



The Prime Minister's
ORANGA TAMARIKI
AWARDS

Ile Kōtuku Rerenga Tahī

Recognising the achievements of care experienced
young people realising their potential

Making a nomination



The Prime Minister's Oranga Tamariki Awards recognises the achievements of care experienced young people in New Zealand, who have overcome significant challenges to achieve amazing things.

The award scholarships help young people to achieve their aspirations for the future – whether that is in further study and training, pursuing creative development, following a passion or interest, contributing to their communities or developing their leadership skills.

Your nomination is an opportunity to introduce your chosen rangatahi to the selection panel and tell the story of who they are, where they have come from, what they have achieved and more about their aspirations and potential.

All young people nominated will receive a tohu (certificate) to acknowledge their achievements.

Recipients of the awards travel to Wellington with their nominator and social worker (or other support person) where they will meet the Prime Minister, attend the award ceremony and formally receive their scholarship.

To enter, please complete all sections of this nomination form and email the PDF document to **PrimeMinistersAwards@ot.govt.nz** by **Friday 4 September**.

I mua i tō tīmatanga

Before you start

Please check the young person you are nominating meets the awards criteria:

- Are they aged between 15-21 years at the time applications are called for?
- Are they currently care experienced or have been within the last two years?

Any young person who has been in Oranga Tamariki care, youth justice, or in the care of iwi or NGO providers is eligible to be nominated for the awards by social workers, caregivers, teachers and other community members who are involved in their lives.

Ngā kaiwhakawā

The selection panel

The selection panel is made up of representatives from NGO and sector partners, Oranga Tamariki Leadership Team and a previous recipient of a 2019 Prime Minister's Oranga Tamariki Award.

Each year the panel looks to support up to 20 care experienced rangatahi.

Ngā whakaritenga tuhi tautapanga

Guidelines for writing your nomination

- Choose the award category (or categories) carefully and nominate one (or more) that best suits the potential and journey of the young person
- Describe why the young person is most suited to the award/s they are being nominated for
- Explain why the young person is outstanding and the outcomes and impacts of their contribution
- Describe how winning an award will support the young person to realise their dreams
- Focus on quality not quantity
- Check all the information required before starting the nomination entry form

Te whakakī me te tuku atu i tō tautapatanga

Completing and submitting your nomination

- Download the PDF nomination form from the website and save this onto your computer.
- Open the PDF form and start filling out the details. You can complete the form in stages, remembering to save the changes as you go. When you re-open the form check you are working from your latest version. Once you have completed the form check that every question has been answered. You should have five boxes fully completed.
- If you are submitting supporting evidence, please ensure this is saved into a separate PDF document and that your evidence is limited to three items.
- Email your completed PDF nomination entry form along with your PDF document with supporting evidence (if you are providing this) as attachments on an email message and send to **PrimeMinistersAwards@ot.govt.nz**

Supporting evidence

Evidence to support the story of the young person is a strong part of your nomination.

Evidence can include images of their artwork, photographs and testimonials, they help tell a strong story and demonstrate their talents or skills. This is an opportunity to involve young people in the nomination process.

Supporting evidence is limited to three items saved into one PDF document. This is emailed as an attachment along with the completed nomination entry form attachment to **PrimeMinistersAwards@ot.govt.nz**

Videos

You can upload a single video file with your entry of no longer than five minutes, to the video-sharing site Vimeo. Please see the FAQs on our website for more information.

Your nomination is confidential

Your nomination form and any video file you submit with your entry will remain confidential and will never be published.

Kei te hiahia āwhina koe ki te whakaoti i tō tautapatanga?

Do you need help with your nomination?

If you have any questions or need help as you prepare your nomination, please feel free to contact us – we'll be happy to help. For more information, visit the FAQs section of our website.

Kia Eke Panuku

Overcoming adversity, on a continuous journey
towards success

Nomination form

Contact details



Please fill in the contact details for the nominee and nominator below.

Nominee information

Details of the young person being nominated.

First Name/s:

Surname:

Preferred name:

Date of birth:

Gender:

Ethnicity:

Iwi:

Legal status under the Oranga Tamariki Act 1989:

Street Address:

Suburb:

Town/City:

Postcode:

Contact number:

Caregivers name:

Name of young person's
social worker:

Nominator information

Details of the person nominating the young person

First Name/s

Surname:

Organisation
(if relevant):

Relationship to
young person:

Contact number:

PO Box or
street address:

Town/City:

Suburb:

If your young person is a successful nominee, we will check the following:

- **Do they consent to their Iwi representative being informed?**
- **Do they agree to being celebrated in news stories?** This may include internal news channels, or regional newspapers, magazines and television.

In the interim please consider whether this is a possibility and advise from the following options:

Unsure

Interested in internal news channels only

Does not consent to their Iwi
representative being informed

Consents to their Iwi representative
being informed

Does not wish to be identified

Interested in external media (regional
newspapers, magazines, television)

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Award Categories



Please tell us which award category or categories you wish to nominate your young person for.

You may nominate your young person for more than one category. Choose carefully and nominate them for the award/s that best suit them.

Please be specific in outlining the reason you are nominating them for that specific category, and note that the selection panel may also consider your nomination in other categories you have not entered if they consider your nominee to be strong in a particular area.

Please discuss with your young person that you are nominating them for these awards and what category (or categories) you think would best suit them. It's also important that you discuss with them that if they don't receive a scholarship they will be acknowledged with a certificate and given continued support to pursue future opportunities.

Te Ihumanea – Academic Go-Getter

This award recognises a young person who enjoys learning and commits to establishing and achieving study goals to reach their full potential. They like to challenge themselves and others, learn and teach with others and enjoy the success that comes from their commitment.

The award recognises academic achievement and enables students to take up new challenges and experiences by furthering their tertiary education. This could be achieved by gaining a qualification such as a certificate, diploma, graduate or post-graduate degree at any of the tertiary providers including Wānanga, institutes, universities or online tertiary providers.

Te Rakahinonga Anaha – Creative Entrepreneur

This award recognises a young person who has demonstrated a significant level of achievement in the arts or creative fields or has used arts or creativity to effect change in their community.

This award encompasses performing arts, entertainment, events, graphic design, dance, music, fine arts, film, acting and theatre and can be used towards an internship or to attend an academy or short term course, tertiary institute, drama school or theatre studies or anything similar that supports their development in this area.

Te Karahipi GFS – GFS Scholarship (Greater Wellington Region only)

This scholarship is awarded to a young woman in the greater Wellington region to further her education at an approved tertiary institution. It offers up to \$3000 per annum for up to three years. It also provides mentoring where a GFS representative will communicate regularly with the student to ensure she is getting the support she needs.

The Greater Wellington Region includes Whanganui, Wairarapa and Wellington.

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Te Karahipi Wheako Taiao – Outward Bound Scholarship

Outward Bound is an opportunity to learn through experience and helps young people reach their full potential through challenge in the outdoors. The classroom is the mountains, bush and waterways of the Marlborough Sounds and the courses are based on real adventure. The experiences are physical, mental and emotional and no previous outdoors experience is needed to participate.

This scholarship covers the full cost of a 21 day Outward Bound course. Travel to Picton and the cost of a doctor's appointment are additional. Outward Bound provides all the specialist outdoor equipment and gear, they also can lend attendees a number of items. However, there may be some clothing costs related to the course.

When nominating your rangatahi for an Outward Bound course, please ensure they understand what the experience can bring to their lives and why they are the ideal candidate for this scholarship. Check www.outwardbound.org.nz for more details.

Te Mahi a Rehe – Skills and Technology Achiever

This award celebrates a young person who has shown interest and competence in a specific role or industry. It provides a chance for them to develop the skills and knowledge to get from where they are today to where they want to be tomorrow with education and training.

The range of apprenticeships and qualifications on offer is as extensive as the industries who provide structured on-the-job learning. Though some qualifications can be done in a classroom setting, many of them are designed to be achieved by working actively in the role.

A selection of industries providing vocational learning include –

Building and construction, community support services, engineering, manufacturing, communications and media, maritime and rail transport, civil construction, electricity supply and transmission, water, telecommunications, hairdressing, barbering and beauty, textile fabrication, agriculture and horticulture, dairy manufacturing, meat processing and seafood, energy and chemical plant, tourism, travel and hospitality, sports, fitness and recreation, plumbing, gas fitting, drain laying and roofing, financial services, local government, public sector, ambulance, emergency management and fire services.

Te Iho Pumanaua – Whakamana Tangata

This award recognises a young person who has demonstrated an outstanding contribution to their whānau, community, church or school, or has acted in a way that has inspired others through their language and culture to make a positive change in their own life or the lives of others.

This could be used towards leadership or personal development courses or an internship with community trusts and facilitating organisations or advocate programmes.

All scholarships can be used towards Hostel or Halls of Residence fees as well as technology such as laptops and other equipment to support their studies.

They cannot be used for home rental costs or personal purchases such as cars.

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About the young person



1. Introduce your nominee

Let us get to know your nominee

Write a paragraph that sums up your entry, including the category or categories you're nominating the young person for and why. Please include why you think the selection panel should choose this young person to receive a Prime Minister's Oranga Tamariki Award.

Write a brief statement about the strengths and achievements of the young person.

Please write a paragraph to describe their personal strengths and how they play out in their whānau, community, church and school. This could include comments around their resilience, empathy and leadership.

Please add an additional paragraph if you would also like to comment on their academic, cultural, arts or sporting achievements, or any other area they have excelled in.

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About the young person



2. Tell us about their aspirations

Let us get to know your nominee

Think about this young person and then share with us:

- How they view the opportunity this award will offer them
- The impact this opportunity may have for them, their whānau and the community
- The progress and achievement you believe this opportunity will bring them

3. Describe their journey so far

Please write a paragraph to outline the challenges they have overcome, including their involvement in the care system.

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About the young person



4. Tell us about their current environment

Please write a paragraph to describe their living arrangements which may include:

- Who their caregivers are and how long they've been with them?
- How they're transitioning to independence
- How they are being supported by other agencies and organisations

5. How will their aspirational journey continue?

Summarise why you support developing this young person's capabilities and how you think they will be able to build on their current achievements so far. Please describe how winning an award will support them to realise their dreams.

Supporting evidence

Please supply up to a maximum of three relevant pieces of information that further supports their nomination in their specific category or categories. Please present the evidence in a way the selection panel will find interesting which can include images of art work and photographs. If you are including references or school reports please highlight how this supports their strengths and achievements.

Nomination form

Submitting your nomination



Checklist, approval and submission

Confirm the content of your entry, that all the information is complete and that the eligibility requirements have been met.

Are the contact details for the nominee and nominator complete and accurate?

Have you clearly marked the award category (or categories) you are nominating the young person for?

Have you completed questions 1 to 5 of this nomination form?

Have you included your supporting evidence (if you are providing it)?

Video file. Are you submitting a video file with your entry?

If you're submitting a video entry via video-sharing site Vimeo please provide the URL (link) and password below. Please refer to the FAQs on the website for more information.

URL (link):

Password:

Confirmation Statements:

I confirm this entry meets the Prime Minister's Oranga Tamariki Awards eligibility criteria

I confirm this entry is a true and accurate record

I confirm I have Site Manager Approval (Oranga Tamariki applications only)

Your name:

Your signature:

Date:

I confirm that I have read this nomination and formally approve the nomination to be submitted for a Prime Minister's Oranga Tamariki Award.

Submit your nomination

The final date for submission is **Friday 4 September 2020**.

To submit your entry please email this completed PDF document with your PDF of supporting evidence (if you are providing this) to **PrimeMinistersAwards@ot.govt.nz**.

Please note:

- You can only submit one nomination form and one file of supporting evidence for each person you nominate.
- These must be attached as PDF documents on the same email.

Thank you for entering the Prime Minister's Oranga Tamariki Awards 2020