



MANGAKAHIA AREA SCHOOL TE KURA TAKIWA O MANGAKAHIA

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SPORT

LEGISLATION

Health and Safety

LEOTC

Equity

Vulnerable Childrens Act 2014

This policy should be read in conjunction with the Hillary Commission Junior Sport Policy – Moving through Sport

Memorandum of Understanding with He Matariki Teen Parent Unit

This policy to be read in conjunction with the requirements of the EOTC Policy for sporting experiences which take place outside of school grounds.

FOCUS:

This school promotes the belief that participation in sport and physical activities provides enormous benefits towards the holistic wellbeing of staff and students.

“Sport teaches the values of teamwork, leadership, perseverance, commitment and dedication, whilst providing the opportunity for all to savour the thrill of achievement.

Sport exposes young people to the pleasures of victory and the disappointment of loss and gives lessons in how to handle both.

” We aim to provide opportunities for students and staff to participate and achieve in sport and physical activity regardless of their ability, age, cultural or economic background.”

The school, adopts the KiwiSport philosophy that includes, providing quality sport and physical activity for children through the use of modified adult games, equipment and rules with an emphasis on fun and challenge.

Putting Young People First – Hillary Commission 1997

The school actively promotes and fully embraces the philosophies of sportsmanship and fair play.

For the purposes of this Policy, the **Sports Department** means any staff member, coach, manager, or member of the community responsible for the organisation of a sport under the auspices of Mangakahia Area School.

PURPOSES:

1. To provide a medium through which students can achieve through participation in competitive and non competitive sport and physical activity, that will cater for the varied needs of students

(beginner to expert, disabled and disadvantaged)

2. To provide a means by which students may contribute to the school and their peers by assisting in their development as valuable citizens and identification with school spirit.
3. To encourage students to make informed decisions about their own involvement and development in sport and recreation.
4. To provide students with leadership opportunities and promote positive role models.
5. To provide opportunities to develop skills in a range of sporting & physical activities.
6. To promote relationships between the school and the community and foster relationships within the school i.e. students, staff and parents.
7. To encourage sports values such as Fair Play, Teamwork, Determination
8. To recognise and utilise sport and physical activity as a major contributor to the requirements of the Health and Physical Education Curriculum

The above policy was reviewed and mandated by the Board of Trustees on 18th October 2016
This policy is next to be reviewed during Term 3 2017

Chairman of the Board of Trustees: *R Cocks.* (signature)
Rachel Cocks

PROCEDURES:

1. Mangakahia Area School fully endorses the principles of the Hillary Commission's * Junior Sport Policy – Moving through Sport. (**Now Sport and Recreation New Zealand*)
2. It is expected that students, staff and parents will contribute to the conduct of sports activities. However, participation in them will be voluntary.
3. All students who represent Mangakahia Area School in sport will be under the supervision of a staff member or an approved person.
4. All students who represent Mangakahia Area School are expected to behave in an appropriate manner as set out in the Mangakahia Area School rules.
5. All students are required to wear appropriate safety gear when playing sport.
6. Students are free to choose whether to play for a school team or any other. However, where there is a school team and a student chooses not to support it, eligibility and/or consideration for School Sports Awards could be jeopardised.
7. It is appropriate that some school time should be devoted to sports activities. It would be best if these were aimed at mass-participation for enjoyment rather than mainly competitive, e.g. inter-house activities. However, time must also be available to find specific code Championship winners.
8. As wide a group of students as practicable should have the opportunity to represent the school in inter-school events, including WPSSA, NSSSA, North Island and New Zealand Secondary Schools events, regardless of ability, gender, race or financial circumstances
9. There will be school funds budgeted to assist in the conduct of sport. Sports codes will apply for funding from the Sports budget overseen by the Sports Co-ordinator.
10. Students representing Mangakahia Area School in sports teams will be expected to pay fees to the school for items that are not part of the code's sports budget.
11. Every endeavour will be made to formally recognise both participation and performance in sport. This includes sport that is offered outside of Mangakahia Area School but involves Mangakahia Area School students. This is to be achieved through regular assemblies, school newsletters and the local newspaper.
12. Volunteers are an important part of sport at Mangakahia Area School. Every endeavour will be made to recognise volunteer involvement and to provide training opportunities.
13. No sports team will represent Mangakahia Area School without the knowledge of the Sports Co-ordinator and the Principal
14. All teams that represent Mangakahia Area School will have a staff member contact.
15. Any student taking part in an EOTC activity under the direct supervision of an outside body e.g. OPC, NZASA Sports etc will be made known to the Board of Trustees via the Principal.
16. All EOTC requirements will apply to all teams that represent Mangakahia Area School. (*see related policies*)
16. The Sports Department will maintain, allocate and repair sports uniforms and equipment for students representing Mangakahia Area School. This will be done with equity in relation to gender or disability.

- 17 Staff will be provided with appropriate training in the running of our programme and encouraged to pursue professional development in the effective delivery of sport.
- 18 The Sports Department will aim to:
- Make sport fun
 - Encourage participation by every student in as wide a range of activities as possible
 - Provide opportunities for students with disabilities
 - Provide positive role modelling for girls
 - Provide positive role modelling for boys
 - Promote and develop quality sport for students
 - Make sport accessible and easier to play
 - Provide access to good quality coaching
 - Promote community involvement
 - Provide access to quality training for volunteers
 - Promote coaching qualifications
 - Promote and recognise values of Fair Play through the implementation of the Fair Play promotional plan
 - Establish sporting partnerships between the school and community sport
 - Make available a range of sports equipment for student use outside of class time
 - Provide leadership opportunities for students within sport
- 19 The Sports Department will promote programmes and resources made available by the Sport and Recreational New Zealand and Sport Northland, in particular:
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| KiwiSport | Growing Leaders |
| Kiwi/Totally Outdoors | Sport Leader |
| Sports Education | Coaches Count |
| Fair Play | Sports Choice |
- 20 The Sports Department recognises the contribution of Sport in the Health and Physical Education curriculum. Sports Education and the benefits of regular exercise will be included as an integral part of the school's Health & Physical Education Programme.