

KAIPARA COLLEGE STUDENT SUPPORT POLICY

RATIONALE

- 1.1 The Board of trustees is required to provide an environment which promotes student wellbeing (hauora).
- 1.2 To provide guidelines for the provision of student support services including;
 - Social work
 - Student advisor
 - Counselling services.
 - General medical, and
 - Other access to other specialist support agencies and services

GUIDELINES

The student support team will:

- 2.1 This will be offered through the college's student support services including; a social worker, student advisor, counselling services and general nursing service.
- 2.2 Provide a professional and confidential counselling and support service for all students.
- 2.3 Adopt the hauora model in supporting students, being cognisant of their physical, emotional, social and spiritual / cultural needs.
- 2.4 Provide guidance services, programmes and activities, through health education and other learning experiences, for students to explore difficulties and concerns and enable them to make informed decisions.
- 2.5 Ensure all services are accessible and appropriate for Maori and other ethnic groups including international students.
- 2.6 Identify students at risk and provide appropriate support.
- 2.7 Access support for students and caregivers from a variety of external agencies and social services.
- 2.8 Utilise and promote restorative and strength-based principles and practices.
- 2.9 Recognise the school and parent and caregiver partnership and promote constructive communication between families, peers and staff.
- 2.10 Provide a professional and confidential service and support for families, whanau and staff.

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