Intro to NCEA

How Does NCEA Work?

- Level 1 (usually Year 11), Level 2 (usually Year 12) and Level 3 (usually Year 13)
- External (exam) and Internal (in-class) assessment
- Standards made up of credits
- You need 80 credits to get Level 1
- Unit standards and Achievement Standards
- Need 10 literacy and 10 numeracy credits
- Results show Not Achieved, Achieved, Merit, and Excellence
- Course endorsement and Subject endorsement

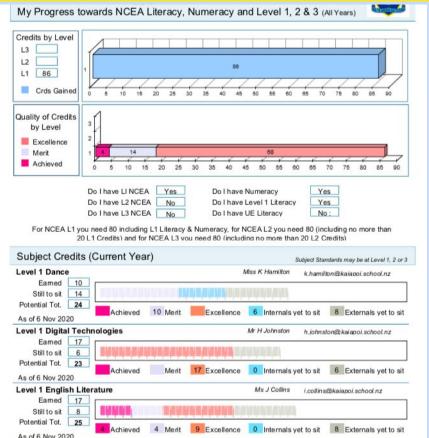
NCEA at Kaiapoi High School

- Course outlines selection of standards, only removed with parent permission
- Due dates and extensions/illness
- Derived Grade exams
- Exam timetable and study leave
- NZQA booklet given to students
- Year 11 study period
- Fortnightly reports for Level 1 students attendance!

Fortnightly report - effort/attendance - individual subjects

All Subjects											
T1 T2 T3 T4 4.5 4.7 4.6 4.6	Wk 30 4.5	Wk 31 4.5	Wk 32 4.6	Wk 33 4.5	Wk 34	Wk 35	Wk 36	Wk 37	Wk 38	Wk 39	Year 4.6
Level 1 Dance Miss K Hamilton Attendance k.hamilton@kaiapoi.school.nz _{Class} Effort	Wk 30 100% 4	Wk 31 100% 4	Wk 32 100% 4	Wk 33 100% 4	Wk 34	Wk 35	Wk 36	Wk 37	Wk 38	Wk 39	Year 95% 4.0
Level 1 Digital Technologies Mr H Johnston Attendance h.johnston@kaiapoi.school.nzClass Effort	Wk 30 100% 4	Wk 31 100% 4	Wk 32 100% 4	Wk 33 100% 4	Wk 34	Wk 35	Wk 36	Wk 37	Wk 38	Wk 39	Year 95% 4.3
Level 1 English Literature Ms J Collins Attendance j.collins@kaiapoi.school.nz Class Effort	Wk 30 100% 5	Wk 31 100% 5	Wk 32 100% 5	Wk 33 100% 5	Wk 34	Wk 35	Wk 36	Wk 37	Wk 38	Wk 39	Year 93% 5.0
Level 1 Mathematics Mr W Cook w.cook@kaiapoi.school.nz Attendance Class Effort	Wk 30 100% 4	Wk 31 100% 4	Wk 32 100% 5	Wk 33 100% 4	Wk 34	Wk 35	Wk 36	Wk 37	Wk 38	Wk 39	Year 93% 4.2
Level 1 Music Ms T Utting Attendance	Wk 30 100%	Wk 31 100%	Wk 32 100%	Wk 33 100%	Wk 34	Wk 35	Wk 36	Wk 37	Wk 38	Wk 39	Year 95%

Fornightly report - NCEA progress



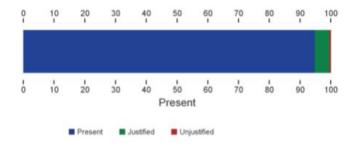
Fortnightly report - overall attendance

The graph below gives a breakdown of attendance details for the year to date. The Ministry of Education considers that for a school student to be 'Attending Regularly', then their rate should be at least 90% Present. If the attendance rate falls below 85% contact will be made with parents/caregivers, as we believe learning opportunities are being compromised.

Attendance above 90% is excellent.

A full breakdown of data can be viewed on the Parent Portal.

95 %



Present

As well as attendance in regular timetabled classes, this includes:

- internal school appointments with Deans, Counsellors or Sick Bay
- sitting an examination
- school activities on or off-site such as athletic sports or class trips and camps
- school organised work experience
- attendance at a Secondary-Tertiary Programme such as Trades Academy, CTC or STAR courses

Justified Absence

This includes:

- explained absences for short term illness/medical reasons, medical appointments
- unplanned absence such as an accident, road closure or extreme weather
- absences due to family bereavement, visiting an ill relative, or other family circumstances
- local/national representation in a sporting or cultural event either in NZ or overseas
- exam leave (Although justified, this is still classed as an absence)

Unjustified Absence

NCEA Tracking

- Teachers estimate credits
- Data to allow intervention
- Credit course
- Term 4 focus on re-submitting any work
- Extra credit opportunities if needed

Certificate Endorsements

- 50 credits at Merit <u>or above</u> (for a Merit endorsement)
- 50 credits at Excellence (for an Excellence endorsement)

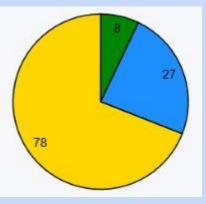
Can be from any combination of internals or externals.

At Level 2 and 3, certificate endorsements are often linked to scholarship money for tertiary education.

Celebrated at our Academic Assembly the following year. Receive a badge and certificate.



Merit Endorsement

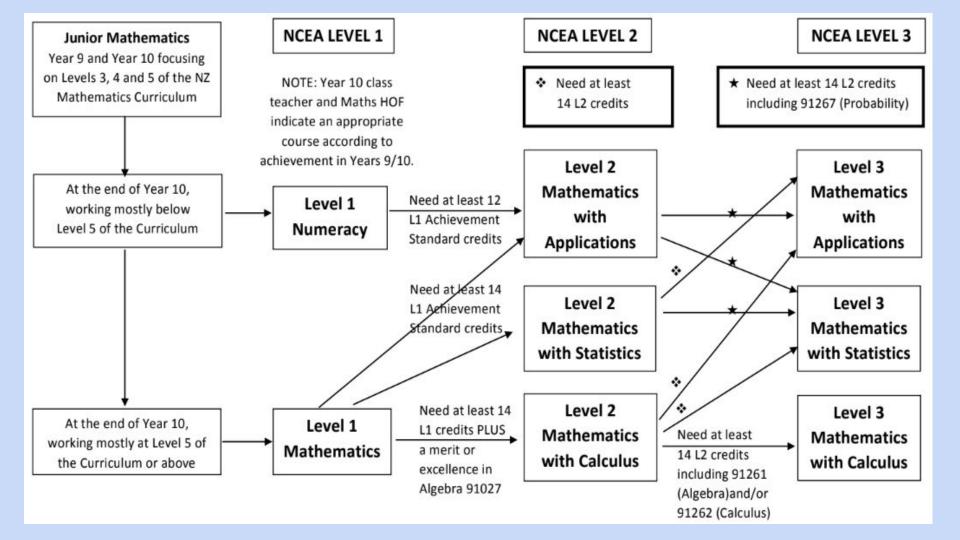


Excellence Endorsement

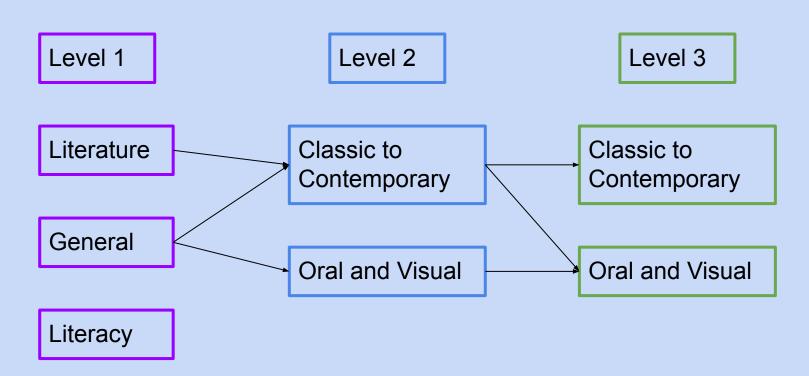
Subject Endorsement

- 14 credits in a particular subject will gain you subject endorsement.
 - This can be at Achieved, Merit or Excellence.
 - Often students need to pass their exam to gain this endorsement.

- Sometimes required for entry to the next level of the course.
 - e.g. can't take Level 2 Calculus without sitting the MCAT (external).



English - Pathways



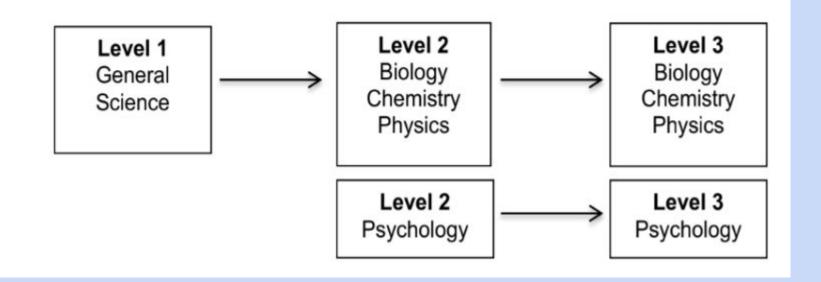
Structure of the L1 Science course

Students were given the option to choose the topics they would like to study based on career aspirations.

Hopefully, you will have seen the course selection handout at the start of the year as students were asked to take these home for parents/caregivers to sign.

Note: The choices are not set in stone except for term one.

SCIENCE FACULTY COURSES 2022



Level 2 Physics Entry

Prerequisites for this course:

- 14 or more Level 1 Science credits, including a pass in the External SCI 1.1 Mechanics topic practice exam.
- The MAS 1.7 Right-angled Triangles internal & the MAS 1.2 Algebra
 Internal, or HOF/TIC approval.

Level 2 Chemistry Entry

Prerequisites for this course:

- 14 credits in Level 1 Science, including passing the Acids and Bases
 Practice exam at Merit or higher,
- Or HOF/TIC approval.

Level 2 Biology Entry

Prerequisites for this course:

14 or more Level 1 Science credits, including Science 1.9 (Genetics)
practice exam AND a merit in the Microbes assessment,

or HOF/TIC approval.

External topics/exams

- These topics have more content so the pace of the course will be faster to get through it all.
- Students need to apply a lot more focus and be prepared to do a lot more homework.
- Tutorials are offered and students struggling or who wish to achieve highly should attend these.
- The external exams are at the end of the year so students will need to revise the topic(s) thoroughly. Term 4 is mostly a revision term and we also have a tutorial week where science students can come in throughout the week for revision help leading up to the exam.
- Students who come to the end of the year tutorials always do well, however, very few turn up??

Why Is Passing NCEA Level 1 So Important This Year?

Prerequisites

- Passing a Level 1 course allows you to progress to the Level 2 course.
- Passing Level 1 English is a prerequisite for many L2 courses.
- Passing NCEA Level 1 is a prerequisite for many L2 courses.

Literacy and Numeracy

- Currently, these 20 credits can be gained through many different L1 standards (both internally and externally assessed) and courses.
- Next year, these can <u>ONLY</u> be gained through the corequisite standards (both externally assessed).

How can you help at home?

- Avoid taking students on holiday in term time
- Plan for any justified absence
- Google Classroom as a means of managing work
- Due dates written down/entered in planner
- Balance this with keeping an eye on stress levels
- Encourage attendance at tutorials

How can you help at home?

- Years 10 and 11 do matter!
- Talk with students about their progress and future
- Help them choose the right courses
- Sleep
- Encourage study for, and effort in derived grade exams, and external exams
- You are welcome to contact teachers!

Further information

- NZQA webpage www.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/
- NZQA 2022 booklet on KHS website Learning > Curriculum
- Tutor teachers are involved in tracking students NCEA achievement so are a good point of contact
- Tracking app for students
- Level 2 next year...