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MAC'S 2025 NCEA RESULTS CONTINUE TREND OF ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Te Kura o Titiea Mount Aspiring College students have achieved excellent NCEA results, exceeding national pass rates and performing strongly against schools in the same equity band.

Principal Nicola Jacobsen said she was delighted with the results which demonstrated consistently high levels of performance.

“We have continued to place a strong emphasis on improving endorsement outcomes, particularly at NCEA Levels 2 and 3. These endorsements reflect students’ sustained high achievement through the attainment of excellence-level credits so it’s encouraging to see continued success in this area.”

Mrs Jacobsen said the school’s strong numeracy and literacy results at NCEA Level 1 demonstrated that students were building a solid foundation in reading, writing and maths.

“Right from Year 7, we prioritise literacy and numeracy for all students, supported by targeted programmes for students who need extra support.

“To gain an NCEA qualification at Levels 1, 2 or 3, students must meet the literacy and numeracy requirements. Our results show that students are well prepared for the increasingly demanding learning they will encounter in their senior years.”

She said student wellbeing remained a priority due to its important role in the engagement, learning and social and emotional development of students.

“We want every student to be supported to achieve their personal best and to be well prepared for their future tertiary and vocational pathways.

“I am incredibly proud of our students for their effort, commitment and resilience, and very grateful to our staff whose skill and dedication provide our students with exceptional support.”

The following results are provisional. The NZQA will publish the final results at the end of February.

| Achievement | School % | National % | Equity band % |
|---------------------------------|----------|------------|---------------|
| NCEA Level 1 | 84 | 72 | 82 |
| Merit + Excellence endorsements | 38 | 37 | 51 |
| Level 1 literacy and numeracy | 92 | 73 | 86 |
| NCEA Level 2 | 89 | 73 | 86 |
| Merit + Excellence endorsements | 48 | 41 | 51 |
| NCEA Level 3 | 85 | 70 | 84 |
| Merit + Excellence endorsements | 53 | 41 | 50 |
| University entrance | 70 | 50 | 69 |

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