
Position Description**Teacher, Hornby High School**

Name	
Role	Teacher
Reports to	Matt Vannoort DP
Direct Reports	Nil
Working Relationships	<i>External:</i> Whanau, Community, Ministry of Education, Associations <i>Internal:</i> Board of Trustees, Principal, Senior Leaders, Middle Leaders, Teachers, Support Staff and Students.

Employment Status:

Employment Status	Part time fixed term	Commences: Monday 20 July 2026 until end of term 4, 2026
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Introduction

The following are the duties and responsibilities as delegated by the Principal consistent with the goals and objectives of the School's strategic plan.

Purpose of the position

Teachers are responsible to the Principal for curriculum delivery, curriculum content, assessment of student progress, reporting to parents and other delegated responsibilities at the discretion of the Principal. This Job Description sets out teachers' duties and responsibilities and forms the reference point for the teachers professional growth

Accountability

All teachers are accountable to the Principal, who is responsible to the Hornby High School Board of Trustees for the performance of all staff.

Extent of Authority

1. Teachers operate within legal requirements, the School's strategic plan, policy and procedures.
2. Each teacher is responsible for the welfare and education of children and classes assigned by the Principal, and for any other duties delegated by the principal.

Work Relationships:

Teachers:

1. Give priority to ensuring the well-being and educational achievements of their pupils.
2. Work effectively as members of a staff team.
3. Have positive relationships with parents/Whānau.
4. Help to promote the best interests and good image of the school.

Professional Responsibilities & Standards

All teachers are required to meet The Code of Professional Responsibility and Standards for the Teaching Profession as described in *Our Code Our Standards* (Education Council, NZ)

STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES

Part A: Generic Responsibilities

Every teacher is expected to take a full part in the general life, activities and work of the school and is expected to professionally engage in, and meet, the following generic responsibilities.

Responsibility	Expected Outcome
Teacher Professional Standards	Every teacher will meet their appropriate professional standards as described by the Ministry of Education and the Education Council NZ.
School Strategic Plan / Annual Plan	Every teacher will meet the commitments and obligations of the Hornby High School strategic plan (vision, values, goals, policies and procedures).
School-Wide Initiatives & Priorities	Every teacher will support, develop and implement HHS Board of Trustees-approved school-wide initiatives and priorities.
Code of Professional Responsibilities	Every teacher will meet the high standards for ethical behaviour that are required by the New Zealand Teachers Council.

Part B: Specific Responsibilities

Every teacher will have specific roles and responsibilities that make their position unique within the school. The table below identifies those specific roles and responsibilities for your job, together with the expectations the school has for their successful achievement.

Responsibility	Expected Outcome
Homeroom or Classroom (Where appropriate)	Teach classes ranging from year 7 to 13 as timetabled.
Professional knowledge	Demonstrate competence in the relevant curriculum. Demonstrate a sound knowledge of current learning and assessment theory. Demonstrate sound knowledge of current issues and initiatives in education.
Professional development	Demonstrate a commitment to their own ongoing learning Participate individually and collaboratively in professional development activities. Continue to develop an understanding of the Treaty of Waitangi.
Teaching techniques	Plan and use appropriate teaching programmes, strategies, learning activities and assessments. Demonstrate flexibility in a range of effective teaching techniques. Make use of appropriate technologies and resources Impart subject content effectively.

	Evaluate and reflect on teaching techniques and strategies with a view to improvement.
Student management	Manage student behaviour effectively. Establish constructive relationships with students. Be responsive to individual student needs. Develop and maintain a positive and safe physical and emotional environment. Create an environment that encourages respect and understanding. Maintain a purposeful working environment.
Motivation of students	Engages students positively in learning. Establish expectations that value and promote learning.
Te Reo Maori	Continue to develop understanding and skills in the appropriate usage and accurate pronunciation of Te Reo Māori.
Effective communication	Communicate clearly and effectively in either or all three of the official languages of New Zealand. Provide appropriate feedback to students. Communicate effectively with families, whanau, and caregivers.
Support for and cooperation with colleagues	Maintain effective working relationships with colleagues. Support and help colleagues in improving teaching and learning through collaboration and support.
Contribution to wider school activities	Contribute positively to the life of the school and its community.
Professional Development and Review	Each teacher is expected to set professional goals and participate in the HHS cycles of inquiry as part of a professional growth cycle. To undertake a review of one's own practice and adjust teaching practices accordingly.
Other Duties	Any other duties the Principal may require from time to time

Approved by Principal:	Iain Murray
Date approved:	4/2/2025
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Acceptance of Appointee:	