

March 23, 2023

Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board 650 Iwilei Road, Suite 201 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96817

Re: NBI 22-71 Revised

Dear Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board Members,

Chaminade University would like to strongly encourage the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board to consider recognizing the investment of time and money made by students who started a teacher preparation program prior to November 19, 2021. The proposed change to NBI 22-71 Revised which refers to Administrative Rules §8-54-16, which requires teacher candidates to request a suspension of rules and hope for approval, places a potential undue risk on these students. To ensure their confidence in completing the program they started, Chaminade University requests that all students who started a teacher preparation program prior to November 19, 2021, be grandfathered in and allowed to complete their programs in accordance with the rules that were in place when they began. We have submitted a list of Chaminade education students who could potentially complete their student teaching out-of-state based on the rules in place when they started their program. We greatly appreciate your consideration on this important matter.

Sincerely,

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