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Tēnā koe

OIA: 1321463 – Summary achievement data relating to Designated Character State schools that were formerly set up as Charter Schools/Partnership Schools

Thank you for your emails of 18 January 2024 and 24 January 2024 to the Ministry of Education (the Ministry) requesting the following information:

The schools in question were as follows for each of the achievement years' data I am seeking:

1. *Te Pumanawa o te Wairua (formerly Whangaruru) – 2014, 2015*
2. *Te Kura Hourua O Whangarei Terenga Paraoa - 2014, 2015, 2016, 2018,*
3. *Vanguard Military School – 2014, 2015, 2016, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022*
4. *Pacific Advance Secondary School – 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022*
5. *Te Aratika Academy – 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022*
6. *Te Kōpuku High - 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022*
7. *Te Kapehu Whetu Tuakana – 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022*

For each of the schools named above and for each of the years it was in operation, as shown in the above table, I am seeking the following data for the metric "School Leavers":

1. *The total number of School Leavers in each year;*
2. *The number of School Leavers who left school that year with their highest qualification being:*
 - a. *No qualification*
 - b. *NCEA Level 1*
 - c. *NCEA Level 2*
 - d. *NCEA Level 3*
 - e. *UE*

I am aware that Te Kapehu Whetu-Tuakana, formerly school no. 870, has recently merged with its related former charter primary school to form a new school, under school no. 3619. However, the information I seek is that relating to when the school existed as a secondary school prior to the merger.

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

The information in scope of your request is attached as **Appendix A**. The data has been masked for values less than 5 (where "x" shows masking) under section 9(2)(a) of the Act, to protect the privacy of natural persons.

I am refusing part of your request for 2018 school leavers data regarding Te Kōpuku High School under 18(e) of the Act, as the information does not exist.

As required under section 9(1) of the Act, I have considered the public interest in releasing the information withheld. I do not consider the public interest considerations favouring the release of this information are sufficient to outweigh the need to withhold it at this time.

You may be interested to see additional information on School Leavers attainment, which can be found on the Education Counts website at the following link:

<https://www.educationcounts.govt.nz/statistics/school-leavers>

Please note, we may publish this response on our website after five working days. Your name and contact details will be removed.

Thank you again for your email. You have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review my decision on your request, in accordance with section 28 of the Act. You can do this by writing to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or to Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Nāku noa, nā



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