

The process for the response to interim decision period

The process for Redcliffs School following the announcement.

The Minister announces her interim decision after considering the Board's feedback.

In accordance with section 154 of the Education Act 1989, where the Minister's interim decision is that the school should close, a school's Board "must be asked if it has any arguments in favour of the school's staying open".

The Minister has proposed that this consultation period should end on 11 March 2016, but has requested the Board's feedback on a reasonable timeframe for this process by **9 December 2015** before confirming the end date for this process.

The response should be addressed to **Coralanne Child, Director of Education, Ministry of Education, PO Box 2522, Christchurch 8140.**

This feedback will then be considered along with the initial submission before a final decision is made.

If the Board does not wish to provide further feedback or argument on why the school should remain open, it should state that in a letter or submission to the Ministry.

The Board may decide to consult with its community during this response period.

The Ministry will pay up to \$2,500 to fund a facilitator to support the Board.

The Board may use the same facilitator that it used for the initial consultation period, or it may contract someone else.

Your Ministry Education Curriculum and Performance Senior Adviser is also available to assist.



