

Top Academic Level 11 & 12

The following criteria determines the Top Year 11 & 12 Academic awards at Senior Prize Giving;

- A score will be calculated from Excellence credits from 4 Subjects (both internal credits, external portfolio credits ie Art boards & derived exams results) at the appropriate year level using no more than 20 credits from any one subject, for a total of 80 credits.
- Credits are counted from the student's timetable subjects only. Credits gained from Extracurricular activities ie the school Production will not be used towards the academic prize.
- Where study is at one level higher than the cohort, a factor of 1.4 will be applied in recognition of the additional level of difficulty. For two levels higher that factor will be 1.8.
- Credits achieved the previous year as a result of accelerated study, and from both internal and external results, are eligible for inclusion; these will not be factored at a higher level.
- In the case of a tie, the Excellence credit total can be extended in increments of 10 credits, using the remaining subjects, until a top scholar is established.
- A record of the calculations will be kept until March 1st the following year
- International students who are studying a FULL year at Whakatane High School will be eligible for inclusion.
- Grades will only be considered up until the date given to MC in term 3 - they must be recorded in our school kamar system or work must be submitted to the subject teacher before the above date. It must be in writing from the subject teacher that work was submitted before the above date and will be given an excellence grade.

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The following criteria determines the Top Year 13 Academic awards at Senior Prize Giving;

- A score will be calculated from Excellence credits from 4 Subjects (both internal credits, external portfolio credits ie Art boards & derived exams results) at the appropriate year level using no more than 20 credits from any one subject, for a total of 80 credits.
- Credits are counted from the students timetable subjects or University course (1 or 2 papers counts as one subject with a max of 20 credits). Credits gained from Extracurricular activities ie the school Production will not be used towards the academic prize.
- Credits achieved the previous year as a result of accelerated study, and from both internal and external results, are eligible for inclusion; these will not be factored at a higher level.
- If studying a University Paper for a semester and the student receives an overall A grade or higher they will receive 10 Excellence credits.
- If studying a University Paper for a full year and the student receives an overall A grade or higher they will receive 20 Excellence credits. This can be taken from the provisional grade received from the University of study.
- In the case of tie, the Excellence credit total can be extended using the remaining excellence credits from any timetable subject from the current year, until a top scholar is established.
- A record of the calculations will be kept until March 1st the following year
- International students who are studying a FULL year at Whakatane High School will be eligible for inclusion.