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Official Information Act Request

Thank you for your request received 4 February 2022, under the Official Information Act 1982, for the following information:

Can you tell me, what schools, if any, had no students reach University Entrance?

NZQA does not hold data on students engaged in school leaver qualifications other than NCEA. We are, therefore, only able to provide a response and associated data on schools that we have students for whom we hold a record. NZQA does not hold data on University Entrance obtained through Cambridge International Examinations and International Baccalaureate.

We have interpreted your request to be referring to the 2020 academic year.

We have identified 38 schools with at least one student in Year 13 with an entry with NZQA, who did not obtain university entrance (UE) through NCEA in the 2020 academic year. Students attending some of the 38 schools may have obtained entrance to university through other means. For information regarding entrance to universities in New Zealand, please refer to Te Pūkai Tara Universities New Zealand website: <https://www.universitiesnz.ac.nz/>.

Some of these schools:

- offer Cambridge International Examinations and International Baccalaureate; which are alternative qualifications to NCEA.
- provide transition pathways through vocationally orientated programmes because their students may be preparing to enter trades courses.
- offer personalised learning programmes tailored to individual student needs.
- support students with disabilities or ongoing health needs, or students with severe learning difficulties where UE is not an appropriate pathway.

Under section 9(2)(a) of the Official Information Act 1982, NZQA is withholding the names of 26 schools who have five or fewer students enrolled, as this information may lead to the identification of students. To protect student privacy, we cannot name these schools.

School	Distinct Level 13 Learners with at least one NZQA entry*	University Entrance Achieved 2020
Mangakahia Area School	6	0
Chilton Saint James School	6	0
Wentworth College	6	0
Southern Health School	6	0
Te Kura o Kokohuia	6	0
Pinehurst School	8	0

ACG Strathallan	8	0
Ngata Memorial College	10	0
Te Kura Kaupapa Māori a Rohe o Mangere	11	0
Manukau Institute of Technology (Secondary)	16	0
Kingslea School	30	0
ACG Parnell College	51	0
* Note: “Distinct Year 13 Learners with at least one NZQA entry” may not be the total number of students the school has enrolled in year 13.		

In May 2021, NZQA published the *2020 Annual Report on NCEA, University Entrance and NZ Scholarship data and statistics* (<https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/assets/About-us/Publications/stats-reports/NCEA-Annual-Report-2020.pdf>). Please refer to the pages 9-25 for additional information regarding NCEA and University Entrance Attainment.

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If you require further assistance or believe we have misinterpreted your request, please contact ministerials@nzqa.govt.nz.

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have the right, under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act 1982, to lodge a complaint with the Office of the Ombudsman at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz. You can also telephone 0800 802 502 or write to the Ombudsman at PO Box 10152, Wellington, 6143.

Nāku nā



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