

Internal and external assessment of Home-School students.

Home-Schooled Student Enrolment, Entry and Eligibility to change examination centre

Home-schooled students and other persons who are not enrolled in a School are only eligible to be assessed against standards on the Directory of Assessment Standards or enter in a New Zealand Scholarship subject through linking with a School with Consent to Assess.

- There is no obligation on the part of any School to act as a Link School for home-schooled students wishing to enter for standards assessment or enter a New Zealand Scholarship subject.
- Home-schooled students wishing to enter for assessment standards or enter a New Zealand Scholarship subject must do so through a Link School using the appropriate form.
- A home-schooled student must meet all entry and eligibility criteria as specified in the Assessment Rules for Schools with Consent to Assess 2022 and are subject to the requirements of those Rules.
- A home-schooled student who wishes to enter for New Zealand Scholarship must not have completed their secondary education in a previous year and must attest to their eligibility through a Justice of the Peace.

Administrative Requirements on Link Schools

Before accepting an entry for any unit or achievement standard from a home-schooled student or other person, the Principal's Nominee of the School must be satisfied that the assessment programme undertaken by the home-schooled student is:

- fair, valid, reliable, and consistent nationally with the assessment Standard; and
- all work presented for assessment by the student or other person is authentic.

Note: All relevant internally assessed work must be moderated by the Link School.

- The Link School must carry out the necessary administration tasks for entering home-schooled students in examinations or other external assessments.
- The home-schooled student's results must be processed along with other students' results from the Link School.

Costs

A School which agrees to link with and / or perform other services for students who are home-schooled may make arrangements necessary to do so, including for any administrative costs.

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These Administrative Guidelines should be read alongside:

1. [Consent to Assess Against Standards Rules 2022](#)
2. NZQA Assessment Rules for Schools, TEOs assessing against Achievement Standards, and Candidates 2023, and
3. The following documents that set out for Schools and TEOs the requirements for assessment:
 - a. the [Consent and Moderation requirements](#)
 - b. the wording of the [Assessment Standard](#)
 - c. the Conditions of assessment
 - d. the Assessment Specifications.

<https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/providers-partners/assessment-and-moderation-of-standards/managing-national-assessment-in-schools/the-principal-s-nominee>