



TOKANUI School

RESPECT INTEGRITY COMMUNITY EXCELLENCE

EOTC POLICY

Purpose:

The Board aims to enhance social, emotional and physical development in all curriculum areas, through relevant and enjoyable learning experiences beyond the normal classroom environment.

Objectives:

- Encourage student learning through first hand experiences outside the normal classroom environment
- Increase confidence, independence and responsibility through meeting challenges and taking appropriate risks
- Increase knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the school area, local district and unfamiliar places
- Develop an attitude and awareness of personal safety and the safety of others
- Assist in social development through meaningful interactions with others

Guidelines:

- EOTC should enhance learning and development
- Experiences outside the classroom should be provided at all age levels
- EOTC experiences should be inclusive and accessible to all students and meaningful activities must be provided for any students unable to attend
- Legal ratios for all EOTC activities should be adhered to
- Risks associated with EOTC activities must be identified, minimised and managed according to current EOTC guidelines for best practice
- The BOT, as PCBU* must ensure the safety of students, staff and parents involved in EOTC, so far as is reasonably practicable
- Associated risk management paperwork must be completed and approved by the Principal or Board prior to undertaking EOTC programmes
- Written permission must be sought from the caregivers of all students
- Staff should be adequately trained and experienced before undertaking EOTC activities
- Safe transport practices must be adhered to
- Parents involved in EOTC must be aware of the Parental Involvement Procedures

Related Procedures

In order to meet these requirements Tokanui school will develop and implement procedures for:

- Parental involvement
- Safe transport
- Risk management

Review

This policy will be reviewed annually by the Board in accordance with its self-reviewing timetable

Chairperson: Date: June 2021