

## OneSchool Global – New Zealand

<https://www.oneschoolglobal.com/>

# of unique students – Up to 1,537

Type of provider – School, private

Primary distance modality – Synchronous & Asynchronous

**OneSchool Global – New Zealand declined to participate in this year’s study. The profile below was created using publicly available material**

### Background

OneSchool Global – New Zealand (OneSchool Global) is a co-educational, private composite school based in Auckland. The *Education and Training Act, 2020* defines a composite school as “a school that offers education to students in any of years 1 to 8 and in any of years 9 to 13” (Government of New Zealand, 2024a, p. 38). The school is a part of a network of schools that include more than 120 campuses in 20 countries. OneSchool Global was established by the Plymouth Brethren Christian Church.

The school began in New Zealand in 2003 as a brick-and-mortar school called Westmount School with 11 campuses. In fact, OneSchool Global still has 17 campuses across New Zealand, and OneSchool Global New Zealand also works closely with three campuses in Argentina. At some point during the past twenty years OneSchool Global transitioned to include an online delivery option for students.

### Governance

According to the *Education and Training Act 2020*, a private school is defined as a school registered under section 214, which reads:

#### 214 Registration of private schools

- (1) This section applies if the managers of an existing school or proposed school wish the school to be registered as a private school under this section.
- (2) The managers must apply to the Secretary, on a form provided by the Secretary for the purpose, for its provisional registration as a primary, secondary, or special private school, or as a school of 2 or all of those descriptions.
- (3) The provisional and full registration of private schools, and the operation of private schools, must be done in accordance with Schedule 7. (p. 164)

Schedule 7 of the act provides approximately 10 pages of legislative regulation around the following areas.

- Provisional and full registration of private schools
- Criteria for registration as private school
- Suitable premises
- Additional and substituted premises to be approved
- Tuition standards
- Managers to be fit and proper persons
- Manager must have regard to statement of national education and learning priorities
- Managers must advise Secretary of school ceasing operation
- Review of private schools
- Secretary's actions in relation to private schools
- Duration of suspension
- Process for cancellation of registration
- Grants for private schools
- Record-keeping in relation to grants to private schools
- Providing accounts to Secretary
- Suspensions and expulsions from private schools

## Resourcing

As OneSchool Global declined to participate, there was no information available with respect to resourcing.

However, the government does provide grants to private schools through the private school subsidy funding pool (Ministry of Education, 2024a), which is distributed at a set rate per student. According to *Circular 2022/08 – Private School Subsidy Funding 2023* the rates for 2023 were (Ministry of Education, 2022):

Year Level	2023 Funding Rate GST Exclusive	2023 Funding Rate GST Inclusive
Year 1-6	\$880.54	\$1,012.62
Year 7-8	\$964.23	\$1,108.87
Year 9-10	\$1,234.01	\$1,419.11
Year 11-15	\$1,874.16	\$2,155.28

Based on the data from *Official Information Act Request 1321408*, OneSchool Global received funds in 2023 from this subsidy (Ministry of Education, 2024b). Unfortunately, the response to the request only lists the schools that received funding, and not the amount of funding or any details on how it was used.

## Programming

OneSchool Global uses a self-directed learning approach beginning around year 3. This approach is operationalised by having the students set goals for learning in diaries, which they can reflect on with their teachers on how and whether they have achieved those goals. The actual learning is supported through a mixture of online and face-to-face methods of curriculum delivery. The online portions include both synchronous online classes and a comprehensive collection of asynchronous course content housed in a learning management system.

Even though OneSchool Global – New Zealand is based in New Zealand, the instructional materials and the direct instruction could come from anywhere in their network – as the network is designed to operate as a single multi-national school.

## Activity

According to the *Education Counts* website, the school enrolment is described as so.

Level	Total
Year 01	0
Year 02	2
Year 03	147
Year 04	133
Year 05	125
Year 06	118
Year 07	159
Year 08	130
Year 09	119
Year 10	130
Year 11	147
Year 12	157
Year 13+	170
Total	1,537

There was only a single student of Māori descent enrolled.

However, as OneSchool Global declined to participate and the school does operate 17 campuses, it is impossible to determine how many of these students were involved and/or enrolled in their online programming.