

Why an "All Girls' School"?

Because every parent wants to provide the best education for their daughter, and the research continues to show that an "all girls' school" education will provide that.



At Rotorua Girls' High School we are aware of the differences, and we design our teaching programmes with our young women in mind – it's easy. We celebrate all their achievements and these are many – culminating in our amazing leaver data in 2009 where females of every ethnicity had more chance of obtaining an NCEA certificate at Rotorua Girls' High School than at any other Rotorua High School and in 2010 when more female NCEA Level 1, 2 and 3 certificates were gained than at any other Rotorua school.

At Rotorua Girls' High School, every girl is important, and this is the basis of our success. "Every Girl Counts", for continuous improvements, because this means better outcomes for all our students.

This means your daughter will be educated in a safe, friendly, supportive environment, by caring and knowledgeable teachers who teach in the best possible facilities.

I invite you to come and see what Rotorua Girls' High School can offer your daughter.

You can check out our website
www.rghs.school.nz
or contact me for an appointment

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Studies show that girls in all girls' schools:

- ✓ Are more likely to choose Maths and Science courses and excel in them.
- ✓ Do better academically and in examinations for university entrance.
- ✓ Are more likely to go on to tertiary education.
- ✓ Have a less stereotyped view of men's versus women's occupations.
- ✓ Have a greater sense of self-esteem.
- ✓ Are more likely to graduate from tertiary studies.
- ✓ Are more likely to be professionals or hold executive or managerial positions in business.
- ✓ Are more likely to take on leadership positions.
- ✓ Are more likely to be involved in sporting and cultural activities.
- ✓ See strong female role models and understand that they too can achieve successful outcomes from their own efforts.
- ✓ Thrive and excel in collaborative teams.
- ✓ Celebrate achievement.
- ✓ Experience less peer pressure to be a particular type of girl.

In all girls' schools, girls can do anything because they have to do everything ...

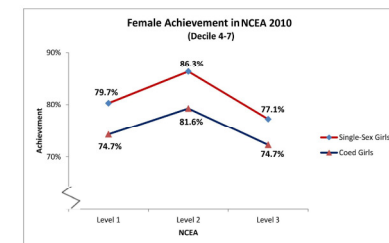
WHY DO GIRLS' SCHOOLS HAVE SUCH GOOD ACADEMIC RESULTS?

Scientists at the University of Luanne have found that "fundamental gender differences exist in the structure of the human cerebral cortex". While it is not possible to tell by looking at someone's brain if they are Black or White or Asian, you can tell whether that person is male or female.

Such differences affect how males and females learn, from babyhood on.

Little wonder then, when a teacher faces a girls' only class, that the learning styles, group dynamics, teaching methods and pace of the lesson can be orientated to the way girls' brains "work". It is known that girls mature socially at a younger age than boys and this, too, has an effect on the rate and levels of learning in the classroom.

Educational Research shows that Girls from Single-Sex Schools achieve better than Girls from Coeducational Schools in NCEA Levels 1, 2 and 3 in 2009 (see graph below).



It is for these reasons that girls' only schools continue to be sought after internationally, and why the outcomes generated in them continue to assure parents that they have made the right choice for their daughter.

Think about the choices available in this city for your daughter, and then come and see what is available at Rotorua Girls' High School.

What makes Rotorua Girls' High School a "cool school"

- Teachers who really care.
- 2009 ERO Report – Five Year Tick.
- Outstanding academic results for our leavers – 2010 97% Numeracy Rate
- Greatest range of subject choices around.
- Dance Studio and Rotorua's ARENA.
- Top sports participation in the Bay of Plenty (over 90%).
- Lots of events – ball, bands, Young Scholar Awards, Talent Quest, Cultural Talent Quest, classical jazz evening, drama, debating and speech competitions.
- Raukura Regional Winners 2009, 2011; Runners Up Nationals 2010.
- Socials and Productions with Rotorua Boys' High School.
- Student Café and Uniform Shop on site.
- Students run things – Student Council, Kahui Rangatahi, Environmental Committee, Market Day.
- Shakespeare in Schools Regional Runners Up 2011.
- Stage Challenge successes – first in 2005, 2007, 2008; Runner Up 2010; 8 Awards 2011.
- International focus – lots of overseas links, exchanges, CATCH and school trips.
- Music, Dance, Art Facilities and the Nina Hogan Performing Arts Centre.
- ICT facilities throughout school are outstanding – data projector in every classroom.
- Junior and Senior Graduation.
- A great school environment.



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