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Whānau perspectives on disability

Parents and whānau will have differing perspectives on inclusion, disability and accessing learning support for their children. There is no one approach to partnering with them.

Find out about their:

- values and beliefs about disability and inclusion (including knowledge of their whakapapa [genealogy])
- personal experiences of learning
- hopes and dreams for their child
- fears and anxieties
- expectations around support for learning.

Where parent and whānau values and expectations differ from those of your school, be open to learning from parents.

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