

‘Additional entitlement to enrol in certain circumstances’ provision (‘Grandparenting’)

All students enrolled at the school at the time of the amendment to the enrolment scheme will remain enrolled.

Under certain circumstances, the Ministry of Education is able to approve the enrolment of siblings of current students at the school despite their addresses becoming out of zone as a result of the zone change. The Ministry can approve this if it can be managed within the existing school network and it is in the best interests of the school and local community.

This will allow siblings of current students to retain the right to enrol as in-zone students at the school in the future, provided certain criteria are met.

You can see if your child may qualify in the flow chart on the next page.

What does this mean for my family/whānau?

- Any learner/ākonga currently enrolled at the school will not be impacted by a change to the enrolment scheme.
- If your address becomes out of zone due to a reduction in the scheme, the address will continue to be considered “in-zone” but only for as long as it contains children who are younger siblings of current students (at the time of the **implementation** of the scheme). These younger siblings therefore have an ‘additional entitlement to enrol’ as in-zone students.
- If an address becomes part of a different school’s enrolment scheme, students not yet enrolled at a school will be able to attend the school that they will then be in-zone for.
- An in-zone enrolment is automatically entitled to enrol at the school. An out of zone enrolment (not covered under these provisions) is not guaranteed a place at the school and you will need to apply through the school’s out of zone processes if there are spaces available.

What is the difference between ‘pre-enrolment’ and ‘enrolment’?

‘Pre-enrolment’ means the period in which applications for enrolment are invited and processed by a school. ‘Enrolment’ occurs when attendance at the school starts and the student is first marked as present on the school roll.

Therefore, enrolment scheme changes apply to students whose enrolment is at or after the **commencement** date of the zone change.

However, the Additional Entitlement to Enrol provision is determined based on the **implementation** date, not the **commencement** date.

Implementation date

This is the date that the Board ‘adopts’ the enrolment scheme at a Board meeting. It is after the Ministry has sent the approved scheme to the school. It is before the commencement date, sometimes by several months.

Commencement date

The date an enrolment scheme starts (the “effective” or “start” date). The new/amended zone applies to enrolments from this date onwards.

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Is my younger child eligible for 'additional entitlement to enrol'?

