WAITAKI BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

Procedure for dealing with Concerns and Complaints at School



Starting Point

Your concern or problem involves a classroom

Your concern or problem does not involve a classroom matter or particular staff member, **OR** has not been resolved by visiting the staff member.

No

No



Yes

matter, or a particular staff member

Write a note or phone the staff member concerned to make a suitable time to discuss the issue. Indicate before the discussion what the concern is about.



Talk with the relevant staff member about the issue. Be prepared to listen to their point of view. This may require more than 1 meeting, and/or involve the Deputy Rector



Provide feedback to the staff member as to whether you were satisfied or not, to ensure the problem is settled.





No

No

Yes

Write a note or phone the Rector and make a time to discuss the concern or problem. Indicate before the discussion what the concern is about, and the steps you have taken to remedy it.



Discuss with the Rector, be prepared to listen to their point of view also, and provide feedback to ensure the problem is settled.

The concern may be referred back to the staff member(s) particularly where this process has not been followed to date.

Issue Resolved?



No further action is required

Your concern or problem has not been resolved by visiting the staff member or the Rector, OR it involves the Rector or Board of Trustees.

You now have a complaint



Write to the Board of Trustees, via the chairperson, outlining your problem, concern or complaint in detail, and all actions taken to date. The chairperson will need to ensure the correct process has been followed before the board will consider and may direct you back to the staff member or principal.

Include your name, signature and contact numbers. Your complaint will be acknowledged along with an expected timeframe for resolution.



Except in exceptional circumstances the Board of Trustees will not accept any complaint unless it is in writing and that a reasonable attempt has been made to resolve it through this process.

Once the board has considered and resolved the complaint, the board will endeavour to convene a follow-up contact within one month.