

CSforHI Coalition
Honolulu, HI

December 6, 2018

Hawaii Board of Education
1390 Miller St, Rm 404
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Board of Education,

Thank you for holding this special board meeting for *Hour of Code*. The CSforHI coalition would like to commend the Board's willingness to be part of this historic Hour of Code event, joining with Computer Science Week activities happening across the state and country.

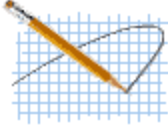
CSforHI is a new coalition that facilitates partnerships between the K-12, higher education, and industry sectors to promote a thriving, equitable, and locally-grounded ecosystem for computer science in Hawaii. Our vision is that Hawaii becomes an emerging global leader in computer science, fueled by a sustainable local pipeline of talent developed in and out of schools, with thriving innovative local businesses, and investment by national and global companies. Due to our state's unique value-add of cultural values, diversity, and geographic position, the growth in computer science in our educational landscape will help shape a new foundation for Hawaii.

Mahalo for this opportunity to partner,

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Subject Computer Science Week Testimony

To: Board of Education
From: L. Elento, parent
12/06/2018

Please send a computer that is not ten years old to the classroom, and AT (assistive technology) training and support for Proloquo4txt on iPad to my student and high school. Technology is more useful when taught and used by students, staff and family. My student figured out how to type in his favorite TV character names and have his text speak like "The Chipmunks" as he demonstrated and told me in the car in the school parking lot this morning.



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