

# Develop whole-school careers education

A well-designed, whole-school approach to careers education and guidance is an integral part of preparing students for life beyond school.

Careers education starts in Years 7 and 8 and continues throughout the student's life in school.

Careers New Zealand's benchmarks and ERO's evaluations of careers education have identified key school-wide approaches to careers education.

- Detailed planning to develop careers education and guidance programmes, including professional development for staff.
- Designing specific careers education and guidance programmes across year levels and subject areas, starting at Years 7 and 8.
- Providing targeted careers education and guidance for key groups.
- Providing careers education and guidance as part of pastoral support and academic counselling.
- Identifying outcomes for students.
- Reviewing coverage, quality and outcomes of careers education and guidance.

For more help, see [careers.govt.nz](https://careers.govt.nz):

- [Planning career development](#)
- [Rangatahi futures](#)

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