**OUR APPROACH  
5Cs**

- **Conservation** - Create a model for protecting and preserving our precious natural, environmental and cultural resources, operating with a minimal footprint and building a sustainable community for generations to come.

- **Creativity** - Enrich the learning environment for students of all ages, cultivating a living laboratory for sciences and a 3-D canvas for artistic and creative expression.

- **Community** - Draw from native Hawaiian traditions and diverse cultural values to build a growing and vibrant Kapolei community.

- **Caring** - Learn to take care of others and ourselves, promoting healthy and nurturing lifestyles.

- **Careers** - Open minds and doors to Green careers that have a net benefit on the environment as well as provide economic and social sustainability for Hawai‘i’s families.

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Teaching and inspiring communities to live and work in a healthy, sustainable way

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Core Programs

**Ola Nā Kini** - Native and edible forest regeneration program that heals the land, ocean, and multitude of life through engagement and education - Provides stewardship activities at Leeward O‘ahu sites with students, teachers, and community volunteers

**Hawai‘i Green Collar Institute** - Short-term courses for students and teachers to provide green collar career experiences and professional development for teachers

**Mālama ʻĀina Field School** – Credit bearing summer school program for Wai‘anae-based students from grades 8-10

**Wai Huihia** - Kumu (teacher) network for ʻĀina and Place-based Learning

**WOW - Without Walls** - Hands-on workshops on everyday sustainability practices for the community

“This course has changed my mindset about teaching practice and content knowledge. This one thought - that we should bring in our community as the experts, unlocked a lot of the potential for me.” – Teacher participant from ‘Ewa

“This was literally the best thing ever. It was a little tiring, but I built a connection with my community.” – Student participant from Kapolei

“I have changed because I have become more emotionally and spiritually connected to the land, my home.” – Student participant from Wai‘anae

Partnership Programs

**Islander Scholars** - Honoring high school juniors from Hawaii’s public schools who exemplify the values of an Islander

**Camp Pālehua** - an education partner where environmental education has a home

**Outside Hawai‘i TV** - Monthly television show on Spectrum OC16 telling uplifting stories of environment, conservation, and cultures of Hawai‘i and the Pacific