

**2025 School Board Parent Elections**  
**TAIPA AREA SCHOOL**  
**School profile number: 02**

**Taipa  
Area  
School**

Te Kura Takiwā o Taipa

Nominations are open for the election of **6 parent representatives** to the school board.

**Your nomination form is enclosed.**

You can use this form to nominate yourself or someone else in your community. We have nomination forms available in Te Reo Māori and some other languages. Please contact the returning officer if these are required. If you have a child enrolled in year 6 at a nearby years 1-6 (contributing) primary school, you can also participate in this election.

**Nominating yourself or someone else**

If you are on the voting roll and eligible to vote, you can nominate yourself. Please remember to sign **both** parts of the form.

If you are nominating someone else, complete the nomination form and make sure it includes all the required contact details and signatures.

You can post, hand deliver or email your nomination form/s to the returning officer (see details below).

Nominations close at **noon** on **WEDNESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST**

**NOTE:** Information on who is not eligible to be a board member is enclosed.

**Candidate statement**

If you are a candidate, you are invited to submit an optional statement (up to 400 words) and photo. Make sure your statement is received by **noon** on **Wednesday, 6th August**, so that it can be sent to voters with the voting papers.

The returning officer may remove or edit any part of the candidate's statement if it exceeds 400 words or is offensive or defamatory.

**Electoral roll**

The electoral roll is held at the school office and can be viewed during regular school hours, 8.30 am to 2.30 pm.

**Eligibility**

Anyone can stand for election to the board, except for some exclusions. Please check the information on who is not eligible. If not enclosed, ask the returning officer for this. If you are not on the voting roll, you must be nominated by a person who is.

**Scrutineers**

A candidate may nominate a person to sit with the returning officer during the vote count to make sure it is done correctly. Scrutineers are also required for electronic elections if a recount is needed. Please advise the returning officer in writing of your scrutineer's name and contact details before election day. Candidates **cannot** be scrutineers.

**Voting and results**

Electronic voting will not be an option for this election.

If there are more nominations than vacancies for parent representatives, a voting election will be held. Eligible voters will be issued voting papers and candidate statements on or before **Wednesday, 13th August**.

The poll closes at **4 pm** on **Wednesday, 10th September**. The highest polling candidates will be elected to the board, and the results will be notified to the school community and other affected parties.

**POST or HAND DELIVER NOMINATION FORMS TO THE RETURNING OFFICER**

**Lyn Pooley c/Taipa Area School or email to lynpooley13@gmail.co**

## People who are not eligible to be School - Board Members;

The following people are not eligible to be school board members.

A person who:

- is an undischarged bankrupt; or
- is prohibited from being a director or promoter of, or being concerned or taking part in the management of, an incorporated or unincorporated body under the [Companies Act 1993](#), or the [Financial Markets Conduct Act 2013](#), or the [Takeovers Act 1993](#); or
- is a permanently appointed member of the Board staff, unless they are standing for election as a staff representative; or
- contracts or sub-contracts with the Board without the approval of the Secretary of Education and receives payments exceeding \$25,000 in any financial year. This would also cover situations where a person has a 10% or more shareholding in the contracting company or a company that controls the contracting company; or
- is subject to a property order under the [Protection of Personal and Property Rights Act 1988](#); or
- has been convicted of a specified offence identified in [Schedule 2](#) of the Children's Act 2014, unless that person has obtained a pardon or been granted an exemption; or
- is a person in respect of whom a personal order has been made under that Act that either the person is not competent to manage his or her own property affairs, or does not have the capacity to communicate/make decisions relating to his/her welfare/personal care; or
- is a person who has been convicted of an offence punishable by imprisonment for 2 years or more, or who has been sentenced to imprisonment for any other offence, unless that person has obtained a pardon, served the sentence, or otherwise suffered the penalty imposed on the person; or
- is not a New Zealand citizen, **and** is –
  - a person to whom [section 15](#) or [16](#) of the Immigration Act 2009 applies; or
  - a person obliged, by or pursuant to that Act, to leave New Zealand immediately or within a specified time, being a time that was less than 12 months; or
  - deemed for the purposes of that Act to be in New Zealand unlawfully.

A returning officer for an election (or by-elections) of board members is not eligible to be nominated as a candidate in that election.

For more information:

- See clauses 9 and 10 of [Schedule 23](#) of the Education and Training Act 2020 (the list above is a summary of these clauses).
- Call NZSBA Advisory and Support Centre 0800 782 435, option 1.