

Involve past students

A suggestion for implementing the strategy

'Take a community approach ' from the Guide:

[Inclusive classroom culture](#)

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- Includes:**
- Connect with past students
 - Have high expectations
 - Invite students to share

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Connect with past students

Consider how you can utilise the experiences and stories of past students to motivate and inspire learners.

- ✓ Identify role models from your local community.
- ✓ Seek out and make contact with local iwi.
- ✓ Identify role models across sectors, for example sports, arts, business, medical or science fields.
- ✓ Create opportunities face to face or online where students can connect and ask questions.

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Have high expectations

Two students with low vision discuss the importance of high expectations.



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Invite students to share

Create opportunities for past students to share their story. It can motivate and inspire other learners.



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