

2023 Board Student Representative Nominations

**Kyra- Lynn
BARCLAY**



Tēnā koutou katoa, ko Kyra tōku ingoa, and I'm a year 11 learner applying to be your next student rep for the school board.

I'm fun, interactive, sociable, and ready to tackle challenges. I thrive on collaboration and believe working together is the key to success. Do you want your voice to be heard? I have ears that will listen! I will tackle severe matters because what you say matters, and our decision-makers need to hear.

You may have seen me during performances at Polyfest, Matariki, and assemblies. I'm passionate about learning my culture, embracing it, and performing. I have been in school productions, including Mulan, Niu Sila, and Bugsy Malone. I'm in senior kapa haka and Hibiscus Tuakana, which made me super involved in Pasifika & Māori. These experiences have honed my teamwork and leadership skills, essential for a student rep. I'm dedicated to my cause, which is to see all students thrive across all areas of school and have space to grow as an individual.

My school experiences have one thing in common - Whānau. I think all learners should feel like they belong to something here at Whangaparāoa College. It is vital to having a successful school experience because, without that feeling of whānau, school can be a little lonely.

I have seen a decline in active participation in school, which I would like to address should I be elected as the school board rep. If elected, I will increase participation by listening to what our learners want, including academics. I'm a proactive problem-solver, working tirelessly to ensure our group activities increase and things like engaging and inclusive literacy and numeracy programs.

Nevertheless, I genuinely care about improving the school for all of us. I want to join the school board to impact learning and culture for all students. I want to focus on the positive aspects of education, not just the hard academic pressure students face. I wish to seek solutions that benefit everyone. My interactive and friendly nature makes me approachable, and I want to be the bridge that fills in the gap between the student body and the board and amplifies your voices.

Vote for me, Kyra-Lynn Barclay, as your student rep to be recognised, not just heard!

**Amelie
CHE**



Hey Whangaparāoa Students, I'm thrilled to announce my candidacy for the role of Board Student Representative. I'm passionate about making sure everyone's voices are heard, and I'm excited to bring your ideas to the table.

I get that sometimes it's tough for students to connect with the board, but I'm here to bridge that gap. With my knack for communication, I'll be the one making sure your concerns and suggestions get to the right people. You talk, I'll listen, and together, we'll make change happen.

Diversity matters, and I'm all about it. Being a former international student, I know how it feels to not be included, so I'll do my best to make sure that doesn't happen. Every voice counts, no matter who you are. Let's create a place where everyone feels valued and validated.

Transparency? You got it. I promise to keep you in the loop about board decisions (as long as I'm allowed) and the progress we're making on the things that matter to you. Because you deserve to know what's going on.

So, Year 7 to 13, I need your support. Let's show everyone that students have a say and that our ideas can change things. Thanks for considering me as the one to represent you on the board.

**Noa
KROUPKIN**



Hello everyone, I'm excited to be a candidate for the Student Board Representative role. I'm not just seeking a position; I'm vying to be your advocate, listener, and ally. As a dedicated student who's been here for five years, I've navigated the challenges of our school first hand, and witnessed the potential within our community. If elected, I'm committed to amplifying our concerns and ideas.

I'll be a tireless advocate for open dialogue and collaboration among students, teachers, and administrators. By encouraging clear communication, I want to include student opinions in crucial decisions that affect everyone. My guarantee is to serve with dedication, integrity, and a steadfast commitment to representing your voices.

Thank you for considering me. Your vote is your voice. Let's shape our school's future collectively.

**Sophia
MICUA**



Hi I'm Sophia from 11XUM. You might be asking yourself what is the board student representative? Well, I can gladly answer for you :)

A student board representative is someone who represents the whole school and discusses the problems or improvements around our community, someone who will represent the school is eager to listen, support, and able to improve the school. I am here eager to know your thoughts on how we can create this school a better environment, know your passions, and raise issues we have currently. Please know that every opinion is a valid opinion I want to ensure that YOU are valid in any solution. I'll be here every step of the way, If you have some issues we can discuss them together because we are a team, just like any sports team we need a strategy to accomplish our goals and I can strategize for our college's community's future and aspirations. Sometimes in life, we may fail but I believe if we come together as one we can create our goals into reality. This is my goal for this school to be the future board student representative and bring our community close together to accomplish the issues we have today. So today I ask you, do you believe in my statement?

As a Whangaparāoa College community, we will strive together and achieve to accomplish our hopes and dreams. As our college slogan goes Together, Believe, Achieve which is what I value.

**Shilei
RALPH**



Kia Ora, my name is Shilei Ralph, I'm a Year 12 learner.

I believe that I would make a great candidate to be a student representative on the Board because of my dedication to creating an inclusive and positive school environment. With a strong commitment to actively listen to my peers, I am confident in my ability to share and represent their ideas and concerns. I am an approachable and enthusiastic learner, and I'm heavily involved in extracurricular activities. I'm a part of the school Dance troupes, and I helped lead ShowQuest, I was a Netball coach this season. I have also been helping as Deputy House leader of Water House this year. I'm passionate about letting others voice their opinions, and I would love to build the class representative group to get the ideas of all age groups to the Board, so that we can enhance the overall school experience. As I am heavily involved in extracurriculars and leadership roles that allow me to get involved with younger age groups, I've been able to hear from a variety of learners about their concerns and ideas for the school. I would love the opportunity to be the voice for the learners, and help to get their opinions heard.

**Charlie
TEVIOTDALE**



Hi, my name is Charlie Teviotdale and I am putting my name in for the student rep.

I would like to be part of the board of trustees. I think that I would be a good candidate for this position because: I am very well-known around the community and the school and have a good rapport with many people. I am usually very organised and punctual. I am very good at making smart and informed decisions and aren't easily influenced to change my decision without a reason. I am a very good listener and I am willing to take on other people's opinions without judging. I think that I am a confident person, not scared to ask questions and speak in front of others. I think that I have pretty good Ideas and can come up with solutions to problems that we are facing. I strongly believe that I have the necessary qualities and skills to excel as a student representative. I will commit to this job, and I will work tirelessly to ensure that the student body's needs and concerns are heard and addressed. I will do so with the utmost diligence and dedication.

**Maddie
YOUNG**



Kia Ora, my name is Maddie and I am a year 10 learner here at Whangaparāoa College. The reason that I am running to be the board student rep is because I want to implement change in this kura. It is my vision that all groups of learners: artistic, sporty, cultural, and all in between receive the recognition that they are due. I believe that every student is deserving of their hard efforts being acknowledged. I promise that if I am nominated, I will fight tooth and nail for our rights to be seen, and our voice to be heard.

**Your voice. Your school.
Ko tō reo. Ko tō kura.**



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