

TITLE: Acceptance of Teaching Experience from the Department of Defense Education Activity Licensed Teachers

The Hawaii Teacher Standards Board accepts Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) teaching experience from individuals who hold an active and valid DoDEA teaching license.

Rationale/Background Information:

According to the [Department of Defense Education Activity \(DoDEA\)](#):

- DoDEA operates 160 schools in 8 Districts located in 11 foreign countries, 7 states, and 2 territories.
- There are nearly 900,000 military connected children of all ages worldwide, of which more than 66,000 are enrolled in DoDEA schools and served by more than 8,000 educators.
- DoDEA schools are U. S. accredited, and the teachers and specialists are fully academically qualified to instruct and perform other tasks necessary to provide a high-quality educational program for students in grades pre-kindergarten through grade 12.
- The DoDEA Licensure Unit evaluates State teaching certificates and transcripts before job offers are made.
- The reciprocity is governed by the Interstate Agreement developed by the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification (NASDTEC).

[Department of Defense Education Fact Sheet](#)

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