



Motueka High School

Te Kura Tuarua o Motueka

Today's Learners, Tomorrow's Leaders

Opportunities

2024

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There is a wide range of opportunities for students at Motueka High School. As well as our outstanding number of scholarships, there are many leadership roles and forums as well as a large range of extra-curricular activities.

Scholarships: Motueka High School awards a range of scholarships each year, totalling more than \$80,000, including five \$8,000 (subject to change) Kina Beach Scholarships generously donated by the estate of Muriel Sterling.

Year 8 - Emerging Talent Scholarships: Fees/Uniform, Stationery

Year 13 - Kina Beach Scholarships: 5 x \$8,000 Criteria: Work to potential, attend Motueka High School for 3 years, studying towards tertiary qualification

ITM Sports Performance Scholarship: Up to \$2,500 towards sports fees

McKee Trust Tertiary Scholarship: \$2,000 a year for 3 years

NMIT Scholarship \$1,000

Pethybridge Scott Rotary Youth Trust Scholarships \$1,000 (up to 3 awarded)

Manoy Trust Scholarship: \$3,000

Rowling Educational Scholarship: \$3,000

Riwaka Educational Scholarship: \$2,000

Safe and Sound Scholarship \$500

Shirley Hobson Riwaka Scholarship For students living in Riwaka \$4,000

Sir Wallace Rowling Memorial Scholarship \$3,000

Abel Tasman Educational Scholarship

AH Dawson \$500 at least two awarded annually

Network Tasman

Prime Minister's Vocational Excellence Award \$2,000

NMIT Citizenship Award \$1,000

Leadership roles

Leadership development is a major strength of Motueka High School and we actively nurture the potential of our students. There are 20 designated Captains or Head Student roles in Year 13 and many opportunities to lead and participate in groups and forums such as Student Council that are open to everyone.

Each year volunteers are sought for leadership roles in the Breakfast Club, the Youth4Youth Mentoring Programme and Rev up Respect Week. Every year there is the opportunity for a student to become a Board of Trustees representative by the

nomination and election process. Students at any year level can join the Environmental Action Groups or apply to be an Abel Tasman Youth Ambassador.

Arts Opportunities

Students can participate in exhibitions held during the year: in June for Matariki and in October students can make a mask for the Nelson Masked Parade. During December there are Activities days in which Arts students can paint murals, etc.

Building and Construction Trades Academy

Students interested in building, construction and related trades may be eligible. It is based on strong partnerships with industry and is designed to support students into apprenticeships and future careers. Students take part in classes as per normal at school and will gain experience out in industry one day per week. Students are expected to have achieved Level 1 NCEA and have an excellent record of attendance and attitude. Places are limited, entry is via application form and interview.

Dance Opportunities

Dance is a subject available to all year levels and students can enter the school Dance production 'Momentum' at the Motueka Memorial Hall and the combined secondary school Dance festival 'Vast' held at the Theatre Royal in Nelson.

Drama Opportunities

Open to all levels, students can join the Theatre Sports groups and the Drama Club that meets weekly; participate in the annual Shakespeare Festival; perform during the year and in biannual productions. Students can also assist backstage and learn about Make-up, Costume or be part of the school's Sound and Lighting crew.

Maths Opportunities

Students are encouraged to participate in: University of Otago Junior Mathematics Competition (for Y9 – Y11 students), Australian Mathematics Competition (for all year groups), Casio Victoria University Senior Mathematics Competition for Y11 to Y13). Students may be selected for the annual Nelsomathix competition which is a team-based competition for Y7 to Y10 students against other schools in the top of the south. Capable senior Mathematics students are encouraged to support the school and other learners by offering themselves as lunch-time tutors.

Music Opportunities

Under the Itinerant Music Scheme, the Music department provides individual and group tuition in woodwind, brass, guitar and singing. There is a selection of brass and woodwind instruments which students may hire from the school. There are also tutors who offer private lessons in drumming, piano, singing and violin.

The department is fortunate to have several practice studios which provide a base for the large number of students who receive instrumental and/or vocal tuition. Extra-curricular music activities include the Motueka Singers choir, an auditioned choir: Suono Bellissimo, Senior Band, Junior Jazz Band, Jazz Band, Jazz Combo, and Chamber groups. Students also create their own bands and can book rooms for rehearsals. These groups are keenly supported by students and perform in school concerts and in the wider community.

Science Opportunities

Students in all year levels are encouraged to participate in the Cawthron Science and Technology Fair, the Royal Society of New Zealand and the Big Science competition. Students may be invited to participate in the Brain Bee in Dunedin.

Sports

Motueka High School is committed to promoting and encouraging participation and excellence in our sporting students in recreational or competitive sports. We provide exciting opportunities for our students with our facilities here at school including – gymnasium, fitness centre, dance studio, swimming pool, new multi-purpose artificial sports turf and fields for cricket, rugby, and football.

We have an annual Sports Exchange with Buller High School in Westport, and the student sports committee promotes and encourages participation for all students to enjoy lunchtime activities. This gives students an opportunity to participate and have fun in a non-competitive way. We encourage school spirit by holding our School Sports Day early in the year and School Championships are held for Athletics, Swimming and Cross Country. At the completion of the school year, a Sports Prizegiving is held to celebrate the success of our sporting students.

Motueka High School has an impressive record of success in sporting competitions at local, regional, and national levels. We have a proud history of New Zealand Representatives in both individual and team sports. Our Sport Co-ordinator can be emailed at sport@motuekahigh.school or phone: 035289050 ext 8225.

Uniform Services Trades Academy

The Uniform Services Trades Academy started in 2017. Whenua iti Outdoors run this program for senior students over four week-long blocks throughout the year. It enables students to explore career pathways such as Search and Rescue, Coastguard, Emergency Services or Armed Forces. Students also learn sea survival skills, emergency services, search and rescue and civil defence training and gain credits during the course that contribute to NCEA Level 2 & 3.