Waihao Downs School (3567)

Enrolment Scheme

Home zone:

All students who live within the home zone described below (and shown on the attached map) shall be entitled to enrol at the Waihao Downs School.

Proof of residence within the home zone will be required.

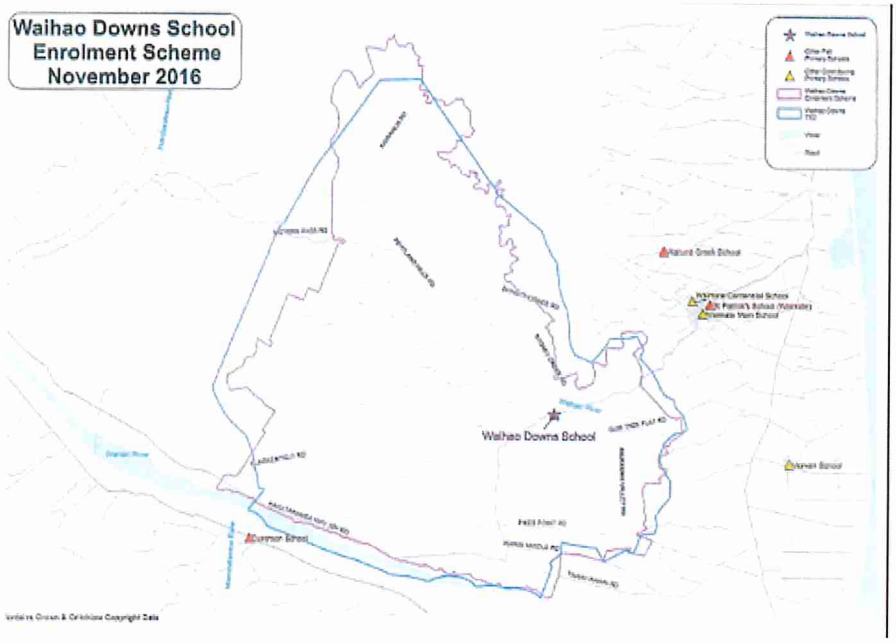
In August/September each year, applications will be sought from in-zone students for enrolment in the following year. Applications for enrolment will be advertised on the weekly school newsletter, school website, Facebook page and in our local newspaper (the Waimate Trader). This will enable the Board to assess the number of places which can be made available to students who live outside the home zone.

The enrolment Scheme takes addresses on both sides of the boundary roads mentioned in the description unless otherwise mentioned.

Starting from the intersection of the Hakataramea Highway and Clarkesfield Road, the home zone follows:

- North-East on Clarkesfield Road until Elephant Hill Road (including Clarkesfield Back Road)
- North on Elephant Hill Road until Elephant Hill Back Road
- North on Elephant Hill Back Road until Serpentine Valley Road
- North on Serpentine Valley Road until Zig Zag Road
- South-West on Zig Zag Road until Melford Hills Road (including the end of Zig Zag Road)
- North-West on Melford Hills Road until Waihaorunga Back Road
- North-West on Waihaorunga Back Road until Powells Road (including Hursts Road, Waitaki Valley Road and Tavendales Road)
- North on Powells Road until Meyers Pass Road
- East on Meyers Pass Road until Pentland Hills Road (including 235 Meyers Pass Road)
- South-East on Pentland Hills Road until Serpentine Valley Road (including North to the end of Pentland Hills Road, Douthwaites Road, Kaiwarua Road and Old Kaiwarua Road
- South on Serpentine Valley Road until Waihaorunga Road
- East on Waihaorunga Road until Quambys Road
- North on Quambys Road until Allanholme Road
- North-East on Allanholme Road until Stoney Creek Road (including the western end of Allanholme Road)
- South-East on Stoney Creek Road until the Hakataramea Highway (including Kowhatu Road, Old Kaiwarua Road and Donnithornes Road)
- East on the Hakataramea Highway until Kapua Road (including Coal Pit Road and up to 352 Parkers Bush Road)
- South-East on Kapua Road until Waikakahi Valley Road (including Campbells Road, down to 649 Gum Tree Flat Road and Wallace Road)

- South on Waikakahi Valley Road until Pikes Point Road (including Dons Road)
- West on Pikes Point Road until Cock and Hen Road
- South on Cock and Hen Road until Ikawai Middle Road
- West on the northern side of Ikawai Middle Road until Thorntons Road
- South on the western side of Thorntons Road until Tawai Ikawai Road
- West on Tawai Ikawai Road until the Hakataramea Highway
- West on the Hakataramea Highway until Clarkesfield Road.



Out of zone enrolments:

Each year, at our September Board of Trustees meeting, the Board will determine the number of places that will be available in the following year for the enrolment of students who live outside the home zone. The Board will publish this information on the school website, Facebook page and in the Waimate Trader. The notice will indicate how applications are to be made and will specify a date by which all applications must be received.

Applications for enrolment will be processed in the following order of priority:

- **First priority** is not applicable at our school because the school does not run a special programme approved by the Secretary.

- **Second priority** must be given to applicants who are siblings of current students.

- **Third priority** must be given to applicants who are siblings of former students.

- **Fourth priority** must be given to any applicant who is a child of a former student of the school.

- **Fifth priority** must be given to any applicant who is either a child of an employee of the Board of the school or a child of a member of the Board of the school.

- **Sixth priority** must be given to all other applicants.

If there are more applicants in the second, third, fourth or fifth priority groups than there are places available, selection within the priority groups will be by a ballot conducted in accordance with instructions issued by the Secretary under Section 11G(1) of the Education Act 1089. Parents will be informed of the date of any ballot by notice on the school website, Facebook page and in our local newspaper (the Waimate Trader).

Enrolment zone documentation and procedures as outlined in the Ministry of Education "Guidelines for the development and operation of enrolment schemes"
(Issued by the Secretary for Education, February 2011) are held in the Waihao Downs School office.