

Cultural competencies of teachers

Effective teaching and learning depends on the relationship between teachers and students, and students' active engagement.

Tātaiako: Cultural competencies describe the competencies teachers need, and what the results could look like for learners and their whānau when they are put into practice.

- **Wānanga:** participating with learners and communities in robust dialogue for the benefit of Māori learners' achievement.
- **Whanaungatanga:** actively engaging in respectful working relationships with Māori learners, parents, whānau, hapū, and iwi.
- **Manaakitanga:** showing integrity, sincerity, and respect towards Māori beliefs, language, and culture.
- **Tangata whenuatanga:** affirming Māori learners as Māori; providing contexts for learning where the language, identity, and culture of Māori learners and their whānau is affirmed.
- **Ako:** taking responsibility for their own learning and that of Māori learners.

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