EKETAHUNA SCHOOL

Code of Conduct - Trustees

A Trustee shall:

- ensure that the needs of all children and their learning shall be paramount.
- maintain and understand the values and goals of the school.
- ensure that all students are provided with an education which respects their dignity, rights and individuality, and which challenges them to achieve personal standards of excellence and to reach their full potential.
- serve their school and their community to the best of their ability and be honest, reliable and trustworthy in all matters relevant to their roles and responsibilities; including any potential conflicts of interest.
- be diligent and attend board meetings prepared for full and appropriate participation in decision making.
- respect the integrity of staff, principal, parents and students.
- be loyal to the school and its charter.
- maintain the confidentiality and trust vested in them.
- ensure strict confidentiality of papers and information related to the Boards collective position as employer.
- act as good employers.
- ensure that individual trustees do not act independently of the Board's decisions.
- ensure that any disagreements with the Board's stance on matters relating to the employer position are to be resolved within the Board.
- recognise that only the chairperson can speak for the Board.
- exercise their power of governance in a way that fulfils the intent of the Treaty of Waitangi by valuing and reflecting New Zealand's dual cultural heritage.

The Board of Trustees Accepts the Following:

The Principal is the professional leader of the school and is responsible to the Board of Trustees. The responsibilities of the Principal will be stated in another document held by the school and available for public inspection.