

HAWAI'I STATE
Department of Education

Agenda Item II: Report of the Superintendent

- A. Update on Department of Education's supplemental operating budget request for fiscal year 2026-2027
- B. Awards and recognitions for students, employees and/or schools

Hawai'i State Board of Education
General Business Meeting
January 8, 2026

Keith T. Hayashi, *Superintendent*









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**Update on Department of
Education's supplemental
operating budget request for
fiscal year 2026-2027**



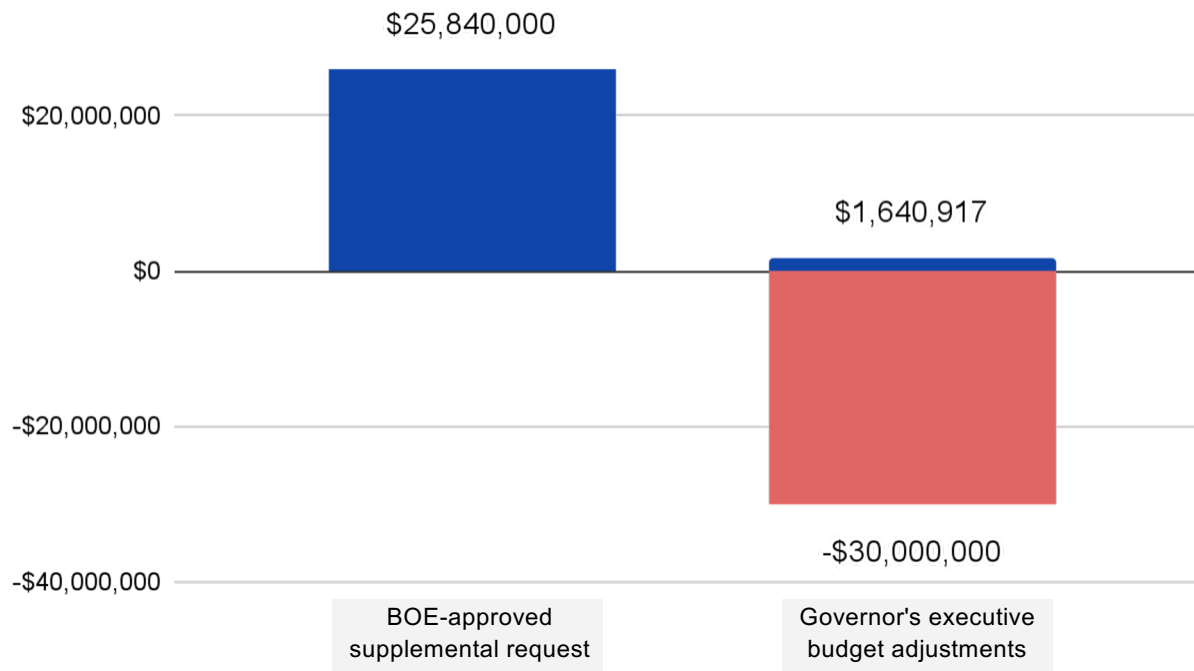
BOE-approved Department supplemental operating budget requests (general funds only)

Globally Competitive, Locally Committed	School Food	Critical Infrastructure	Health, Safety, Court Mandates	Realignment	Federal Fund Replacement	TOTAL
						\$25.8M
\$3.69 M	\$3.56 M	\$6.77 M	\$11.82 M	Net Zero	TBD	

For details, see Supplemental Operating Budget Request to the Board of Education:
https://boe.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/20251009_FIC_OpBudget2627.pdf



Governor's executive supplemental operating budget adjustments (general funds only)



Executive operating budget **general fund** adjustments:

- Add \$880,917 to base and \$760,000 non-recurring for regional kitchen operations
- Reduce \$30,000,000 in general funds for school repair and maintenance
**FY26 school repair and maintenance funds are currently restricted*
- Net Adjustments: **-\$28,359,083**

For details, see Department of Budget & Finance Fiscal Year 2027 Executive Supplemental Budget:

https://budget.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/17.-Department-of-Education-FY-27-SUPP.xApH_-1.pdf



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**Awards and recognitions for
students, employees and/or
schools**



John Philip Sousa Foundation Legion of Honor Award Maui High School

Kerry Wasano, band director of Maui High School received the prestigious Legion of Honor Award.

The Legion of Honor Award was established by the John Philip Sousa Foundation to recognize and honor band directors who have led school concert band programs of excellent musical quality for at least 20 years and have held leadership positions in their professional organizations.



Maui High band director Kerry Wasano



A Hui Hou Principal Frank Fernandes Kaimukī Middle School

Award-winning principal, Frank Fernandes, retired after five decades of service to Hawai'i public schools.

- Principal of his alma mater for 39 years
- Hawai'i Principal of the Year (National Association of Secondary School Principals), 2000, 2012
- National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence, 1998
- Middle School of Distinction (Association for Middle Level Education), 2025



At a surprise assembly, students honored Principal Fernandes with music, song and handcrafted gifts.



Women Who Mean Business

Tammi Oyadomari-Chun, deputy superintendent of strategy and administration, is being honored by Pacific Business News.

The “Women Who Mean Business Award” recognizes Hawai'i leaders who have demonstrated excellence in both business and their communities.

