Hon Jan Tinetti

Minister of Education Minister for Women Minister for Child Poverty Reduction



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Tēnā koe Stefan

Thank you for your application asking me to change the classification of Queen Elizabeth College from a Year 9-13 secondary school, to Year 7-13 composite school.

The Ministry of Education has completed consultation on my behalf, as required under section 209 of the Education and Training Act 2020 (the Act), on the proposed change of classification of Queen Elizabeth College.

I have considered all the information provided to me, including the feedback from the recent consultation period, and I am pleased to tell you I have approved your proposal.

Under section 198 (1) and (3) of the Act I have decided that Queen Elizabeth College will be a composite school providing education for Years 7-13. This change will be notified in the *New Zealand Gazette* and take effect from 1 January 2024.

Please work with your board support organisation to ensure that the change to being a Year 7-13 composite school is managed well. The Ministry will continue working with your board to assist with this change. Please contact Darryl Leath at <u>darryl.leath@education.govt.nz</u> if you have any questions.

Nāku noa, nā

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Hon Jan Tinetti Minister of Education