

TAURANGA GIRLS' COLLEGE SCHOOL BOARD
OPERATIONAL POLICY 06
Cyber Safety

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Outcome Statement

To create a safe and secure online environment for students, staff, and the wider College community where responsible digital citizenship is achieved, and the risks are mitigated.

Policy

This College requires that all members of the school community use digital resources responsibly, respecting the rights and wellbeing of others. Internet and digital resources will be used for educational purposes in accordance with the NZ curriculum, and the College will provide education and training to promote cyber-safety awareness among students, staff, and parents. The personal information of students, staff, and parents will be handled with the utmost of care as required by the relevant privacy laws.

Expectations and Limitations

- All users are expected to adhere to the guidelines of this policy.
- Teachers will actively monitor and supervise students during digital activities.
- Parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's online activities and education.
- Any incident of cyber-bullying will be treated seriously and addressed promptly.
- The school cannot guarantee absolute security, and users are reminded to exercise caution online and report any concerns to the principal promptly.

Delegations

The Board delegates to the principal the responsibility for:

- the overall implementation and monitoring of this policy
- the taking of immediate action to address any incidents of cyber-bullying
- providing appropriate professional development for staff
- including cyber-safety as a subset in the monthly health and safety report to the Board.

Relevant Legislation

[Digital technology: Safe and Responsible Use in Schools. Ministry of Education.](#)

[Harmful Digital Communications Act 2015](#)

[Privacy Act 2020](#)

[Children's Act 2014](#)