Education Act established the Native Hawaiian Education Council and island council subsidiaries to coordinate, assess and make recommendations for the improvement of educational services and programs for Native Hawaiians. The 21-member statewide council consists of volunteers from Hawaiian organizations, educational institutions, community representatives and organizations, including seven Native Hawaiian Education Island Councils (NHEIC).

Ka Haka ‘Ula O Ke‘elikolani -
College of Hawaiian Language

‘O ka ‘ōlelo ke ka‘ā o ka mauli—Language is the fiber that binds us to our cultural identity.
The UH Hilo College of Hawaiian Language, Ka Haka ‘Ula O Ke‘elikolani, was established in 1997 by the Hawai‘i state legislature. The primary focus of the college is the provision, support and modeling of a full infant-to-doctoral system of high quality education taught through the Hawaiian language for Native Hawaiians with outreach to other indigenous peoples worldwide. With ‘Aha Pūnana Leo, the college’s consortium partner named in its founding legislation, Ka Haka ‘Ula O Ke‘elikolani is the primary provider of Hawaiian language medium curriculum, videography, computer technology and teacher education in Hawai‘i.

Kamehameha Schools

Kamehameha Schools is a private educational charitable trust founded and endowed by the legacy of Ke‘Ali‘i Bernice Pauahi Bishop, great granddaughter of Kamehameha I. Kamehameha Schools’ mission is to fulfill Pauahi’s desire to create educational opportunities in perpetuity to improve the capability and wellbeing of people of Hawaiian ancestry. Kamehameha Schools operates a statewide educational system at three K-12 campuses on O‘ahu, Maui and Hawai‘i Island and 31 preschool sites statewide. In addition to the campuses, its extensive community and public school programs service over 37,500 Hawaiian learners.

Office of Hawaiian Affairs

Ho’oulu Lāhui Aloha—To Raise a Beloved Nation.
The mission of OHA is “to mālama Hawai‘i’s people and environmental resources, and OHA’s assets, toward ensuring the perpetuation of the culture, the enhancement of lifestyle and the protection of entitlements of Native Hawaiians, while enabling the building of a strong and healthy Hawaiian people and nation, recognized nationally and internationally.” Through this mission, OHA strives to Ho’oulu Lāhui Aloha, Raise a Beloved Nation.

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The first edition of the Nā Honua Mauli Ola Culturally Healthy and Responsive Learning Environments was published in 2002 as a set of sixteen Hawaiian cultural guidelines with support strategies to assist — learners, educators, families, schools and institutions, and communities — with a way to examine and attend to the educational and cultural well-being of all its learners.

The second edition takes the journey to the next step by framing nine cultural pathways or nā ala ‘ike as an educational framework that fosters culturally healthy and responsive places of learning and living. The project brought together a broad spectrum of expertise that included kupuna, teachers, administrators, teacher education, curriculum and program development specialists, educational policy advocates and research from multiple educational settings serving Native Hawaiian learners.

The foundational wisdom described in the nine cultural pathways is based on a broad collection of rich Hawaiian heritage and cultural experience. The cultural pathways describe and honor the ancestral wisdom that is in practice throughout much of Hawai‘i today. Nā ala ‘ike is a framework for developing a comprehensive support system which promotes community and student-centered learning environments. They support experiences that foster and shape the development of learners to become responsible, capable, caring, healthy human beings in spiritual, intellectual, emotional, physical, and social ways. As a result, students will be able to better reach their full potential with a strong cultural identity and sense of place.

Nā ala ‘ike supports culturally relevant approaches that also embrace learning through the Hawaiian language, culture, history, and tradition. The cultural pathways support state mandates that recognize Hawaiian as an official language of public education and foster efforts that revitalize the Hawaiian language and culture. This resource can be used in many educational settings, and will contribute greatly to the diversity of curriculum and teacher training and to the enrichment of schools, programs and cultural learning environments.

Nā Ala ‘Ike ✴ The Cultural Pathways

‘Ike Pilina ✴ Relationship Pathway
We envision generations that have respectful, responsible and strong relationships in service to akua, ‘āina and each other.

‘Ike ‘Ōlelo ✴ Language Pathway
We envision generations of literate and eloquent Hawaiian language speakers.

‘Ike Mauli Lāhui ✴ Cultural Identity Pathway
We envision generations who walk into the future with confidence in their cultural identity and a commitment of service to akua, ‘āina, and each other.

‘Ike Ola Pono ✴ Wellness Pathway
We envision generations who lead vibrant, healthy and happy lives as contributors to family and community.

‘Ike Piko‘u ✴ Personal Connection Pathway
We envision generations whose actions reflect personal identity that is kūpono.

‘Ike Na‘auao ✴ Intellectual Pathway
We envision generations fostering the cycle of joyous learning through curiosity, inquiry, experience and mentorship.

‘Ike Ho‘okō ✴ Applied Achievement Pathway
We envision generations who demonstrate academic, social and cultural excellence that supports families, communities and future generations.

‘Ike Honua ✴ Sense of Place Pathway
We envision generations who accept kuleana for our honua.

‘Ike Kuana‘ike ✴ Worldview Pathway
We envision generations who flourish and inspire local and global communities through a culturally Hawaiian perspective that honors all things—past, present and future.
1. 'Ike Pilina

We envision generations that have respectful, responsible and strong relationships in service to akua, 'āina and each other.

Nurturing and responsible relationships that connect us to akua, 'āina and each other through the sharing of history, genealogy, language and culture.

Relationship Pathway  'Ike Pilina

2. 'Ike 'Olelo

We envision generations who walk into the future with confidence in their cultural identity and a commitment of service to akua, 'āina, and each other.

Perpetuating Native Hawaiian cultural identity through practices that strengthen knowledge of language, culture and genealogical connections to akua, 'āina and kanaka.

Cultural Identity Pathway  'Ike Mauli Lāhui

3. 'Ike Ola Pono

We envision generations who lead vibrant, healthy and happy lives as contributors to family and community.

Caring for the wellbeing of the spirit, naʻau and body through culturally respectful ways that strengthen one’s maoli and build responsibility for healthy lifestyles.

Wellness Pathway  'Ike Ola Pono

4. 'Ike Naʻauao

We envision generations who foster the cycle of joyful mentorship.

Fostering lifelong learning, curiosity and inquiry to nurture the innate desire to share knowledge and wisdom with others.

Intellectual Pathway  'Ike Naʻauao

5. 'Ike Pikoʻu

We envision generations who demonstrate academic, social and cultural excellence that supports families, communities and future generations.

Helping generations attain academic, social and cultural excellence through a supportive environment of high expectations.

Applied Achievement Pathway  'Ike Pikoʻu

6. 'Ike 'Ike Honua

We envision generations who accept kuleana for our homua.

Demonstrating a strong sense of place, including a commitment to preserve the delicate balance of life and protect it for generations to come.

Sense of Place Pathway  'Ike 'Ike Honua

7. 'Ike Kuanaʻike

We envision generations who flourish and inspire local and global communities through a culturally Hawaiian perspective that honors all things—past, present and future.

Providing a solid grounding in a Hawaiian worldview that promotes contributions to local and global communities.