



## HSTE Kaua`i July 2015 Newsletter

It is with sincere excitement that we announce that we have secured Year 2 funding for HSTE Kaua`i! This means we will be offering sponsorship to SOTF, the GAFE Summit, hosting the 2nd Annual Edcamp Kaua`i, and providing several other PD opportunities for educators on Kaua`i. Thanks to the Hale Uluwehi Fund and [Aloha Angels](#), HSTE Kaua`i can continue on with its mission. We are beyond grateful for the generosity of the aforementioned organizations.

As always, please feel free to forward these newsletters, meeting announcements, and event info to friends and colleagues. We know there are a lot more teachers out there that can benefit from our organization and they can join for free [by clicking here](#). Please contact Jessica Kerber- [jkerb9@gmail.com](mailto:jkerb9@gmail.com) or Lisa Mireles- [lisavmireles@gmail.com](mailto:lisavmireles@gmail.com) if you have any suggestions or questions. As always, we welcome your feedback and thank you for your ongoing support!

### ***Upcoming Events:***

#### **\*\*DATE CHANGE\*\*HSTE Kaua`i September Meet and Greet**

You are invited to our next Meet and Greet which will be held on **September 2nd** from 5pm to 7 pm at Kaua`i Beer Company in Lihue. This will be a social event to chat with other educators from around the island. Come find out about [SOTF](#) and the other events HSTE Kaua`i has planned. We hope you can make it!

Our last Meet and Greet was held at St. Catherine's School. Check out the meeting notes [here](#) and the presentation [here](#).

### ***Announcements:***

#### **Schools of the Future Conference**

The [Schools of the Future Conference](#) is a two day conference dedicated to innovation and deeper learning and will be held on November 3rd & 4th at the Honolulu Convention Center. HSTE Kaua`i has grant funding to support 22 dynamic teacher leaders and/or school administrators to attend the event. This year we would like to send school

teams of administrators/teachers. We will be giving preference to applicants who have administrators who also apply. One of our goals in providing this support is to see schools on Kaua'i adopt some of the forward thinking models presented at SOTF. By getting teams (including an admin) to go, we better ensure school-wide transformation. You must be a HSTE member to apply and you can join for free by [clicking here](#). This is lining up to be a robust few days jam packed with amazing learning opportunities. You are encouraged to apply for one of the 22 available spots. Find out more details and apply here- [SOTF Conference Application Link](#). **Application deadline is September 11, 2014**. Selected applicants will be notified by September 18th, 2014.

### **Seeking Experts**

As part of our Year 2 plan, we are planning on providing workshops in the following areas:

- GAFE
- Digital Design
- Coding
- Digital Storytelling
- Project Based Learning

As our goals/mission state, we are striving to build capacity on our island and we would love to pay educators to provide workshops on the above topics. If you are interested or would like more information, please email Jessica- [jkerb9@gmail.com](mailto:jkerb9@gmail.com) Mahalo to those who have already emailed! Formal planning will begin in September.

### **Interested in Digital Design & 3D Printing? - Sign Out one of our 3D Printers**

Nathaniel Evslin, tech coordinator for Island School is managing and housing the [Makerbot Replicator](#) and [Structure I.O 3D scanner](#). Jessica Kerber is managing the [Dremel idea Builder](#).

If you are interested in using a machine, please email [Jessica](#) or [Nathaniel](#). The Makerbot Replicator can be **signed out and used by any HSTE Kaua'i member**. We can provide training and support as you delve into the fascinating world of digital design and 3D printing. We want *you* to use these machines, even if you are completely new to the idea. So please don't be afraid to contact us and check out [www.tinkercad.com](http://www.tinkercad.com) - this is the program we are using to build our designs. This [article](#) also has some information to get you started.

### ***Tech Tip of the Month:***

***Get Connected!*** Looking to take your teaching to the next level? These are some great free resources to find out what other tech-ed experts are doing.

- ***Google Rocks!*** - hosted by Linda Lindsay - weekly Google Hangouts on different topics on every Tuesday at 7PM HST. [More info here](#).

- **EdTech Mixed Plate** - hosted by HSTE Members - Michael, Michelle, Megan, and Rachel - Sunday nights at 7PM. Each episode they share EdTech and Personal Learning Resources. Check the website for archives, upcoming topics, and the calendar of events.
- **Please join the educational Twitter Chat, #edchatHI.**  
*A Twitter Chat is an hour long discussion that takes place on Twitter. Participants use and follow the hashtag, #edchatHI. The goal of this Twitter chat is to bring individuals living in or from Hawaii together to discuss important and relevant issues related to education at all levels (Pre-K through College). #edchatHI will take place on the first Monday of every month from 6pm to 7pm HST.*
- **GEG Hawaii Google+ Community (Google Educators Group)**  
*Join a community 1,700+ local educators! Ask questions, participate in discussions, and share your resources Google+ Community link*

Check out more info and resources HSTE Kaua`i members have compiled from conferences this year on our [HSTE Kaua`i Shareout form](#).

-Find helpful resources, updates, and connect with other HSTE members from across the state.

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You can also check out our webpage on the HSTE site for other valuable resources and information- <http://www.hste.org/Kauai>