



Wellington High School New Zealand



Wellington High School is a state, co-educational, non uniform, secondary school with 1050 students in the heart of Wellington, the capital city of New Zealand.

The school has welcomed international students for 40 years and was recognized with the New Zealand Education Exporter of the Year Award in 2004.

It offers a wide range of courses and opportunities to try new experiences and produces independent, resilient young people able to accept responsibility. Diversity is celebrated and difference is normal.



"Since 1886 Wellington High has been known for its innovative curriculum and student management practices"



- Full academic program to meet home school requirements
- High quality teaching by experienced highly qualified teachers
- Broad selection of courses including French & Japanese
- Small classes and individual attention
- Superior facilities and technology
- Promotes individual learning and achievement
- Chose your own study program



- Flexible starting dates and course lengths
- Full home stay and orientation organised
- Full orientation and counselling
- Notarised academic record provided
- Make friends quickly through Kiwi buddies
- Individual internet accounts provided
- Opportunities to travel within the country
- International students from many countries
- Counsellors familiar with other languages & cultures



- Full extra curricular programme available
- Interschool sports program for all participants
- Football, rugby, basketball, swimming, tennis
- Exceptionally strong visual and performing arts
- Comprehensive outdoor education program
- School radio station with opportunities to DJ
- Peer mediation, tutoring and leaders



Wellington High School courses of study

New Zealand national qualification examinations are prepared for in Years 11, 12 and 13.

Year 11: students study for NCEA Level 1. They study English, Mathematics, Science, Physical Education and any other two courses.

Year 12: students study for NCEA Level 2. They study English and any other four courses.

Year 13: students study for NCEA Level 3. They study any five courses and those considering applying for New Zealand university on completion, may opt to sit Scholarship Examinations (Level 4).

Year 12 and 13 students may study at level 2 and 3 so there are opportunities to begin new courses or accelerate in areas of strength. Students at school for one semester do not sit the national examinations.

For more information about the school qualifications see <http://www.nzqa.org.nz/ncea>

Learning Area	National Certificate of Education Achievement Levels 1, 2 and 3
Arts	Art Art History Painting Sculpture Design Photography Drama Music Studies Film & Television
Languages	English Contemporary Text Journalism Classical Studies French Japanese Maori
Mathematics	Mathematics Calculus Statistics Applied Mathematics Accounting
Physical Education	Physical Education Health Education Recreation Sport Studies Sports Leadership Outdoor Education
Science	Biology Chemistry Physics Science Agriculture and Horticulture
Social Science	Social Studies Economics Geography Employment Studies Tourism History
Technology	Graphics Design Technology Workshop Practical Workshop Carpentry CISCO Electronics Food Technology Hospitality Fabrics Technology Information Science Digital Media Practical Computing



What Italians say.....



Oggi e' il mio ultimo giorno in Wellington High School. L'ultimo di sei mesi che sono volati. Prima di partire sembrano una vita, ma nel tempo che ci si mette ad ambientarsi veramente bisogna ripartire.

La scuola e' davvero bella, cammino per i corridoi e mi sento proprio a mio agio ormai. I primi giorni e' scioccante, perche' noi siamo abituati alla austerita' del nostro sistema scolastico, a dare del lei ai professori, a un sistema stressante e competitivo. Anche se a livello di studio la scuola non e' impegnativa come quella italiana non vuol dire che non si impari altrettanto. Gli studenti sono molto piu' autonomi qua, scelgono le loro materie, quelle che DAVVERO gli interessano, organizzano gruppi autogestiti, attivita' pomeridiane.

Wellington High School in particolare e' molto attiva nel campo artistico-musicale. ci sono molti ragazzi di talento e la scuola offre loro tutti i mezzi per emergere.

Noi studenti internazionali, anche se inseriti nella normale vita scolastica neozelandese, siamo seguiti da un ufficio che si occupa di noi a 360 gradi e ci sostiene in tutto. Qualsiasi problema possa sorgere nell'inserimento a scuola o con le famiglie ospitanti viene affrontato insieme, e questo e' di grande aiuto perche' i momenti di difficolta' ci sono.

Il programma ha tutte le potenzialita' per offrire agli studenti stranieri un'esperienza bellissima e formativa, ma tutto il resto e nelle nostre mani.

Laura



Buongiorno Italiani !

Mi chiamo Helene, ho 16 anni, vengo da Milano e sono stata una studentessa internazionale a Wellington per 6 mesi. Ho frequentato la Wellington High School, una delle migliori scuole che accoglie studenti provenienti da tutto il mondo, un posto molto grande in cui persone, culture, menti, pensieri, usi e costumi si incontrano e creano relazioni per arricchirsi, un crogiolo di conoscenze che nasce e vive ogni nuovo giorno che sorge.

La Wellington High School e' una scuola che ti incoraggia a migliorare il tuo talento, offrendoti una varia gamma di materie tra cui scegliere quelle che piu' si adattano ai tuoi interessi; ogni classe ha le sue particolarita', ogni volta si incontrano nuove persone con cui scambiare le proprie opinioni, i ragazzi Kiwi sono infatti molto aperti verso gli "international students", hanno voglia di ascoltare le loro storie, e sognano ad occhi aperti dei posti da cui gli studenti stranieri provengono, ma quello che piu' li caratterizza e' la semplicita' e la spontaneita' con cui offrono il loro aiuto a qualsiasi persona.

Ho passato dei momenti indimenticabili in questa scuola: le lezioni di pittura, fatte in una grande sala dove ogni colore sembra prendere vita, quelle d'inglese, tra letture, risate ed esercizi, quelle di francese con uscite al cinema molto frequenti; tutti fantastici momenti passati con persone che non dimentichero' mai.

Da non dimenticare e' anche l'assistenza fornita dall'ufficio internazionale agli studenti stranieri: ogni ipotetico problema viene prontamente affrontato con professionalita', e risolto con un immenso sorriso. Grazie a questa scuola e a tutte le possibilita' che mi sono state offerte da essa, ho vissuto spensieratamente e felicemente sei importantissimi mesi della mia vita, non mi resta che dire:

MI MANCHERAI WELLY HIGH !!!!

New Zealand is a safe, small, friendly, English speaking country in the South Pacific. It is a little smaller than Italy with only 4.2 million people but like Italy has mountains and lovely beaches . The people, often called Kiwis after their national bird, are open, friendly and sports oriented. There is wonderful scenery with easy access and an education system that offers many opportunities to try new experiences.

Wellington the capital city is at the bottom of the North Island giving easy access to the rest of the country. Wellington is a small city of 350,000 people, clustered around a beautiful harbour. It has the national museum, government, two universities and the Italian Embassy. There is a well-established Italian community in Wellington which celebrates national holidays and welcomes visitors.



Practical details:

Enroll: online from the website or email the school or contact a local agent.

Start dates:

The academic year in New Zealand starts in February and ends in December. Students may start at the beginning of term in February, April, July or October. Others starting dates are possible on request.

Fees and costs:

Students pay tuition fees and weekly board for the home stay families. Details of all costs are available from the school or agents who offer a total package including airfares.

ESOL examinations:

Students are prepared for the City and Guilds (England) and sit the examination at the end of the semester or the year.

Welcome:

Students are met at the Wellington airport by their host families or school staff.



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Wellington High School has agreed to observe and be bound by the Code of Practice for the Pastoral Care of International Students published by the Minister of Education. Copies of the code are available from this institution or from the New Zealand Ministry of Education website at <http://www.minedu.govt.nz>