



23 December 2020





Thank you for your email of 11 November 2020 to the Ministry of Education requesting the following information:

 The official number of recorded school lockdowns nationwide in 2020 and exactly which school they were actioned within also nationwide.

Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

The Ministry of Education does not keep an official record of lockdowns, as these are generally initiated by the Police or by the schools themselves. Principals are responsible for the day-to-day operation of their schools and are not required to report lockdowns to the Ministry. In some cases, we become aware of lockdowns through media reports, or are notified so we can assist Police to lock down schools or provide assistance such as traumatic incident support directly to schools.

You may wish to read the KPMG review that we commissioned following the 15 March 2019 lockdown. The review identified opportunities for improvement for the sector to act on in order to strengthen future responses should a similar event occur. The full review is accessible at:

15 March 2019 Christchurch Lockdown Review Education in New Zealand

We have also worked with early learning and school sector representatives and the New Zealand Police to review and update the emergency planning guidance that supports their emergency management plans, including lockdowns. Guidance for parents and caregivers has been drafted and will be released in Term 1 2021.

I am providing you with a list of schools that have been involved in lockdowns that the Ministry has been made aware of (**Appendix A**). Some schools share the same date as they are the result of an incident affecting multiple schools. Please note that this is not an exhaustive list of school lockdowns in 2020 for the reasons mentioned above, and for more information on Police initiated lockdowns, you may wish contact the New Zealand Police.

Please note, the Ministry now proactively publishes responses under the Act on our website. We may publish this response on our website after five working days. Your name and contact details will be removed.

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Thank you again for your email. You have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review this decision. You can do this by writing to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Nāku noa, nā

Katrina Casey
Deputy Secretary

Sector Enablement and Support

Date	School Name	School	Region
		Number	
19 June 2020	Don Buck School	1262	Auckland
19 June 2020	Hobsonville School	1314	Auckland
19 June 2020	Massey High School	43	Auckland
	Massey Primary School	1363	Auckland
19 June 2020	Royal Road School	1476	Auckland
19 June 2020	St Paul's School (Massey)	1643	Auckland
19 June 2020	West Harbour School	1566	Auckland
19 June 2020	Westbridge Residential School	4157	Auckland
19 June & 2	Lincoln Heights	1341	Auckland
November 2020			
July 2020	Hare Krishna School		Auckland
23 September 2020	Kelvin Road Schoo	1332	Auckland
2 November 2020	Otahuhu Intermediate	1408	Auckland
3 November 2020	Kelston Boys' High School		Auckland
3 November 2020	Kelston Girls' College	84	Auckland
3 November 2020	Kelston Intermediate	1330	Auckland
3 November 2020	St Leonards Road School	1499	Auckland
4 November 2020	Botany Downs Secondary College	6930	Auckland
5 November 2020	Orakei School	1402	Auckland
16 November 2020	Mayfield School	1369	Auckland
22 & 23 October	Tomarata School	1115	Auckland
2020			
	Kawerau Putauaki School		Bay of Plenty
27 May 2020	Kawerau South School		Bay of Plenty
	Tarawera High School		Bay of Plenty
The second secon	Te Whata Tau o Putauaki		Bay of Plenty
	Tarawera High Schon		Bay of Plenty
13 March 2020	Chisnallwood Intermediate School		Canterbury/Chatham Islands
V	Te Pā o Rākaihautū		Canterbury/Chatham Islands
24 September 2020			Canterbury/Chatham Islands
the second second second	St Bernadetie's School (Hornby)	V	Canterbury/Chatham Islands
	Richmona School		Hawke's Bay/Tairawhiti
	Peternead School		Hawke's Bay/Tairawhiti
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	Ilminster Intermediate		Hawke's Bay/Tairawhiti
3 October 2020			Hawke's Bay/Tairawhiti
	Te Wharau School		Hawke's Bay/Tairawhiti
	Waikirikiri School	the second second	Hawke's Bay/Tairawhiti
	Bathgate Park School		Otago/Southland
	Moerewa School		Tai Tokerau
	Te Kura Kaupapa Maori o Pukemiro		Tai Tokerau
	Aranui School (Wanganui)		Taranaki/Whanganui/Manawatu
14 February 2020	Cambridge East School		Waikato
	Cambridge High School		Waikato
14 February 2020	Cambridge Middle School	1701	Waikato

Date	School Name	School Number	Region
14 February 2020	Leamington School	1789	Waikato
23 March 2020	Tokoroa Central School	2035	Waikato
25 August 2020	Fraser High School	135	Waikato
13 November 2020	Hautapu School	1735	Waikato
2020	St Paul's Collegiate	130	Waikato
2020	Boulcott School	2813	Wellington
2020	St Francis De Sales School (Is.Bay)	3006	Wellington
2020	St Patrick's School (Masterton)	3016	Wellington
2020	TKKM o Te Rito	4211	Wellington

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