



KANUIKAPONO

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

Job Title: Secondary Social Studies Teacher

Location: KanuiKapono Public Charter School, Anahola, Kaua'i, Hawai'i

Position Type: Full-Time

Reports To: Executive Director / Designee

Position Overview

KanuiKapono Public Charter School (KPCS) is seeking a passionate and culturally responsive **Secondary Social Studies Teacher** to support the academic and personal growth of our haumāna (students) in grades 6-12. Rooted in 'Ike Hawai'i (Hawaiian knowledge) and place-based education, KPCS emphasizes meaningful learning connected to history, culture, governance, geography, and community.

The Secondary Social Studies Teacher will help students develop a strong understanding of the past and present while building critical thinking, civic awareness, and a deep connection to 'āina (land) and lāhui (community).

Key Responsibilities

- Plan and deliver engaging, standards-based social studies instruction aligned to grade-level expectations
 - Teach content including history, geography, civics, economics, and/or Hawaiian studies (as assigned)
 - Integrate 'Ike Hawai'i, mo'olelo (stories), and place-based learning into instruction
 - Facilitate student understanding of historical events, cultural perspectives, and civic responsibility
 - Develop students' critical thinking, research, and analytical writing skills
 - Use formative and summative assessments to monitor student progress
 - Analyze student data to inform instruction and improve outcomes
 - Differentiate instruction to meet diverse learning needs
 - Collaborate with kumu (teachers), staff, and administration to support student success
 - Participate in MTSS, IEP/504 meetings, and student support processes as needed
 - Promote respectful discussion, civic engagement, and restorative practices
 - Communicate regularly with 'ohana (families) regarding student progress
 - Support student understanding of local, national, and global issues through a culturally grounded lens
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Minimum Qualifications

- Bachelor's Degree in Social Studies, Education, History, or related field
 - Valid Hawai'i Teacher License (Secondary Social Studies) or ability to obtain
 - Strong knowledge of social studies content and instructional strategies
 - Effective classroom management and communication skills
 - Ability to facilitate discussion-based and inquiry-driven learning
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Preferred Qualifications

- Experience teaching middle and/or high school social studies
 - Knowledge of 'Ike Hawai'i, Hawaiian history, and place-based education
 - Experience with project-based learning and primary source analysis
 - Familiarity with MTSS, PBIS, and social-emotional learning (SEL)
 - Experience working in a public charter or diverse school setting
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Working Conditions

- School-based setting in a rural community
 - Frequent integration of outdoor, community-based, and 'āina-centered learning
 - Occasional evening or weekend participation in school events and 'ohana engagement
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Compensation & Benefits

- Salary: DOE (Dependent on Experience)
 - Benefits: Health insurance, retirement plan, and paid leave in accordance with KPCS policies
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How to Apply

Interested applicants should submit:

- Cover Letter
- Resume
- Copies of certifications/licenses
- Three professional references

Please submit application materials to: [✉ hr@kanuikapono.k12.hi.us](mailto:hr@kanuikapono.k12.hi.us)

Equal Opportunity Statement

KanuiKapono Public Charter School is an equal opportunity employer committed to fostering a culturally grounded and inclusive learning environment. We encourage applicants who are passionate about serving the Kaua'i community and uplifting 'Ike Hawai'i in education.