



## Community Engagement Policy:

### Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei Education Limited – Te Kura o Ngāti Whātua ki Tāmaki

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#### 1. Purpose

- 1.1. Te Kura o Ngāti Whātua ki Tāmaki (Kura) is a kura established under the Charter School framework (“we”, “us” and “our”).
- 1.2. The purpose of this policy is to outline our commitment to building collaborative partnerships with parents, whānau, hapū, wider hapori and other stakeholders to support student learning and well-being.

#### 2. Interpretation

- 2.1. The mātaḡono of Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei are the values that guide the actions of the hapū and the Group, they ground them in tikanga Māori. This policy will be interpreted and applied in accordance with the mātaḡono of Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei, with particular emphasis on the following:

❖ **Rangatiratanga**

Kia whakatinana i ngā āhuetanga tika o te rangatiratanga puta noa te hapū.

*Leadership – to live and practice positive leadership throughout the hapū.*

❖ **Whanaungatanga**

Kia kitea te mana me te tapu o ia kawai heke i heke iho ai i a Tūperiri hei rangitāmiro i a tātou.

*Kinship – to embrace and acknowledge the importance of our whakapapa and relationships and how these binds us together.*

❖ **Kaitiakitanga**

Kia tiakina ō tātou whānau, o tatou whenua, ā tatou taonga me ā tatou rawa mō āke tonu atu.

*Guardianship – to protect our people, our lands, our resources and our taonga forever.*

❖ **Mana taurite**

Kia taurite te whai wāhi atu on ngā uri ki ngā painga me ngā angitu.

*Equity – all hapū members have equal access to benefits and opportunities.*

#### 3. Engagement

- 3.1. We will seek to engage with our hapori in order to deliver a curriculum that:
  - 3.1.1. Is meaningful, relevant and connected to students’ lives;
  - 3.1.2. Reflects the values and aspirations of parents, whānau, the wider hapori; and
  - 3.1.3. Establishes strong home-school partnerships where parents, whānau and hapori are

involved and supported in students' learning.

- 3.2. We will develop plans and processes to create and maintain effective partnerships with parents, whānau, hapu, wider hapori and other stakeholders, including:

- 3.2.1. Developing and utilising regular means of formal and informal communication;
- 3.2.2. Providing opportunities for our Kura hapori to give feedback about school operations;
- 3.2.3. Identifying and reducing barriers that may be preventing engagement; and
- 3.2.4. Ensuring a complaints procedure is clear and accessible.

#### 4. **Policy Review**

- 4.1. This policy is to be reviewed every three years, with any changes to be approved by the Board of Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei Education Limited. The date of next review is November 2028.

#### 5. **Version History**

| Version | Date             | Amendments       |
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