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Mahalo for the great opportunity to attend ISTE 2017 in San Antonio. I learned so much about how educational institutions around the world are implementing technology in education. I got to experience the emerging trends and latest innovations in education technology that I can bring back home to UH Maui College.

I learned so much from networking with faculty from over 70 universities about adopting the ISTE standards to better support our students. I got to see the power of leveraging technology to bridge the digital divide, and I got to hear directly from students about how using technology in the classroom is helping them to achieve academic success. I was able to network with librarians and educators in K-college about getting students ready for careers now and into the future by encouraging creativity and innovation.

I had the opportunity to attend informative presentations held by large corporations, such as; Google, Microsoft, Apple, and Autodesk, and learn about their new products and services that will draw students into the library as well as support our current degree programs. I also got to experience the latest developments in 3-D printing technology, Virtual Reality, and drone implementation.

My day to day duties have been reinvigorated by the amazing experience. I will use the knowledge I gained to grow our equipment loan program, and to introduce new technology to our students that will benefit them both on and off campus. I will also use what I have learned to implement methods that will allow our staff to work more efficiently whereby providing better service to our campus community.