



The Hawaii State Legislature

hereby presents this certificate to

THE EDUCATION LABORATORY PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL ON ITS HONORABLE MENTION AS A 2011 CHARTER SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE

The **EDUCATION LABORATORY PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL** also known as the University Laboratory School has served as site to research, test, and develop educational curriculum for students in grades K to 12. Initially the school was under the University of Hawaii at Manoa's College of Education, it later became a joint project between the Department of Education and the University of Hawaii as the Hawaii Curriculum Center. In 1969, the Center phased out and the school became the University Laboratory School under the University of Hawaii Curriculum Research and Development Group.

More important than being a research facility, the school provides an excellent opportunity for its students from grades K to 12 to learn and develop to the best of their abilities. These students are carefully screened to ensure that the student population accurately represents our student populations across Hawaii. Parents of students must also be committed to the school and its programs. Many of Hawaii's former and present leaders graduated from this school.

In 2000, University Laboratory School applied for charter school status with the Department of Education. In 2001, the school officially became a public charter school. As a charter school, it is unique because it is the only charter school that has a dual mission of providing the best education to its students and serve as a research and development for educational curriculum and school design.

Each year, a charter school is selected for the Charter School of Excellence Award. The award recognizes a charter school that has provided exemplary education to its students and demonstrates outstanding leadership not only within the charter school system but the entire education system. One school receives the award and two schools receive honorable mention. The Education Laboratory Public Charter School received an honorable mention in 2011.

The Twenty-Sixth Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, recognizes and congratulates the **EDUCATION LABORATORY PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL** on its honorable mention as a 2011 Charter School of Excellence.


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