



TO WHĀNAU PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS

ENROLMENT SCHEME FOR TAHUNA NORMAL INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

The Ministry of Education requires the Board of Trustees to implement an enrolment scheme in accordance with section 11H of the Education Act 1989, to avoid overcrowding at the school.

As part of this process, we need to consult with our school community, the wider community and neighbouring schools. The Board has prepared a proposed zone as a basis for consultation. That proposal is set out in the attached map and explanation. A larger version is on display in the school office.

The introduction of an enrolment scheme will not affect children who are currently enrolled at Tahuna Normal Intermediate School, they will continue to be enrolled at the school. ("Currently enrolled" means that the child is enrolled at and has started attending Tahuna Normal Intermediate School when the scheme becomes effective.)

For children who have not yet enrolled at Tahuna Normal Intermediate School when the scheme comes into effect, the enrolment scheme means that:

If they live in the zone, they will have the right to enrol at Tahuna Normal Intermediate School

If the Board of Trustees enforces the the enrollment scheme and they live outside the zone, they will only be able to enrol at Tahuna Normal Intermediate School if there are places available in their year group. If more children wish to enrol than there are places available, the Education Act says that places must be offered to children in the following order of priority:

1. Students accepted for enrolment in a special programme run by the school and approved by the Secretary of Education (this does not apply to Tahuna Normal Intermediate School).
2. Siblings of current students.
3. Siblings of former students.
4. Children of former students
5. Children of staff and board members.
6. All other students

If more children within any one of these priority groups wish to enrol than there are places available, the Board must conduct a ballot to determine who is offered a place.

Before making any decisions on the enrolment scheme, we would like to hear the views of current and prospective whanau, parents and caregivers, and others in the community with an interest in this. Please submit all comments to

- online at <http://enrolmentscheme.webnz.org/>
- email to zoning@tahuna.school.nz
- post to the school address
- deliver to the submissions box by the school office

by **4 pm Thursday 1 June 2017**

We appreciate that this process will cause uncertainty for some families, and we will keep you informed as the process develops through the school newsletter and on its website

<https://tahuna.school.nz/>

If you have any questions at this stage please contact the principal, Tony Hunter

Yours sincerely

Mike McCaw

Board of Trustees Chairperson