



Ka'Umeke Kā'eo
Hawaiian Immersion Public Charter School
I N K E A U K A H A

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**PAPA MĀLAA'Ō
ENROLLMENT CAP**

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Purpose

According to the recommendations set forth by the National Education Association (see attached), young keiki at the papa mālaa'ō level make greater gains in smaller sized classes. Granted we cannot fully fund a class with no more than 15 haumāna, it is recommended that we change the papa mālaa'ō enrollment cap from the current 24 to 22.

As of lā 10 o Kepakemapa 2007, Kumu Leimomi's papa is now past capacity at 25 keiki due to a transfer from papa 'ekahi. In order to prevent unforeseen overcrowding such as this, it is crucial that we change the cap number.

- This will allow for possible (immersion) transfers within the same school year WITHOUT overcrowding – keep in mind that each papa mālaa'ō class is equipped to accommodate a MAXIMUM 24 keiki – any excess becomes tricky.
- There is a built-in “cushion” in case keiki are retained at the papa 'ekahi level.
- Majority of incoming keiki mālaa'ō are non-speakers, a smaller class size will be beneficial to second language acquisition.
- Smaller numbers = less stress = happier kumu = quality education for all

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