



Our greatest success has been the strong relationships built between the teachers, administrators and coaches.

Comprehensive Literacy State Development (CLSD) Grant

CLSD Wahiawa Collaborative

Coaching Teachers and Families to Build Language Rich Environments for Young Keiki

Classroom Language Environment



+3 PER HOUR

Conversational turns in the classroom

+53%

Conversational turns for low-talk children

Home Language Environment



Conversational turns

TV minutes

Teacher Engagement

100%

Teacher Knowledge

Teacher Confidence

✓ **Teacher Engagement was incredibly high.**

- 100% of teachers engaging every year.
- Teachers remain engaged and want to continue the coaching model beyond the CLSD years.

✓ **Family engagement was lower than expected. But positive family experiences support recruitment going forward.**

- Engagement challenges were exacerbated by the pandemic and difficulties in recruitment.
- Families who participated in the programs found them so beneficial that they then supported recruitment of other families in the following years.

✓ **Teachers have increased their knowledge and confidence.**

- Teachers were more engaged with individualizing plans for students to address areas of concern.
- Teachers have increased their knowledge and confidence in literacy and language, culture-based education, and family engagement strategies.
- Teachers have increased their confidence in referring families to Early Intervention and DOE SPED services.

✓ **Conversational Turns (CT) have increased in classrooms and families.**

- Increased Conversational Turns (CT) by 53% for low-talk children in LENA Grow classrooms
- Increase in the classroom of 3 CT per hour
- LENA Start families saw an increase in CT and a decrease in TV minutes

Lessons Learned

✓ **While our focus was on Language and Literacy, many teachers benefitted from broad coaching support**

- i.e. classroom management, social emotional learning, or child development
- Experienced teachers were more able to utilize grant specific evidence-based strategies.

✓ **Teachers need professional development and support to stay engaged in their career and to feel ready to pursue education or career advancement.**

- Teachers can greatly benefit from comprehensive coaching. They increased their understanding of strategies and how their teaching methods impact child development and increased their creativity in planning and long-term goals.
- External coaching provides an exclusively coach to teacher relationship focused purely on teaching children and families without the distractions of supervisory relationship concerns or school administrative issues.

The CLSD Wahiawa Collaborative

- ✓ Provides coaching for teachers and families to improve pre-literacy skills, early reading, and writing skills for young children
- ✓ Focus on families who are living in poverty, English learners, and children with disabilities
- ✓ Began in Wahiawa within the Leilehua-Mililani-Wai'alua DOE complex, expanded to Kahuku, Hawai'i
- ✓ Family Hui Hawaii, Rainbow Schools, HCAP Head Start, Hawaii DOH Early Intervention Services, Early Childhood Action Strategy, and Read to Me International

LENA
GROW™

Classroom
Language
Environment

LENA
START™

Home
Language
Environment

LENA
SP™

DIALOGIC
READING

Reading
Skills



Nurturing Families. Strengthening Communities.

FamilyHui
HAWAII

Mission: To support, encourage and empower families to thrive during all seasons of early childhood to ensure that children are thriving, healthy, and safe.

About us: Peer Parenting Support Programs to strengthen families and reduce child abuse and neglect. All programs are free and open to all families.

FamilyHuiHawaii.org

Family Hui Hawaii Family Engagement Programs

Hui

Family Hui Hawaii provide families with the opportunity to share, connect, learn, and grow together with our Hui programs, including Neighborhood Hui, Hui in School, Hui in the Workplace, as well as specialized groups including Hui in the NICU and Hui with families involved in the child welfare system or in recovery programs.

Parent Cafe

These virtual 90 minute sessions each have a unique theme, and provide families with time to reflect and share about topics including self-care, setting boundaries, and gentle parenting. These programs are available to all families, and registration is easy on our website.

Storytime

Join Jasmine at your local library or school for one of our fun, free, and interaction story times! Each session includes information to increase parental confidence and understanding of how to read and tell stories with their children. Each session includes story expansion such as using puppets and crafts to make a story more memorable and come to life with their keiki!

Developmental Screening

Family Hui Hawaii offers families free developmental screenings and tools. All families can complete an Ages and Stages Questionnaire for their little ones to receive feedback from one of our Child Development Specialists by visiting familyhuihawaii.org/asqs. Families can also access our specially developed tool-kits to increase interaction and engagement with their keiki. All families with children up to 8th Grade can receive weekly developmental texts by texting "Hui" to 70138.

Family Engagement

Along with our events and programming, Family Hui Hawaii provide family engagement opportunities for schools, families and community. We are currently offering our exciting new program Embracing Your Journey As Your Child's First Teacher Workshop! We have delivered these workshops across the state, with families having the opportunity to expand their knowledge.

Workshops for Families and Professionals

Family Hui Hawaii will continue to offer LENA

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