

# Governance and Establishment Boards of Trustees – *Aranui schools*

*This fact sheet provides general information about Establishment Boards of Trustees (EBoTs) and specific information about the EBoT that will be appointed to establish the new Aranui community campus.*

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- » The elected Boards of Trustees of the schools closing in Aranui will stay in place until the date of school closure. They will continue to govern the schools to ensure that students are receiving a quality education.
- » The Minister of Education appoints an EBoT to every new school that is being established. An EBoT will be appointed for the new Aranui community campus and it is likely to be in place by May 2014 (beginning of term two).
- » The process for appointing an EBoT starts with the Ministry advertising for expressions of interest from people with the required skills and experience who wish to put their names forward for the EBoT.
- » An EBoT has five members and can co-opt up to four other members to support its operation. The Ministry appoints a governance facilitator to support the EBoT. Once a principal/s is appointed, they will also become part of the EBoT.
- » The EBoT's role is to oversee and assist in the process of setting up a new school or schools. It stays in place for as long as it is required to ensure the new school/s has the best possible start it can. This is usually about three to six months after the opening of the school, at which time elections are held for the Board of Trustees.
- » The EBoT receives grants to operate and to set the school up and equip it.
- » The EBoT is responsible for much of the work that will produce a functioning teaching and learning organisation, including:
  - working with the community to develop a vision for the school
  - involving the community in the development of the school and keeping them up to date with progress
  - working with the Ministry and contractors on the design and construction of the buildings and grounds
  - developing a staffing plan, advertising for staff and appointing the staff
  - establishing systems and procedures
  - preparing enrolment information for new students.



- » Once appointed, the principal and staff will focus on establishing the school curriculum, teaching and learning programmes, assessment and reporting processes and guidelines.
- » The Aranui Community Leadership Group (ACLG), made up of members of the local community, will be set up following the announcement to lead further consultation on the form the campus should take and communication with the community until the EBoT is established. Until decisions are made on the form of the campus, the EBoT cannot be set up.
- » With the support of the Ministry and education community, the ACLG will work with the wider Aranui community to develop an exciting vision for the organisation of the campus, and the facilities and services it will provide.
- » It is likely that the ACLG will continue to provide support and advice as the EBoT works to establish how the community's vision can be realised, and to make sure the community continues to stay involved every step of the way.
- » Nominations for the Community Leadership Group will be open from 12 September to 27 September. More information will be available on the roles and responsibilities of the group, and the application process, at [www.shapingeducation.govt.nz](http://www.shapingeducation.govt.nz)

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