



Briefing Note: 5th July 2022 Youth Advisory Group Meeting

To:	Hon Chris Hipkins, Minister of Education		
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Purpose of Report

The purpose of this paper is to provide you with information on your upcoming meeting with the Youth Advisory Group (YAG). This meeting is taking place on Tuesday 5 July.

This is the first meeting for 2022 and will have four of the five new members attending.

Recommended Actions

We recommend that you:

- note** the agenda in Annex 1 of this Briefing Note and that you are meeting with the YAG at 1:30pm – 2:30pm on 5 July 2022.
- note** the run sheet in Annex 2 of this Briefing Note.
- note** the biographies of the members in Annex 3 of this Briefing Note.
- agree** that the Ministry of Education release this briefing in full once it has been considered by you.

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Agree / Disagree.



Rose Jamieson
Parent Information and Community Intelligence

01/07/2022



Hon Chris Hipkins
Minister of Education

5 / 7 / 2022

July 2022 Meeting

1. We've attached the agenda for the July 2022 meeting in Annex 1. We welcome your feedback.

The key focus areas for the meeting are:

- a. Whakawhanaungatanga – Welcoming new members to the group and establishing a working relationship with one another.
 - b. Machinery of government – An information session to help members gain an understanding of our system of government and the relationship between the Ministry of Education and Parliament.
 - c. How to engage with young people – To seek the YAG's opinion on the best way for Government to engage with youth. As part of Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet's (DPMC) Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy.
 - d. A Curriculum Vision for young people – To update the members on progress on the Curriculum Vision. Identifying what attributes, skills and knowledge future citizens of Aotearoa need to be active in society.
2. The YAG will meet with you on Tuesday 5 July from 1:30pm – 2:30pm. The meeting is in your Ministerial Office, Parliament, Wellington. Jordan Hunt, facilitator, and Kenya Leong, secretariat, and Luke Kelly, content creator will also attend.
 3. Your run sheet is attached in Annex 2. Biographies of the members of YAG 2022 are attached in Annex 3.

Apologies:

4. One member (Humaira Khan) is an apology for this meeting.

Youth Advisory Group Meeting Agenda DAY 1

Date:	Tuesday 5 July 2022		
Time:	8:45am – 6:00pm		
Venue:	Thorndon Seminar Room, Tiakiwai Conference Centre, 70 Molesworth St		
YAG members:	Caelan Harris, Daisy Tumataroa, Harlow Tran-Lawrence, Jayden van Dyk, Rei Denee, Tanin Cain, Harshinni Nayyar, Te Atamihi Papa, Malakai Tahaafe, Eniselini Ali		
Apologies:	Humaira Khan		
Facilitator:	Jordan Hunt		
Secretariat:	Kenya Leong, Parent & Community Information, PICI		
Time	Owner	Details	Duration
8:30am – 9.00am	Jordan	Health and Safety & House Keeping <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Media</i> - <i>Confidentiality</i> - <i>Taxi Chits and Expectations</i> - <i>Representative of Minister while at Hotel and anyplace having hui</i> - <i>What to do if issues arise</i> - <i>Terms of Reference Recap</i> 	30 min
9:00am – 9:15am	Sean Teddy	Welcome from Te Pae Aronui Hautū	15 min
9:15am – 9:45am	Jordan	Social Contract	30 min
9:45am – 11:15 am	Jordan	Whakawhanaungatanga	1 hr 30 min
11:15am – 11:45am	Jordan	2022 reset & priorities (working morning tea)	30 min
11:45am – 12:15pm	Jordan	Preparation for meeting with the Minister	30 min
12:15pm – 1:10pm		Working lunch	55 min
1:10pm – 1:30pm		Travel to Parliament/Getting through security	20 min

1:30pm – 2:30pm	Minister Hipkins	Meeting with Minister Hipkins	1 hr
2:30pm – 3:15pm		Parliament Tour	45 min
3:15pm – 3:30pm		Transport back to Ministry	15 min
3:30pm – 4:00pm		Afternoon tea	30 min
4:00pm – 4:30pm	Jordan	Day one wrap up	30 min
6pm		Dinner at accommodation	

Youth Advisory Group

Meeting Agenda

DAY 2

Date:	Wednesday 6 July 2022		
Time:	8:45am – 2:30pm		
Venue:	Te Wharewaka – Mokopuna room		
YAG members:	Caelan Harris, Daisy Tumataroa, Harlow Tran-Lawrence, Jayden van Dyk, Rei Denee, Tanin Cain, Harshinni Nayyar, Te Atamihi Papa, Malakai Tahaafe, Eniselini Ali		
Apologies:	Humaira Khan		
Presenters:	Gabrielle Tully (DPMC) – Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy Amelia Handscomb-Laing (MOE) - Te Poutāhū (Curriculum Centre)		
Facilitator:	Jordan Hunt		
Secretariat:	Kenya Leong, Parent & Community Information, PICI		
Time	Owner	Details	Duration
8:45am – 9:00am	Jordan	Welcome	15 min
9:00am – 10:30am	Gabrielle Tully	DPMC – Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy	1 hr 30 min
10:30am – 10:45am	Morning Tea		15 min
10:45am – 11:45am	Gabrielle Tully	DPMC – Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy	1 hr
11:45am – 12:15pm	Jordan Hunt	Session wrap up and key messages	30 min
12:15pm – 1:00pm	Lunch		45 min
1:00pm – 2:00pm	Amelia Handscomb-Laing	Curriculum refresh team update	1 hr
2:00pm – 2:15pm	Jordan	Session wrap up	15 min
2:30pm	End of hui - Leave for airport (Afternoon tea to take)		15 min

Annex 2: Runsheet for meeting with YAG

RUNSHEET: Minister Hipkins Ministerial Youth Advisory Meeting

Date & time:	Tuesday 5 July 2022 1:30pm – 2.30pm		
Venue:	Minister Hipkin's Ministerial Office, Parliament		
Minister:	Minister Hipkins		
YAG:	Caelan Harris	Harshinni Nayyar	Malakai Tahaafe
	Te Atamihi Papa	Tanin Cain	Eniselini Ali
	Rei Dennee	Jayden van Dyk	Daisy Tumataroa
	Harlow Tran-Lawrence		
Ministry:	Kenya Leong (secretariat)	Luke Kelly (photographer)	Jordan Hunt (facilitator)
Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• This is on day one of the Ministerial Youth Advisory Group (YAG) meeting.• Introductions.• Sharing what your priorities for the year are, and for YAG to share their focus areas with you.		

Time	Description
1:30 – 2:00pm	Your discussion with the YAG will be a meet and greet. You'll get to know new members. This includes: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Introductions2. Your priorities for the upcoming year3. What the YAG members hope to achieve this year4. You may wish to discuss what your expectations of the YAG are YAG facilitator, Jordan Hunt, will be there to support conversations.
2:00-2:25pm	Wrap up meeting, final thoughts Group photo of YAG members with you
2:30pm	Meeting ends and YAG depart

Annex 3: Biographies of YAG 2021

New Members

Te Atamihi Papa, 14, Otorohanga



Ko Tainui te waka
Noo Waikato-Maniapoto
Noo Ngaati Koroki-Kahukura me Ngaati
Pou Rahui ahau.

Kia ora, my name is Te Atamihi Vivienne Papa. I'm 15 and a year 12 student at Te Wharekura o Maniapoto. I'm a kahika (prefect) at my kura and am a co-student representative to our Board of Trustees.

I have been brought up and enriched in my maori culture through the Kiingitanga. Returning regularly to my marae, to Kiingitanga events, attending Kohanga Reo, Kura Kaupapa and Wharekura has enabled me to embrace all cultures and communities in Aotearoa.

It is my hope that rangatahi can provide fresh and vibrant ideas, such as including maramataka maori (lunar calendar), and trying to include maori philosophy in the way we teach so that it remains relevant in our world.

I'm grateful for the opportunity to be included in the Minister's Youth Advisory Group. I hope to use this opportunity to connect with others and create more ideas for the betterment of the education system.

“Ko te manu e kai i te miro, noona te ngaahere. Ko te manu e kai i te maatauranga noona te ao.”

“The forest birds partake of the miro berries, but the birds that partake of education, theirs is the world.”

Harshinni Nayyar, 15, Whangārei



Namaste/Kia Ora,
My name is Harshinni. Harshinni means bringing a smile; that is what I love doing. I am a Year 11 student attending Whangarei Girls High School. I am blessed to have a twin to share my successes and failures. I am 15 years old, have lived in three diverse countries, and studied in seven private, charter and state schools. I am fortunate to have enjoyed an enriching experience with contrasting education systems and social and cultural values. Although, as an Indian and gifted learner, I have faced challenges and obstacles in my learning path. However, these challenges assisted me to gain resilience and perseverance. I am passionate about promoting progressive changes to the educational environment where we are proud to be ourselves regardless of gender, ethnicity and race.

I am excited to join the YAG team and appreciate the opportunity to become the voice of new immigrant students in NZ so that their learning experience is positive and worthwhile.

Eniselini Ali, 17, Auckland (via regional Ministry YAG representation)



Malo e Lelei, my name is Eniselini Ali, I am 17 years of age and a year 12 attending Marcellin College in Auckland. A little bit about myself; I am a proud daughter of Tongan immigrants and the first generation in my entire family to be born and raised in Aotearoa. I enjoy any literature subjects, performing arts (specifically joining cultural groups), and I have a strong passion for studying law and international politics in the University of Auckland after next year. The main reason why I want to join the National Advisory Group is because I have many relatives who are yet to reach NCEA, and I hope to see them strive for success and excellence in the hands of an education system that supports and caters to their academic needs. Not only do I hope for my family members to gain such support, but for all the future learners and successors of New Zealand.

With having the privilege to be educated in Aotearoa, I have a strong passion in changing the way our education system caters to its students; more specifically the BIPOC youth community financially, academically, mentally and spiritually. The main issues I am personally targeting are the importance of mental health, subjects that allow students who balance work and school (especially through the disruptions of covid) to be able to gain credits and have a flexible schedule that caters to their education and to their families needs. I also want to improve/implement better funding catering for updated resource books and practical materials for students attending low decile high schools, so every high school gives an equal amount of learning opportunities regarding every student's academic possibilities. All these issues have been brought to my attention from my own personal experiences, and I hope that when I am able to work alongside such a powerful youth group, we as a country can bring forth better learning opportunities for the upcoming generation of young learners.

I want to thank the Minister of Education, the Auckland Youth Advisory Group, my family and my people for getting me to where I am now. I hope that the ideas and changes we put forward as a group will inspire at least 1 student to make big moves regardless of what they have to say and wherever their voices are shared. I also hope that in taking this step, I become a vessel to all the young learners of Aotearoa and the Pacific and become a better leader and student for my people and those that are yet to come.

'aupito, 'Otua 'ofa 'atu.

Humaira Khan, 16, Auckland

Humaira is an Asian and Bangladeshi female attending Zayed College in Auckland. Zayed College is a State Integrated Special Character Islamic School for Girls. She previously attended Al-Madinah School and is interested to bring her experience from both of these schools. Humaira is hoping to help students develop and grow into better people.

(Photo not yet available)

Malakai Tahaafe, 17, Christchurch



Ko Whetumatarau tōku Maunga,
Ko Awatere tōku awa,
Ko Ngāti Porou tōku iwi,
Ko Horouta tōku waka,
Ko Te Whanau a Hinerupe tōku Hapū,
Ko Hinerupe tōku Marae,
Ko Rongomaitapui tōku Wharekai,
No Ōtautahi Ahau,
Ko Malakai 'ilamekiteau Tahaafe tōku ingoa,

Kia ora, my name is Malakai and I am a Year 12 student attending Christchurch Boys' High School in Christchurch. I am Samoan, Tongan, and Māori, and have advocated for ways to help Māori and Pacific students in school with their learning. I am proud of my heritage and believe that school should be a welcoming environment where everyone can feel safe and can have the necessary tools to thrive in school. I am very honored to have been selected for this YAG and cannot wait to help make a change in our education!

Existing members

Caelan Harris, 18, Hamilton (via regional Ministry YAG representation)



Hello, my name is Caelan and I am 18 years old. I live just outside of Hamilton on a large lifestyle block with my family of 5. I have been home educated from the age of 6 and I believe this gives me a unique point of view to contribute to YAG.

I have battled with Juvenile Arthritis for most of my growing up years which has built in me maturity, compassion, and empathy. I am heavily involved in the Para Sporting community – training competitively for Athletics as a thrower, volunteering with Parafed Waikato, and working as a Learn to Swim Instructor. Through the St John Youth Program, I've had many opportunities to learn new leadership skills and have been able to put them into practice through volunteering at my local Christian camp during the holidays as a Senior Leader.

I've been involved with the Ministry of Education in an advisory role for many years at a regional level. I am excited to come back for a second year with the Ministerial YAG. In 2022, I am beginning my studies of a Bachelor of Design majoring in Communication Design at the University of Waikato.

Jayden van Dyk, 15, Hamilton



Hi, my name is Jayden van Dyk. I'm 15 and I live in Hamilton.

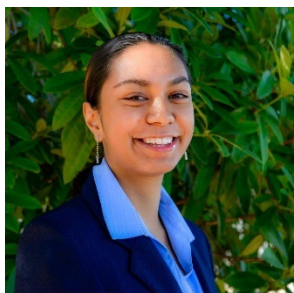
I have been fortunate enough to have attended a small rural high-decile primary school and a low-decile small middle school in the city where I was deputy head boy. In 2022 I'll be a Year 12 student at Fairfield College.

I have an ultra-rare genetic disorder KBG syndrome that has meant I have needed specialist support in education at different times. But I've

never let that be an excuse not to fully participate in everything and sport is my equaliser where I'm just like any other 15-year-old boy.

I believe my experiences in different types of schooling allow me to be an asset to the Youth Advisory Group and I enjoy being able to have an impact.

Daisy Tumataroa, 17, Taumarunui



Ko Ruapehu te maunga
Ko Makotuku te awa
Ko Aotea te waka
Ko Raetihi te tūrangawaewae
Ko Te Puke me Mangamingi ngā marae
Ko Te Āti Haunui-a-Pāpārangī me Ngāti Rangi me Uenuku ngā iwi
Ko Daisy Tumataroa tōku ingoa

Kia ora, my name is Daisy Jae Tumataroa and I am a Year 13 student attending Taumarunui High School. I am a prefect and the student representative of our school board.

I was born and raised in small-town Raetihi in the central North Island near Mount Ruapehu. I am a curious person who enjoys obtaining new knowledge from pretty much anything. I have a passion for using my voice and fighting for what's right. I have a strong belief that education is the key to empowering people.

At Taumarunui High School we use an innovative big picture learning model and I enjoy putting forward new ideas and opinions for the future improvement of our educational system.

I am so thankful and blessed for the opportunity that has been given to me as a member of the Ministerial Youth Advisory Group and I look forward to the achievements of our team in 2022.

Rei Dene, 18, Wellington



My name is Rei, this will be my second year as part of the YAG for 2022. I am a trans, autistic, disabled young person who highly values education and community. I'm grateful to be contributing to discussions that can further the support for people like me in our schools.

While I am very passionate about learning, I have consistently struggled with and been let down by the education systems in place. I intend to help create a flexible school environment where everyone has the opportunity to grow and be reliably supported. Working with the Youth Advisory Group has helped me feel heard in a way I've never experienced before. Acting as a voice for my community is where I know I'm meant to be.

I am so excited to continue this work in 2022 with new and old members and help build a better learning environment for young people in Aotearoa.

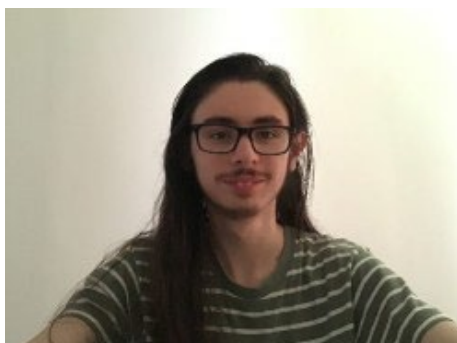
Harlow Tran-Lawrence, 17, Taranaki



My name is Harlow Tran-Lawrence and in 2022 I'll be located in Auckland, studying Global Studies at Auckland University. I am queer nonbinary and of mixed and Vietnamese descent.

I graduated Spotswood College in Taranaki during 2021 and have a strong background in rainbow advocacy and working with queer youth. My areas of passion focus on inclusivity of minority communities, mental health and LGBT+, POC and BIPOC issues. I've had the privilege of being a part of the YAG for two years and am excited to carry my mahi through into 2022 for my last year in the group.

Tanin Cain, 16, Auckland



Hi, my name is Tanin. I'm 16, I'm NZ Māori/European and live in South Auckland. Last year at school was a bit bumpy but I found my feet towards the end. I've always struggled in state schools, they don't quite fit with how my brain works. I'm really looking forward to this year – I will be home schooling with my younger brothers and doing part-time Te Kura. My goal is to be a game developer, which I will be focusing on heavily this year. YAG is exciting, our voices are heard and I feel like we're making a real difference..

Maru Taiaki, 18, Paraparaumu



Ko Tokomaru tōku waka
Ko Kapakapanui ko Tararua ōku tūpuna mouna
Ka ngahae ngā pī, ko Waikanae tōku awa
Ko Te Atiawa tōku iwi
Ko Waikanae tōku marae
Ko Whakarongotai tōku whare
Ko Maru Taiaki ahau e mihi ana
Tēnā koutou katoa.

Kia ora, my name is Maru Taiaki, of Te Atiawa, Ngāti Tūwharetoa, Ngāti Kurī, Ngāti Whātua and Te Atihaunui-ā-Pāpārangī descent.

Born and raised on the Kāpiti Coast, I am a first-year young Māori student at Victoria University, and this is my third-year in the YAG 2022. As a graduate of Māori-medium and English-medium education I am passionate about every young person enjoying education and achieving success, especially for Māori.

I enjoy all sports, speaking and learning te reo Māori and performing kapa haka.