



# Education Report: 2019/20 Supplementary Estimates and 2020/21 Estimates for Vote Education and Vote Tertiary Education

| То:                                    | Hon Chris Hipkins, Minister of Education  |           |           |
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| Date:                                  | 7 April 2020  | Priority: | High      |
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### Purpose of report

1. This paper seeks your approval of the 2019/20 Supplementary Estimates and 2020/21 Estimates of Appropriations for Vote Education and Vote Tertiary Education. The Budget documents and the Ministerial sign offs must be submitted to the Minister of Finance no later than 14 April 2020.

## Background

- 2. Attached are the final 2019/20 Supplementary Estimates and 2020/21 Estimates of Appropriations documents for Vote Education and Vote Tertiary Education. These documents reflect:
  - the approved baselines from the 2020 March Baseline Update
  - subsequent adjustments approved by Joint Ministers in Vote Education (for example, Implementation Costs of the Teacher Aide Pay Equity Claim [METIS 1222831 refers]) and in Vote Tertiary Education (Maori and Pacifika Trades Training Consortia Funding METIS 1218985 refers])
  - estimated actuals for 2019/20 to reflect the best estimates of the year-end outturn and the most likely outcome
  - Budget 2020 technical initiatives considered by Cabinet on 6 April
  - Budget 2020 significant initiatives considered by Cabinet on 6 April, and
  - non-financial information and performance measures.

3. We have previously provided drafts of the 2019/20 Supplementary Estimates and 2020/21 Estimates to your office for review and are now providing the proposed final versions for your approval.

#### Performance Measures

4. We have previously advised you of changes to performance measures across the two Votes [METIS 1219118, 1210638 and 1219117 refer]. Minor changes were subsequently made to address feedback from the Treasury.

#### Next Steps

- 5. The Estimates and Supplementary Estimates documents are now complete and ready for publication. The documents have been reviewed for compliance against the Treasury's technical and style guidelines.
- 6. Please sign the attached Minister sign offs to the Minister of Finance and forward them to his office by 14 April 2020.
- 7. We will work with your office to provide communication material to support you on Budget day and your attendance at the Education and Workforce Select Committee's examination of the Estimates and Supplementary Estimates. This material will assist you and officials to proactively address any queries about the financial information and performance measures.

#### Proactive Release

- 8. We recommend that this Education Report is not released at this time because the information it contains is Budget sensitive. This is consistent with section 9(2)(f)(iv) of the Official Information Act 1982, which states that good reason for withholding official information exists if this is necessary to maintain the constitutional convention that protects the confidentiality of advice tendered by officials. The Estimates documents will be released by the Minister of Finance on Budget day (14 May 2020).
- 9. A proactive release of Budget 2020 reports will be prepared for your consideration as part of a wider communications strategy for your Budget 2020 package of initiatives.

# Recommended Actions

Hon Chris Hipkins Minister of Education

| 10.                                   | We recommend that the Minister of Educatio  | n:  |  |
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| a.                                    | <b>approve</b> the attached final versions of the 2019/20 Supplementary Estimates and 2020/21 Estimates of Appropriation documents  |   |  |
|                                       |   | Approved/Not approved                       |  |
| b.                                    | <b>note</b> that the Secretary for Education has a Ministerial sign offs  |   |  |
|                                       |   | Noted                                       |  |
| C.                                    | <b>sign</b> and forward the attached Ministerial signs off to the Minister of Finance by 14 2020  |   |  |
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