



New Plymouth Girls' High School

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International Student Application Pack

Send completed application to:

Director of International Students
New Plymouth Girls' High School
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New Plymouth
NEW ZEALAND

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CODE

New Plymouth Girls' High School has agreed to observe and be bound by the Code of Practice for the Pastoral Care of International Students published by the Minister of Education. Copies of the Code are available on request from this institution or from the New Zealand Ministry of Education website at <http://www.minedu.govt.nz/goto/international>

TERM DATES 2009

Term 1	Monday 2 February to Thursday 9 April
Term 2	Monday 27 April to Friday 3 July
Term 3	Monday 20 July to Friday 25 September
Term 4	Monday 12 October to Friday 11 December

ENGLISH ENTRY STANDARD

The school does not require a minimum standard of English. Students will be assessed on arrival and appropriate English classes provided. The school has a full range of ESOL classes from Beginners to Advanced levels. Students wishing to study for senior NCEA qualifications will need to demonstrate the required level of English language proficiency.

FEES – NZ \$12,250

(Tuition fee = NZ\$11,500 & Administration & Placement fee = NZ\$750)

- There are no extra fees for ESOL classes
- Text books are provided free of charge, returnable at the end of the year

ACCOMMODATION FEES 2009 – NZ\$9,430

Hostel or Homestay - \$205 per week. To be paid into the school bank account with Tuition Fees on acceptance of Offer of Place.

ADDITIONAL FEES PER YEAR (subject to change)

NZQA Examination fees	\$375
IELTS Examination (if required)	\$245

OTHER COSTS (Approximate Costs)

Uniform (Years 9 – 13)	\$330 + shoes
Medical & Travel Insurance	\$440
Stationery	\$100
Weekly Living Expenses	\$ 25

SUBJECT COURSE FEES (Approximate Costs)

Art – Years 11,12 & 13	\$ 50
Photography	\$100
Music	\$ 40
Design Technology	\$ 40
Scientific calculator for Maths, Physics	\$ 85
Field trips out of school, PE Camps	\$ 30 - \$160

GOODS AND SERVICES TAX

All fees are quoted in New Zealand dollars and include Goods and Services Tax (GST) where applicable.

PAYMENT OF FEES

Payment should be made by Telegraphic Transfer or Bank Draft in New Zealand dollars to:

TSB Bank Ltd, Centre Branch, New Plymouth
Account name: NPGHS Board of Trustees, Scotlands Account
Account No: 15 3953 0478250 00
Swift Code No: HSBCNZ2A

Please fax the school with the student's name, date and amount of the transfer. All tuition and administration fees must be paid for the full year and are payable in advance. The school reserves the right

to amend its fees. For the most up-to-date fees, please refer to our International School Website <http://www.npghs.com>.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES

With this completed application and student declaration you should enclose:

- A signed Tuition Contractual Agreement
- Certified copies in English of your most recent school reports
- A certified copy in English of a testimonial from your Principal of your present school or school previously attended
- Four (4) copies of your passport photo

Enrolment is subject to availability of places within the school. Places can only be confirmed by full payment of fees.

Should your application be successful, you will receive a letter of offer ('Offer of Place'). You will need to pay the year's fees before a visa will be granted. If you accept the 'Offer of Place' then this application form together with the tuition agreement shall be the terms and conditions of agreement by which your tuition shall be provided.

HEALTH SERVICES

ELIGIBILITY FOR HEALTH SERVICES

Most international students are not entitled to publicly funded health services while in New Zealand. If you receive medical treatment during your visit, you may be liable for the full costs of that treatment. Full details on entitlements to publicly funded health services are available through the Ministry of Health, and can be viewed on their website at <http://www.moh.govt.nz>

ACCIDENT INSURANCE

The Accident Compensation Corporation provides accident insurance for all New Zealand citizens, residents and temporary visitors to New Zealand, but you may still be liable for all other medical and related costs. Further information can be viewed on the ACC website at <http://www.acc.co.nz>

MEDICAL AND TRAVEL INSURANCE

International students must have appropriate and current medical and travel insurance while studying in New Zealand.

Unicare Medical and Travel Insurance will be completed by the New Plymouth Girls' High School prior to the student arriving in New Zealand. For policy information, please visit <http://www.unicare.org>

New Plymouth Girls' High School will keep a record of the student's policy number and type.

CONDITIONS OF ENROLMENT

During the time my daughter attends New Plymouth Girls' High School I agree to the following terms:

1. My daughter will obey the laws of New Zealand, attend school regularly, abide by the uniform code and accept the rules and discipline of the school, hostel, and host family. If my child were to breach this agreement, the school has the right to ask me to repatriate my daughter immediately, at my cost.
2. My daughter will hold the appropriate student visa or permit acknowledged for her study at New Plymouth Girls' High School.
3. I will pay all fees required by the school on time. I understand that my daughter will only be accepted into the school when all fees have been paid.
4. I accept the Principal, the Director of International Students, the Hostel Manager and the Homestay Hosts as the people who oversee the welfare of my daughter while she is in New Zealand. Should any problems arise, my daughter will obey the decision of the Principal or the School's Board of Trustees.
5. I take full responsibility for all debts incurred by my daughter, including telephone accounts.
6. I understand that all fees are for the school year, February to December and that my daughter is expected to return home for the Christmas/summer holidays.
7. I undertake to provide an air ticket for my daughter's return home no less than 6 weeks before departure.
8. I accept that if my daughter does not meet the course completion or attendance requirements I will be informed. If her attendance or work completion does not improve, she will be in breach of this contract and the school will have the right to repatriate her at my expense.
9. I consent to the school authorising medical treatment in the event of an emergency.
10. I have read and understood the Tuition Agreement and Refunds Policy which will apply if my daughter's application is successful

REFUND POLICY FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

SCHOOL FEES

1. If the student withdraws from her course of study before the course completion date, she may be eligible for a refund or partial refund of school fees as set out below.
2. An application for refund fees must be made in writing. The student must write to the Board of Trustees explaining why she has withdrawn from the course and her reason for seeking a refund.

3. The Board of Trustees will make no refund to a student who:
 - Is expelled or excluded from the school
 - Wishes to transfer to another school – except in exceptional circumstances
 - Has been granted Permanent Residence but did not notify the school in writing when she applied for Permanent Residence
 - Returns home for any reason other than the student's verified serious illness or death or the verified serious illness of a close member of the family – except in exceptional circumstances
4. If the student's application is made before the start of her course, her fees will be refunded in full less an administration charge to cover costs incurred by the school.
5. If the student's application is made after the start of her course, but before the second half of her course, her fees will be refunded less:
 - The administration fee
 - Costs to the school already incurred for tuition
 - Components of the fee already committed for the duration of the course, including appropriate proportions of salaries of teachers and support staff
 - Costs already incurred for the use of facilities and resources
 - The proportion of the Government Levy the school is required to pay
 - Any other costs already incurred
6. If the student's application is made after the second half of her course, she will not receive a refund except in exceptional circumstances.
7. If the student has been granted permanent residence and notified the school as above, the Board of Trustees will refund her tuition fees for any term she has not started minus the Administration Fee.
8. Applications for refunds must be made within 30 days of the student's last day at school.

HOMESTAY FEES (Based on all homestay fees paid in advance)

If the student moves out of her homestay before the end of her contract, the portion of her homestay fees not already used will be returned to her. The Homestay Arrangement, Placement or Coordination fee cannot be refunded.

FEE PROTECTION POLICY

The school separately records fees received from international students as "Fees Paid in Advance". These funds are held in the school's main bank account until such time as they have been earned. They are then recorded as revenue and are available for spending. The Board guarantees to keep sufficient funds in reserves to enable the refund of the unearned portion of fees, should the school be unable to continue the course.

Contractual Agreement

AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE TUITION SERVICES BETWEEN

NEW PLYMOUTH GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL AND THE PARENTS OF:

Name of Student: _____

Name of Parent: _____

Address of Parent: _____

1. The Parent has made application for tuition of the Student in New Zealand and wishes the Student to attend New Plymouth Girls' High School (the 'School').
2. The School has agreed to enroll the Student upon and subject to the terms and conditions hereinafter set out.

The School's Obligations

3. The School will observe and be bound by the Ministry of Education's Code of Practice for the Pastoral Care of International Students ("Code"). Copies of the Code are available on request from the school or from the Ministry of Education website at <http://www.minedu.govt.nz/goto/international>
 - 3.1. The School shall provide tuition in accordance with that accorded to domestic students
4. The School shall use its best endeavors to ensure the safety, health and well-being of the Student but shall not be liable for:
 - 4.1. Any damage or harm caused to the Student or the Student's property while attending the School
 - 4.2. Any damage or harm caused to the Student or the Student's property arising out of the Student's accommodation
 - 4.3. Any damage or harm caused to the Student or the Student's property outside normal school hours. In the case of the Student's property, shall not be responsible for any damage to such property that may occur outside the school premises.

The Parent's Obligations

5. The Parent shall:
 - 5.1. Pay to the School the tuition fees in the manner agreed to by both parties
 - 5.2. Agree to provide the school with academic, medical or other information relating to the well-being of the Student as may be requested from time to time by the school
 - 5.3. The student will accept and abide by the school's rules and all instructions given by members of staff.
 - 5.4. The students will attend school on all occasions when it is open unless prevented by illness or other urgent cause.

Authorisations

6. The parents of the Student who have signed the application for tuition on behalf of the Student irrevocably appoint and authorise the Principal of New Plymouth Girls' High School (or such other person as may be appointed by the Board of Trustees of the school) to:
 - 6.1. Receive information from any person, authority or corporate body concerning the Student including, but not limited to, medical, educational or welfare information.
 - 6.2. Provide consents in respect of any activity carried out and authorised by the school.
 - 6.3. Provide consents that may be necessary to be given on the Student's behalf in the event of a medical emergency where it is not reasonably practicable to contact the Applicant.
 - 6.4. If applicable, advise the Student's Designated Caregiver of all matters and information required to be provided to parents of any student and agree to appoint the Designated Caregiver as their agents in New Zealand to receive such information in substitution for the Applicant.
 - 6.5. To take whatever steps are necessary to ensure the Student complies with School rules and policies as set down by the School.
 - 6.6. To obtain at any time from any person or entity any information required to process and/or accept the application for tuition or to perform or complete the School's various obligations under this agreement. The Applicant authorises any such person to release to the School and personal information that person holds concerning the Student/Applicant.

Limitations of Liability

7. In no event shall the School's liability exceed an amount equal to the amount of tuition fees paid by the Applicant.

Termination

8. Either party may terminate this agreement with 5 (five) days written notice
9. Upon termination of this agreement, refunds will be made in accordance with the School's Refund Policy.

Miscellaneous

10. Nothing in this agreement limits any rights the Applicant and/or the Student may have under the Consumer Guarantee Act 1993
11. It is acknowledged that the stand-down, suspension and exclusion of student's provisions as set out in Part II of the Education Act 1989 shall apply to the Student in New Zealand. Any decision under these provisions to stand-down, suspend or exclude the Student shall terminate this agreement and the refunds policy will apply. The parents will have no claim for damages for any compensation if this agreement is terminated in these circumstances.
12. Force majeure: Neither party shall be in default or in breach of their obligations under this agreement to the extent that the performance of those obligations is prevented by an event of force majeure. Force majeure means an event beyond the reasonable control of the party seeking to rely on force majeure.
13. Governing Law: This agreement shall be construed and take effect in accordance with the domestic laws of New Zealand. In relation to any legal action or proceedings arising out of or in connection with this agreement the Applicant irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Courts of New Zealand, and agrees that proceedings may be brought before any court including any forum constituted under the Arbitration Act 1908 within New Zealand and waive any objection to proceedings in any such court or forum constituted under the Arbitration Act 1908 within New Zealand on the grounds of venue or on the grounds that the proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum.

Entire Agreement

14. This agreement shall consist of:
 - 14.1. The application for tuition in New Zealand;
 - 14.2. The Tuition Agreement including any Schedules annexed thereto (including the refund and fee protection policies and the International Student Information Booklet).
15. This agreement contains the entire understanding of the parties and overrides any prior promises, representations, understandings or agreements.
16. The terms of this agreement may be changed at any time by the School in writing to the applicant and any such change in terms shall be notified to the Applicant in writing.
 - 16.1. Notices given in writing will be given to the addresses set out in the application forms. Those sent by post shall be deemed to have been received 5 (five) days after posting.

The Privacy Act

17. The Parent acknowledges that:
 - 17.1. Personal information of the Parent and/or Student collected by the School and may be held, used and disclosed to third parties to enable the School to:
 - 17.1.1. Process the application for tuition
 - 17.1.2. Provide tuition to the Student
 - 17.1.3. Provide the Student and/or Parent with advice or information concerning products and services the School believes may be of interest to the Student and/or Parent; and
 - 17.1.4. To enable the School to communicate with the Student and/or Parent for any purpose.
 - 17.2. All personal information provided to the School will be held by the School at New Plymouth Girls' High School, 60 Northgate, Private Bag 2049, New Plymouth, New Zealand Phone: +64 (6) 757 3899 Fax: +64 (6) 757 3882. Failure to provide any information in the application for tuition may mean the School is unable to process the application.
 - 17.3. The Student and Parent/s have the right under the Privacy Act 1993 to obtain access to and request corrections of any personal information held by the School concerning them.

Execution (please sign)

I have read and understood that terms set out in this agreement, including the attached schedule and agree to them.

Signature of Student: _____

Signature of Parent: _____
(If Student is under 18 years of age)

Signature for: _____
(School)

Designation: _____

Date: _____

IMMIGRATION: Full details of visa and permit requirements, advice on rights to employment in New Zealand while studying, and reporting requirements are available through the New Zealand Immigration Service, and can be viewed on their website at <http://www.immigration.govt.nz>

MEDICAL INFORMATION

All students should have completed their Childhood Immunisation Programme before commencing secondary school. Has your daughter had the following vaccinations? (please tick)

- M.M.R (Measles, Mumps, Rubella) Hepatitis B Poliomyelitis (oral)
 Tetanus Tuberculosis Whooping Cough

Does the student suffer from any allergies? Yes No

If the answer is Yes, what allergies does she suffer from? (e.g hay fever, food allergies, pet allergies, other)

Is the student taking medication for any of the above? If so, please list

Does she suffer from any other medical condition or disability? Yes No

If the answer is Yes, please explain _____

Is she taking any medication for this? Yes No

Medication's name: _____

Does she have any difficulty with her sight? Yes No

Hearing? Yes No

Does she have any other health, dietary, physical or emotional condition(s) that we should know about?

WHERE DID YOU HEAR ABOUT NEW PLYMOUTH GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL?

(Please tick one)

- Education Agent Embassy/NZ Website Family/friends Education Centre
 Education Fair Advertising Other Students at New Plymouth Girls' High School

STUDENT AND PARENT DECLARATION (please read and sign)

- I / We confirm that the material supplied in this application is true and correct
- I / We understand that the provision of false information could lead to the enrolment being cancelled
- I / We understand that the refund of tuition fees will occur only in exceptional circumstances as set out in the Refund Policy
- I / We agree to be bound by the Tuition Agreement and Refund Policy and to ensure the student complies with the School Rules and Conditions of Enrolment

Signatures Parents: _____

Student's Signature: _____

Date: _____

If the student / parents fail to provide any information requested in this application for tuition, the School may be unable to process the application.

Please attach
four (4)
passport
photos here

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