

NGĀ KURA Ā IWI O AOTEAROA

Te Tahi o Angitu | *Mō tātou, mā tātou, e ai ki a tātou*



INFORMATION SHEET

Established in 2007, Ngā Kura ā Iwi is a movement that has evolved due to the incredible effort, commitment and sacrifice of many elders, community leaders, families, schools, teachers and students.

Our role is to support the aspirations of iwi (tribes), whānau (families) and kura (schools) by:

- Establishing and supporting opportunities for our people to work together and learn from each other.
- Facilitating opportunities to support the capability building of iwi, hapū, school boards, principals, staff and students.
- Advocating on a national and international level for the rights and aspirations of our iwi, families, schools, staff and students.
- Establishing and nurturing partnerships with tribal entities, government agencies and the private sector to support our kaupapa (mission) and strategic priorities.

OUR FUNDAMENTAL PURPOSE

- To embed our identity markers such as our language/dialects, our way of life, our view of the world.
- Creating our own unique epistemology, (curriculum, pedagogy, values) and a governance model and policy framework to support that.
- To have the freedom to live with authority as a NGĀTI, NGĀI - kinship in our own tribal context.
- To be key decision makers on all aspects of the education of our children.
- Ngā Kura ā Iwi supports kura in conjunction with Iwi and or hapū to realise their education aspirations for their tamariki mokopuna.

OUR MAJOR EVENTS

- Hui ā Tau: National Conference – an annual event held in Rotorua which all kura are invited. The focus of the National Conference is professional learning at all levels and in all areas of the kura.
- Wānanga Arataki: Leadership Conference – an annual event previously hosted in different tribal areas each year. This year, the Wānanga Arataki will be held in Hamilton and is designed for School Leaders, Boards of Trustees, Iwi and Hapū representatives who engage with our kura.
- Oranga Tumuaki, Oranga Kura – a one day event that occurs two times a year. Designed specifically for Tumuaki, the hui is about addressing any challenges Tumuaki are facing in any aspect of their professional lives. It is a chance for First time Tumuaki, or Tumuaki early in their careers to share or seek advice in confidence from our experienced Tumuaki in our Network.
- Hui Amorangi – a two-day wānanga once a year for student leaders to support, inspire and encourage their growth in their respective roles.
- Whanaungatanga/Kotahitanga Events throughout the country – a NKAI funding opportunity for kura to design their own events or activities that grows relationships between kura.

KEY SUPPORT FEATURES

- Professional development designed for Boards of Trustees, Tumuaki, Senior Leaders, Teachers and Students.
- Online collaboration spaces with IT Support.
- Advocacy and Partnerships with Government Agencies and others.
- Access to a network of likeminded Kura.