



TE AWAMUTU COLLEGE

POLICY STATEMENT ON MĀORI LANGUAGE

Pūtake (Rationale)

To ensure students have opportunities to communicate effectively in oral, visual and written language (Te Reo Māori).

Whāinga (Purposes)

1. Students will understand, respond to, and use oral, visual and written language in a range of contexts.
2. Students will have a life interest in the Māori language in all its varieties.
3. Students will be able to extend their own knowledge, beliefs, skills, attitude and value of Maori society.
4. Students' development in Māori language will be monitored and assessed according to school policy.

Ngā Aratohu (Guidelines)

1. Reading, writing, speaking, listening, viewing, presenting and role playing programmes will be developed to cater for individual learning needs.
2. Students will participate in a wide variety of positive Māori language experiences in authentic contexts.
3. Students will be provided with high quality examples of language.
4. Appropriate material and technology will be used for students' learning and this material will be continually updated.
5. Students will be assessed against the achievement objectives of the Learning Languages Curriculum (New Zealand Curriculum document).

Whakatinana (Implementation)

1. The development and implementation of teaching programmes shall be consistent with the school Charter and meet the needs of students and their parents.
2. Students will be encouraged to attend Tangihanga, Hui and community based activities.
3. Teaching programmes will be enriched by the use of support networks in their widest context.
4. The teaching programmes will be evaluated according to school policy and this should include evaluation by students.

Rauemi (Resources)

1. In the College – staff, audio visual aids, written material, computer technology, cultural environment.
2. In the Community – Kaumatua/Kuia, Iwi/Hapu, Matua/Whaea, Marae, Te Wānanga o Aotearoa, Whare Taonga.
3. Environmental Facilities – Ngahere, Awa/Moana, Maungatautari Ecological Island.

Ngā Hua (Outcomes)

The students will use appropriate language to communicate effectively and confidently in a wide variety of situations.

CHAIRPERSON

DATE

20/3/14

PRINCIPAL

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