



## **Curriculum**

Papakura High School offers a dynamic and challenging curriculum with a wide range of educational, cultural, sporting and social opportunities. Our core pedagogy is based on a model of 'Learn, Create, Share' with an expectation of students learning in the 21st Century. All programmes use Chromebooks. These devices are a compulsory part of your child's learning equipment. Students are encouraged to set high academic and vocational goals and to develop the desire for life-long learning.

## **Senior Classes**

As an NZQA accredited provider, the school offers students the opportunity to gain national qualifications. We work with MIT and the Trades Academy to offer a range of vocationally based training.

## **Year 11**

Students gain credits towards NCEA Level 1. All students must take Social Studies, English or Te Reo, plus Mathematics and Science, and two other subjects – a total of five courses.

## **Year 12 and Year 13**

Students gain credits towards NCEA Level 2 and 3. There are no compulsory subjects at these levels, although students must meet the prerequisites to be considered for subjects. All students have the opportunity to experience workplace environments whilst gaining additional credits through our Gateway programme. We offer many Tertiary experiences through our Careers Department, smoothing the pathway into further education.

## **Academic Support**

The Learning Centre supports students with individual specific learning needs. Students from overseas may need to study a programme of English as an additional language in our ESOL department. We also have a series of conferences where the focus is placed on the future goals of the student, ensuring that the pathway they are on leads to their desired outcome.



## Junior classes (Year 9 & 10)

To help with the transition from Intermediate school, Year 9 students are kept together as a class for the day. We also have a Transition Programme, Kia Puawai, to promote a sustainable transition into Papakura High School. The priority of Year 10 is to prepare for NCEA Level 1. We also have a Year 10 Diploma, Te Tohu Rangatira. Graduating from Year 10 with a gold, silver or bronze tohu / diploma means that students have demonstrated that they can be successful at Level 1 NCEA. Students remain as one class to study English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Health and Physical Education. They then choose two option subjects to study for the year.

## Junior Subjects

Year 9	Year 10
<b>English</b> <b>Mathematics</b> <b>Science</b> <b>Social Studies</b> <b>Physical Education / Health</b>	<b>English</b> <b>Mathematics</b> <b>Science</b> <b>Social Studies</b> <b>Physical Education / Health</b>
	<b>Options</b>
<i>Students will follow the subjects below on a rotational basis.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Art</li> <li>● Dance</li> <li>● Digital Technologies</li> <li>● Drama</li> <li>● Food Technology</li> <li>● Hard Materials Technology</li> <li>● Music</li> <li>● Second Language (To be confirmed)</li> <li>● Te Reo Maori</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Art</li> <li>● Business</li> <li>● Dance</li> <li>● Digital Technologies</li> <li>● Drama</li> <li>● Food Technology</li> <li>● Hard Materials Technology</li> <li>● Music</li> <li>● Samoan</li> <li>● Spanish</li> <li>● Sports Education</li> <li>● Te Reo Maori</li> <li>● Tongan</li> </ul>

***Subjects in bold are compulsory***