

Model Code of Ethics for Educators (MCEE)

Board Policy

In June of 2018, the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board (HTSB) adopted the Model Code of Ethics for Educators (MCEE) to support educators in the many ethical dilemmas encountered in their daily practice.

Making Ethical Decisions

According to Charlotte Danielson (1996), teachers make about 3,000 non-trivial decisions in a day. The Model Code of Ethics is a tool for developing a proactive approach to ethical decision-making, guiding an educator's daily practice when working with students, colleagues, and school communities. The MCEE is set up as a way for educators to prompt reflection or evaluation of decisions.



The MCEE is broken up into five principles:

- 1. Responsibility to the Profession
- 2. Responsibility to Professional Competence
- 3. Responsibility to the Students
- 4. Responsibility to the School Community
- Responsible and Ethical Use of Technology



Professional Development:

The Hawaii Teacher Standards Board offers both formal professional development at local conferences and institute days and on the HIDOE PDE3 course offerings. HTSB has also created informal professional development through open source videos, blogs, flyers, research papers and recorded webinars.

