

What do trustees do?

Trustees on a school board of trustees work together to make sure every child/ tamariki reaches their highest possible standard in educational achievement. As part of that key responsibility, here are some of the things boards do:

- Work with the principal and consult with staff, students and the community
- Set the educational goals and strategic direction of the school
- Monitor progress and let parents know how the school is progressing against its annual targets and how well students are achieving
- Decide how the school's funding will be spent
- Support the school's principal and support the development of all staff
- Oversee the management of staff, property, finances, curriculum and administration.

Our board currently meets monthly on:

Monday evenings from 6pm until 8pm

Our school's mission statement is:

To foster academic excellence and social maturity, within a positive learning environment, so that our students can achieve as motivated, respectful and caring citizens.

Our school's vision statement is:

Our students will achieve excellence within a positive learning environment, so that they develop into lifelong learners who are motivated, respectful and caring citizens.

This vision will allow our students to become confident, connected, lifelong learners who are actively involved in our country.

The professional development that we offer you is:

Board of Trustees Conference – annually

NZSTA Workshops are available

We need trustees who are focused on supporting teaching and learning and the ongoing improvement of student achievement.

Is this you?

If so, please fill out the attached nomination form.

We need you to step forward for our schools!

For further information, please contact:

Board Chair: Max Guptill

Principal: Nick Coughlan
09 579 5049

Returning Officer: Heather Eustace
09 280 0484

NZSTA: 0800 353 284

 **SCHOOL
TRUSTEE
ELECTIONS**



One Tree Hill
COLLEGE

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Becoming a
board member


**Step forward for
your school**

Every state and state integrated school in New Zealand is currently undergoing a trustee election process.

At our school we are looking for five parent trustees. You do not need to be a parent to stand for election.

The full list of who is ineligible to stand in the election as a candidate is on the nomination form.

If you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the school's Returning Officer

Heather Eustace
09 280 0484

*Nominations must be received
by noon
Friday 05 August 2022*

For our board to be the best it can be we need people around the board table with a range of these competencies, skills and personal qualities.

GENERAL COMPETENCIES

Visionary leadership
Strategic thinkers
Analytical thinkers
Practical people
People who can communicate well
Team players

HELPFUL SKILLS

Strategic expertise
Financial understanding
Legal understanding
Risk management
People management
Knowledge of education environment

PERSONAL QUALITIES

Integrity
Curiosity
Courage
Interpersonal skills
Genuine interest in the school and its students
Time and commitment
Willingness to learn

It is not expected that each trustee will have all of these skills, but a range of skills around the board table is essential.

One Tree Hill College – role of a Board member:

Trustees on the Board agree to adhere to the following Code of Conduct and the One Tree Hill College Staff Code of Conduct. 'Trustee' refers to all elected, co-opted, Principal, staff and student trustees who make up the Board. Trustees shall:

- Ensure that Board decisions support the delivery of the Charter, as defined by the vision, for all students. Decisions will reflect the MOEs, NAGS, NEGs and any other relevant legislation.
- Ensure that the values and guiding principles are foremost when making decisions.
- Respect the integrity of all involved in the College i.e. students, parents, staff, trustees and the Principal as the professional leader of the college.
- Maintain the confidentiality and trust vested in them.
- Support Board decisions and not act independently of any decisions made.
- Defer to the Chair as the public spokesperson for the Board as and when they arise. Failure to disclose a conflict of interest could result in disciplinary action.
- Act as good employers.
- Serve the College and community to the best of their ability and be honest, reliable and trustworthy in all Board matters.
- Positively promote the College in the community.
- Keep the Board informed about community perspective as relevant through the Chair.