

Academic Foundation for New Zealand High School

Start high school ready to study!

Available at our campuses in;

- Auckland,
- Palmerston North
- Wellington City

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Why ETC?

- ★ 30 + years experience teaching international students
Established in 1993
- ★ NZQA Category One and Ministry of Education registered
- ★ Signatory to The Education (Pastoral Care of Tertiary and International Learners) Code of Practice 2021
- ★ Meets NZ immigration requirements. Students studying on a school visa can study for up to two months before the school term begins.
- ★ Highly skilled and experienced teaching and support staff in great locations

Introduction

ETC's **Academic Foundation for New Zealand High School** programme is specifically designed to prepare students aged 14 to 18 years to develop the skills and knowledge for integration and success at New Zealand's schools and educational institutions



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Course Academic Overview

The programme is academically focussed, with the goal of preparing students to transition successfully into mainstream or supported secondary school study.

Developed in association with Massey University College to provide a solid foundation to high school education in New Zealand

The programme prioritises

- core English language development
- classroom readiness
- core subject vocabulary
- reading and writing confidence
- communication skills (listening and speaking)
- familiarity with New Zealand school expectations
- settling into New Zealand home life



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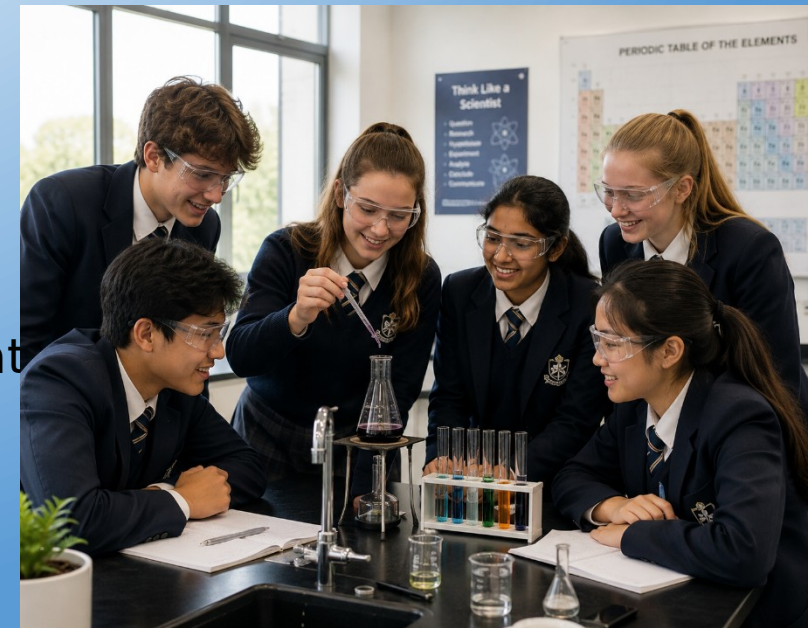
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Mornings: English language and classroom skills are taught by way of discussions, text analysis, vocabulary building, presentations, projects, listening and writing practise, testing and working in a team

Afternoons: English language development for core high school subjects

- Maths
- Science
- Social Studies
- Health and Physical Education

Plus educational activities outside of the classroom that complement classroom learning. E.g. Science: Biology; Animal habitats – trip to the Zoo or Wildlife Centre.



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Overview

Dates available: Two intakes a year. Eight weeks prior to the start of the high school term. (before terms 1 and 3)

Duration: Six weeks. This allows a 2 week holiday break before starting at high school. Students can join the ETC School Holiday programme for these two weeks if interested.

Time: 9am to 3pm, Monday to Friday. Weekends are spent with the student's homestay family

Great locations:

Auckland at the beach - Palmerston North in the city - Wellington in the city



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Benefits for students and parents/caregivers

Structured transition: ETC's programme follows established New Zealand secondary school practice of learning periods and break times. Developed in conjunction with Massey University College, this programme is designed to reflect good secondary school practice.

Settling in period: Coming to New Zealand and leaving home, family and friends is a big step in a young person's life. Having time to understand the new way of life and adapt to the culture in a small supportive group, allows a student to start high school ready to study.

English language immersion: With six weeks practise of thinking, speaking and living using English builds their language skills before entering high school. Students can understand their teacher, make friends and work alongside 'Kiwi' students with confidence.

Additional student support: ETC's support staff have experience empathy about studying abroad. They have first language skills to help students when they arrive and throughout their time with us.



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Benefits for agents

Quality programme: The programme has been developed in association with Massey University College. This helps agents and schools give parents assurance regarding their children's progress

Code of Practice: Assists agents and schools meet the Code of Practice requirements regarding English language competency and orientation to living in New Zealand.

English language immersion: With six weeks concentrated practise of thinking, speaking and living using English as their main language before entering high school, students are more likely to achieve
a happy integration into their high school.

Additional student support: ETC's support staff have experience and empathy about studying abroad. They have first language skills to help students when they arrive and throughout their time with us.



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Benefits for schools and teachers

Structured transition: ETC's programme follows established New Zealand secondary school practice of learning periods and break times. It provides an English foundation for mainstream classes plus specialised vocabulary for compulsory topics (maths, science, social studies and health). Where possible, an orientation visit to your school can be arranged prior to the student starting

Comprehensive reporting: At course end ETC will provide the high school with a comprehensive report on English level and socialisation detailing the student's level of English competency and any settling or socialisation challenges.

Alleviates pressure on your ESOL department: Your teachers can step straight into delivering their ESOL support or mainstream programmes as students will have English Foundation and knowledge of specialised vocabulary to work from.

Homestay: We will work with you. Students can stay in our homestay or yours. We have many first language speakers at our sites who can assist students transition to living in New Zealand and far from family and friends.



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Conditions and Responsibilities for Pastoral Care: MOU

Memorandum of Understanding: ETC and the high school will sign a mutually agreed MOU outlining the academic, pastoral care and homestay responsibilities of each party.

Payment: The MOU will cover how payment to ETC will occur.

Homestay: As outlined in the Code, all under 18 students must stay in approved homestay accommodation or with their parents or approved designated caregivers. Students in the ETC location of their high school may stay in their high school homestay or approved accommodation or ETC homestay. Those students moving to a different high school location after the ETC programme must stay in ETC approved homestay accommodation.

ETC has designated homestay coordinators on all campuses.

Sharing Information: ETC and the high school will undertake to share all emergency contact, physical and mental health information disclosed to them. ETC will share academic results and attendance records with the high school.

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Pricing for a 6 week programme*

	Auckland and Wellington		Palmerston North	
NZ\$	Per week	Total - 6 weeks	Per week	Total - 6 weeks
Enrolment fee		275		275
Tuition	470	2,820	470	2,820
LOTG fee (activities)	100	600	70	420
Total		\$3,695		\$3,515
Optional fees				
Homestay placement fee		370		370
Homestay	450	2,700	430	2,580
Airport pickup (one way)	120	120	30	30
Total		\$6,885		\$6,495

Prices are in New Zealand dollars : Subject to change, please apply for a current price list.

Homestay: An ETC or the high school homestay family may be used.

Insurance: All students must have travel and medical insurance. If not using ETC's preferred providers the insurer must be pre-authorised.