



BENEFITS

- School board members and teachers have immediate access to a central repository of the most current versions of policy documentation.
- Through SpringCM, KALO offers a way for a community to co-create and share files quickly and easily.
- KALO has gained a 24/7 document management platform for a low monthly fee.
- A single solution manages online, electronic (email), and fax delivery as well as inbound and outbound physical mail, ensuring timely and appropriate communication and document distribution.

IMPLEMENTATION HIGHLIGHTS

- On behalf of KALO, SpringCM provides a central document repository that is available 24/7 through a Web browser.
- More than 37 school board members, administrators and teachers in this Hawaiian charter school use SpringCM to collaborate on policy development.
- KALO is leveraging its SpringCM relationship to efficiently centralize, manage, and share information among geographically distributed individuals.

SpringCM Helps KALO Build Educational and Cultural Initiatives

In 2000, a young native grassroots organization — the Kanu o ka `Aina Learning `Ohana (KALO) opened the first native designed and controlled public charter school to develop and support programs that advance Hawaiian education and culture within the community.

Based on more than a decade of indigenous action research, the school is integrating native values and traditions with the latest in 21st century educational technology.

With little Internet technology infrastructure to support their mission, however — to provide a culturally-driven, academically rigorous choice in public education to children from K-12 — KALO sought the advice of an IT Consultant, Nancy Levenson to advise them.

Ms. Levenson explored options for filling in a technology gap that existed among school board members who were rarely on campus, and teachers and administrators who were charged with developing school policies.

Through SpringCM, the school instantly gained an advanced, secure technology platform that enabled those accessing the system to co-create, share and manage policy documents.

“SpringCM is a natural fit for KALO’s strategic initiative — to integrate native values and traditions with the latest in 21st century educational technology.”

— Nancy Levenson, IT Consultant,

As the KALO community used the SpringCM system, individuals discovered additional opportunities to foster communication and build efficiencies.

SpringCM now acts as central repository for KALO human resources forms and materials. Additionally, SpringCM serves as a tool to collaborate and communicate with constituents including the news media. Through SpringCM, KALO uploads large image files and provides direct access to those files through shared folders. The press is now able to easily download those images for reprint.

Looking to the future, KALO plans to use SpringCM for curriculum development and to distribute report cards both electronically and through SpringCM’s mail on-demand service, reducing time and materials costs associated with those tasks.