The General Learner Outcomes

Equally important to learning academic content is developing the knowledge, skills and attitudes that all students need in order to lead full and productive lives. The six General Learner Outcomes serve as the essential, overarching goals for all of the content and performance standards. These Outcomes are:

1. **The ability to be responsible for one’s own learning**
2. **The understanding that it is essential for human beings to work together**
3. **The ability to be involved in complex thinking and problem solving**
4. **The ability to recognize and produce quality performance and quality products**
5. **The ability to communicate effectively**
6. **The ability to use a variety of technology effectively and ethically**

These Outcomes must be an integral part of teaching and learning and the heart of every Hawaii classroom. Teachers of all subjects in all grades must contribute to the development of the General Learner Outcomes while promoting the learning of subject matter as well.

The real test of the standards is their ability to improve student learning. Raising expectations is but the first step; it’s what we do with the standards—how we realize them in all classrooms for all students—that will determine whether we can fulfill the Department’s vision of graduating students who

- realize their individual goals and aspirations
- possess the attitudes, knowledge and skills necessary to contribute positively and compete in a global society
- exercise the rights and responsibilities of citizenship
- pursue post-secondary education and/or careers without need for remediation.