

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/>)

What is the purpose of Vaka?

- Vaka has a dual purpose:
 1. to provide ākonga Vaka/students 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?

- A platform to frontload vocabulary and skills for the coming year.
- Opportunities to start units of work that require added time and support.
- Completion, revision, or further assessment opportunities.
- Feedback and feedforward
- Work collaboratively with Mind Lab and Teach First NZ: Ako Mātātupu to develop a unit of work for your students OR
- Provide some details and leave it to us OR
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- Five free days of learning, food and workshops.

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 can teachers do to get their learners on the Vaka?

- Previously we required a teacher to attend with the students, this is not required any more.
- Coordinate a register of details of students who will attend (forms provided).
- Identify students in your subject area, classes or across the school that would make the most of the opportunity to attend Vaka.
- Assist students to select the subject area that will support them the most.
- Provide information as it comes to hand to the 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
Teachers 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.