

What is **Vaka**?

- A summer school programme run by Teach First NZ: Ako Mātātupu (for more information about Teach First NZ: Ako Mātātupu use this link <https://teachfirstnz.org/>)
- An opportunity for your learners to get ahead, make a start or complete a requirement.

What is the purpose of **Vaka**?

- Vaka has a dual purpose:
 1. to provide ākonga Vaka/learners with a meaningful, connected, productive and fun learning experience.
 2. to provide kaiako Vaka/Teach First NZ: Ako Mātātupu participants with valuable opportunities to build educationally productive relationships, deliver targeted content and improve their practice.

What does **Vaka** offer?

- Vaka ākonga/learners will be able to complete free courses in one of the following: Junior Literacy, Numeracy, Science or Te Reo; Senior Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Te Reo, English, Digital Technology or Technology.
- Free lunch!
- Free workshops DJ, Hip Hop, Rap, Spoken Word, Song Writing, Sports Coaching, Careers.
- Connections across schools, year levels and subjects.

When is **Vaka**?

- Mon 7 - Fri 11 January 2019

Where is **Vaka**?

- In 2019 Vaka will be run at two locations South Central and West Auckland
 - Onehunga High School
 - Waitakere College

Who can get on the **Vaka**?

- Students entering Year 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 or 13 in January 2019.
- Students transitioning to tertiary in 2019.

What do schools do to get on the **Vaka**?

- Previously we required a teacher to attend with the students, this is not required any more.
- You will need a teacher/coordinator or senior student to coordinate a register at your school.
- Identify students that would make the most of the opportunity to attend Vaka.
- Subject teachers or students nominate a subject for Vaka.
- Subject teachers or schools can work together with Mind Lab and Teach First NZ: Ako Mātātupu to develop units of work for a particular group of students.

Where can we get further information?

- Email: vaka@teachfirstnz.org
- Vaka will provide regular updates with more information and opportunities to register.
- Click [HERE](#) to register for Vaka.



FAQs
Schools information



- Prefer kanohi ki te kanohi, face to face, we are happy to come to you and outline the **Vaka** opportunity. Reply to this email and we can meet at your earliest convenience.