Department Report

Academic Year 2023-2024

Mathematics



SUMMARY OF 2023 ACADEMIC YEAR

SECTION ONE: Executive Summary

Vision

To enable all students to develop a positive identity as mathematics learners, to support them as they use mathematics to make sense of the world, and to help them make critical decisions based on mathematically sound principles.

Mathematics Department Goals 2023

The mathematics department goals were co-constructed with the mathematics staff to meet the needs of our students. The goals are in line with the school goals, which allow students to progress and achieve their highest educational potential and continue to pursue lifelong learning in the world around them.

School Goals Measures	Department Goals
1 (a) All students attend school at least 90% of the time.	All students attend school at least 90% of the time.
1 (b) More than 85% of our students leave with NCEA Level 2 or move to further education or training.	At least 60% of Year 9 students finish the year with a minimum at least 60% of Year 10 students finish the year with a
1 (c) Level 1 NCEA pass rates will be at least at the national average of 72%.	All leavers have Level 1 Numeracy.
	More than 85% of Year 11 students achieve a minimum of 16 credits in Level 1 Maths and more than 85% of Year 12 and 13 students achieve a minimum of 12 credits in Level 2 and 3 Maths.
2 (b) Delivering highly engaging programmes, with quality review processes for continuous improvement.	Implement differentiated teaching and learning in all junior classrooms.

Highlights and Concerns for the 2023 Academic Year

Highlights

- The progress of NUM100 students was closely monitored to identify those at risk of not passing Level 1 Numeracy.
- A differentiated program was offered to Year 10 students who passed the Numeracy CAA to create more opportunities for further success.
- was placed in the Top 30 in the Otago University Mathematics Competition. in the top 15% of the students and was awarded a Certificate of Distinction.

Areas to Develop

Literacy strategies (reading and comprehension): This is a major barrier for students who
are to explain how they solve problems, in particular, for students in NUM100.

- Developing practical activities and engaging tasks in abstract mathematics is challenging.
- More real-life-based activities and resources for the junior curriculums need to be developed to engage students and help them understand mathematics in everyday life.
- Identifying knowledge gaps students might have developed during COVID and supporting them to fill the gaps
- o A more rigorous plan needs to be in place to improve student attendance and engagement.
- External results in Years 11–13 are not as good as internal results.

Staffing

joined the Mathematics Department in Term 2 and taught in both junior and senior levels.

Staff code	Responsibility	Y9	Y10_	Y11	Y12	Y13
AGVAS	HOF		-10TGAU	NUM100		MAG301
SHRE	Assistant HOF				MAS201	21-Y300
ANC			DAIN	MATION SUM100		-
	Koruruw		TOMKMS	MASTOT		MAS30F
XGA		94-15	OMANC.	MASTO+		
dE III.		TIA	TOKPUT		MAT 202	
SEBA				4NUM100	4VATZOL	WA 1302
CALB		SPELL SKHYP	OMIVS			
KSL		OMSH OTEN				
AP		-		4JUM100		

Te Whanau Tahi

- All mathematics department members talk with students about our core intent and identity as a unified community.
- All cultures are valued, and students are encouraged to bring their cultural knowledge to the classroom.



- Opportunities are offered for students to show their leadership. Students are encouraged to share their ideas and collaborate with others, supporting the achievement of the group. Māori and Pasifika students seem to value peer collaboration and group work.
- o Students are frequently reminded of their responsibilities for learning and achievement.
- All mathematics teachers pay attention to building relationships with students. When relationships are strengthened, students become more engaged, and ultimately, mathematics learning is enhanced.

SECTION TWO: Results Analysis for

Total Credits Offered and Number of Students

Total credits offered and the number of students in each course over subsequent years:

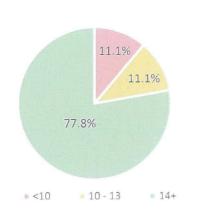
Subject	То	tal Credits Offe	red	Number of Students				
	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023		
MATTON	19	16	20	34	28	28		
MAS103	18	18	21	46	55	50		
NUM106	17	17	17	59	88	82		
MATZOE	17	19	19	23	19	15		
MAS201E	18	17	17	43	30	29		
MAT202	16	16	14	33	26	27		
MAC301	22	22	22	10	14	9		
MAS3015	22	18	20	20	30	25		
WAT302	16	14	16	20	28	17		

- o The number of credits offered has been similar over the last three years, ranging between 14 and 22 credits.
- The number of students in both levels of Calculus (MAT201 and MAC301) is a significant concern, particularly MAC301. Advanced students were advised to take Calculus, but many of them preferred Statistics as an easy option. Efforts should be made to encourage students to challenge themselves and choose Level 2 and 3 Calculus.

Merit/Excellence Grades per Standard

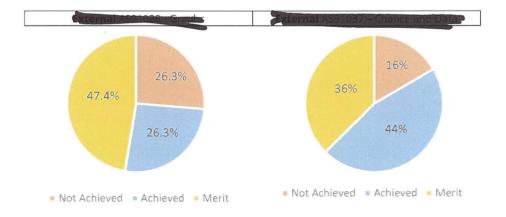
Level 1 Mothematics - MAT190

- Students were offered a choice between two externals (AS91028 Tables, Equations and Graphs and AS91037 Chance and Data). This allowed students to think about their pathways and focus on developing the required skills after Year 11. In general, students wanting to move to Calculus were advised to take AS 91028.
- The class started preparing for externals from the start of the year and repeated similar questions to reinforce the concepts. This improved the pass rate of AS91027 Algebra and produced overall pleasing results.



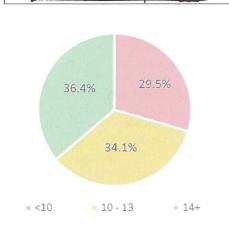
- that the lowest pass rate in 2023 ASSITUZE has the lowest pass rate for the last few years. This needs to be taken into consideration when teaching the Year 11 curriculum.
- o Most of the students who didn't earn 14 credits had low attendance or didn't show up for the internal assessments offered.
- o The results for internals were better than the results for externals.
- Students had a good work ethic but lacked perseverance.



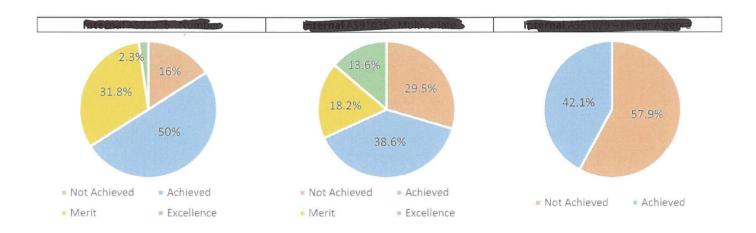


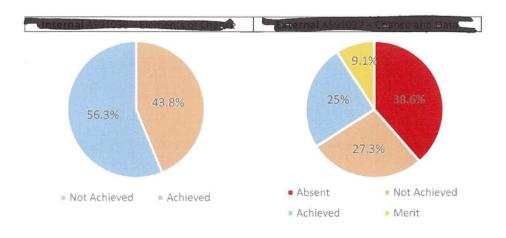
Level 1 Mathematics - MAS101

- Many students struggled with writing reports in Statistics due to low literacy skills.
- The first internal AS91026 Number has the highest pass rate. This could be due to the familiarity of the topic, as students have learned Number since primary school.
 Support should be given for all students to pass this standard.
- The results for AS91029 Linear Algebra Algebra It is likely due to students' lack of understanding of Algebra. More time and support in junior school are needed to improve students' logical thinking and algebraic skills.

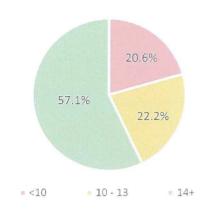


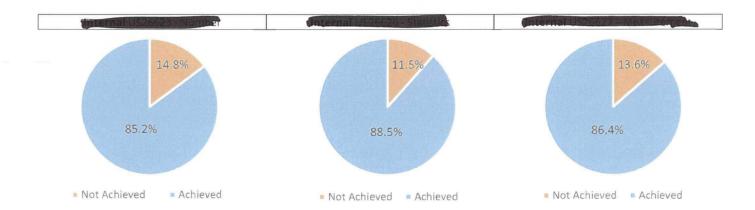
- The results for AS91038 Elements of Chance are disappointing, with 43.8% Not Achieved. This was
 the last internal assessment offered in term 4, and students didn't do their best to pass the
 assessment.
- of the students didn't sit for the external exam.

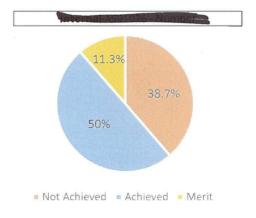




- The students who didn't pass Numeracy showed low attendance and a lack of engagement.
- The pass rate of US26626 Statistics is the highest out of the three unit standards. This could be due to not requiring many calculations in the standard. In US26626, students were asked to analyse graphs and interpret their answers in context.
- the course. They were encouraged to take Level 2
 Mathematics.
- Literacy demand is high in this course. Students with low literacy skills struggled to comprehend the tasks given in class.
- Attendance and engagement were of concern. Consistent collaboration and frequent communication with whanau need to be in place.







- students in this class are top-performing students and everyone should arin at least 14 deals.
- due to students having already chosen their pathways and not needing Level 3 Algebra or Calculus.
- Students find AS91257 Graphs challenging. The class teacher needs to explore new strategies and practice tasks to support students.
- The results of AS91256 Coordinate Geometry and AS91264 Inference are pleasing; every student passed and gained credits.
- The class size was small, with only 15 students. The class size was small, with only 15 students. The class size was small, with only 15 students. The class size was small, with only 15 students.

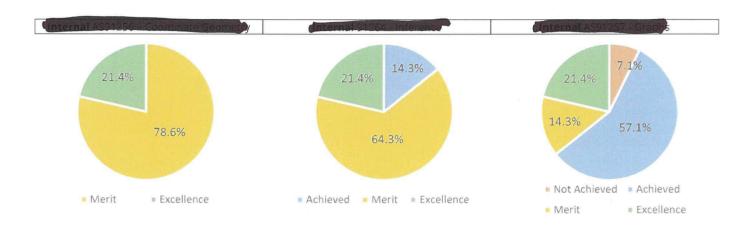
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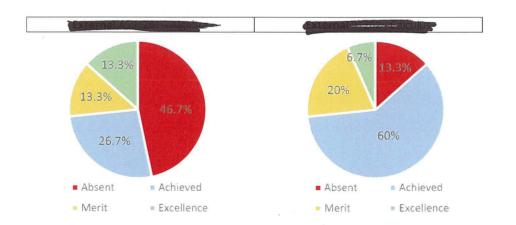
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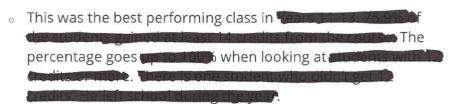
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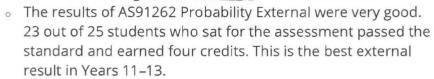
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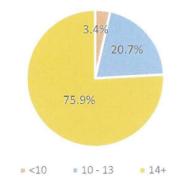




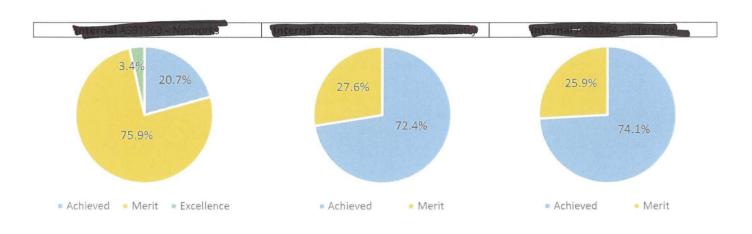








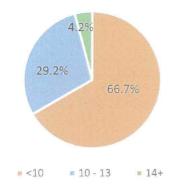
 Positive learning Pumanawatanga was created by the class teacher and the students, and it was well maintained throughout the year. This improved students' engagement and their sense of self agency.



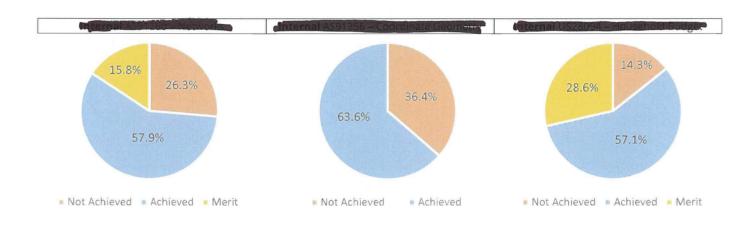


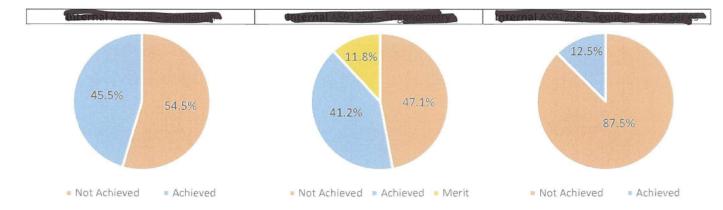


- Students' low literacy had a negative impact on the outcome.
 More practice assessments are to be offered to overcome the barrier.
- Students didn't show disruptive behaviour, but their engagement was low in class. Many of them used their phones and didn't pay full attention in class. Students also showed a lack of motivation and low attendance in general.



- The class teacher was a first year teacher and overestimated students' ability to take responsibility for their own learning. Clear instructions and more communication with whanau are required for better output from students.
- The pass rates in AS91259 Trigonometry and AS91258 Sequences and Series are very low at the improved by providing pre-rearranged formulas in the assessments.
- US28094 Household Budgeting has the highest pass rate and is the most relevant topic for MAT202 students.





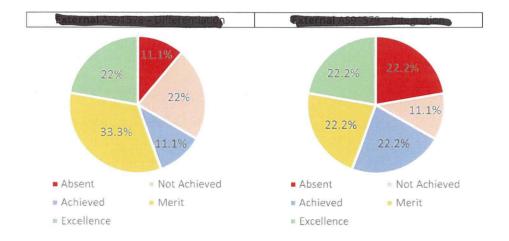
- The pass rate compared to previous years. Students who had enough credits to pass NCEA Level 3 didn't sit the external exams.
- Students preferred Statistics as an easy option and didn't want to spend extra hours learning Algebra. Good support in Years 11 and 12 should be provided for students to be more confident in taking Level 3 Calculus.
- Students who worked hard to get high grades achieved Excellence grades
- Some students, although their understanding is not up to the level, were allowed to take MAC301 because their pathway after college required Level 3 Calculus. In such cases, the class teacher is to give extra feedback and support to improve their algebraic skills.

66.7%

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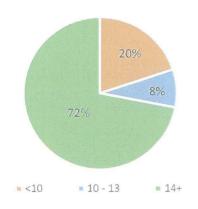
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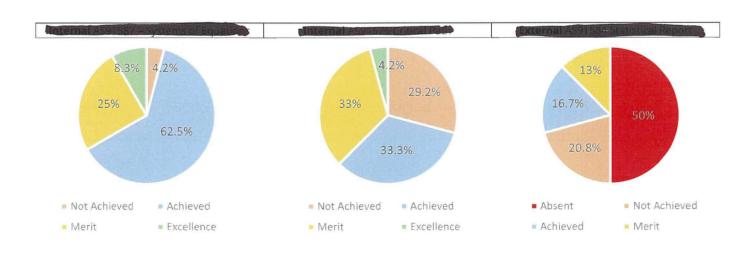
It is our first time to offer AS91584 Statistical Report

- externals we offered in the past. In 2024, AS91585
 Probability Concepts or AS91586 Probability Distribution will be offered.
- The literacy demands are very high in this course.
 Although most students who enter this course have already been offered via their success in Level 2
 Mathematics or Statistics, they still find it challenging to comprehend some of the terms used in the report writing.

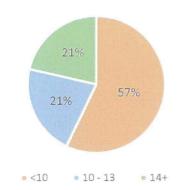


- of the students did not sit the external exam. This is likely due to students having enough credits to pass NCEA Level 3.
- $_{\circ}$ A better work ethic is needed for students to attain high grades.

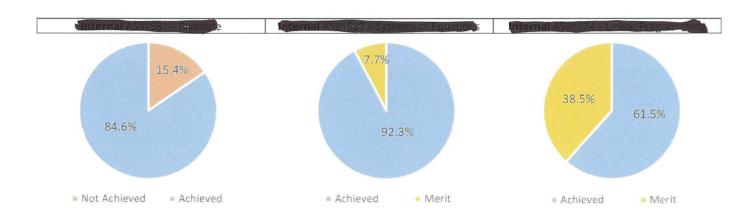


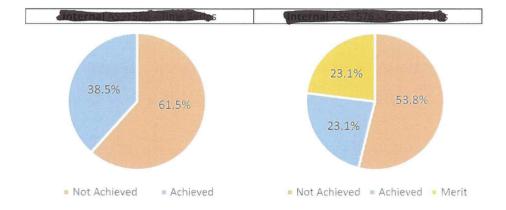


reason could be the time of assessment. Students in general perform better in the assessments done at the beginning of the year. Another reason could be the teacher change.



- The results of AS91576 Critical Part are low, with a pass of a second students need to do more practice assessments before they sit the real assessment.
- The student's low literacy was a barrier in this course. The class teacher is to provide more opportunities to do research, reading and writing to improve their literacy.
- o Although students have used the statistical enquiry cycle since Year 9, many struggled to identify useful information and integrate it with statistical features.

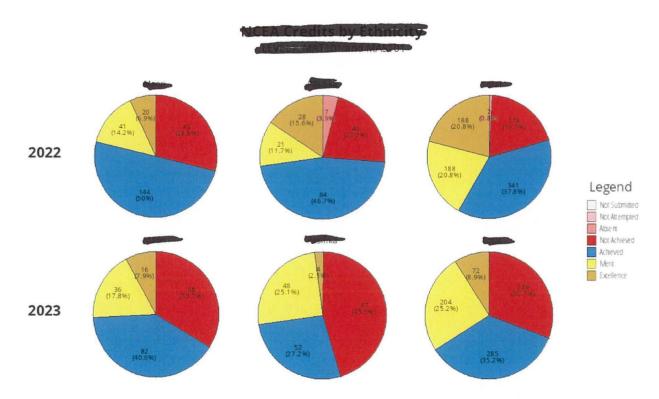








- The number of Manual in MAT101/MAS101 decreased in 2023, whereas the number of Manual in NUM100 increased in 2023.
- Year 10 results, where a large rumber of Maori students in 2023. This is a continuation of

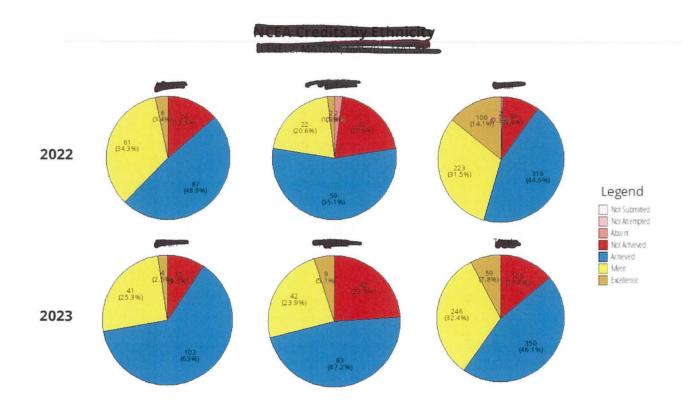


- There is no significant change in the percentage of each many Maor Students. The percentage of Achieved decreased in 2023 and there was an increase in all other grades.
- The percentage of hou Achieved in Pasifika students doubled in 2023.
- The percentages of excellence decreased in all three groups in 2023



- The number of students taking a Level 2
 Mathematics course in 2023 is similar to that in 2022.
- There is a decrease in the number Level 2 Mathematics in 2023, but the change is not significant.
- Rasifika students show the lowest percentages out of the three ethnic groups:
 9% in 2022 and 21% in 2023

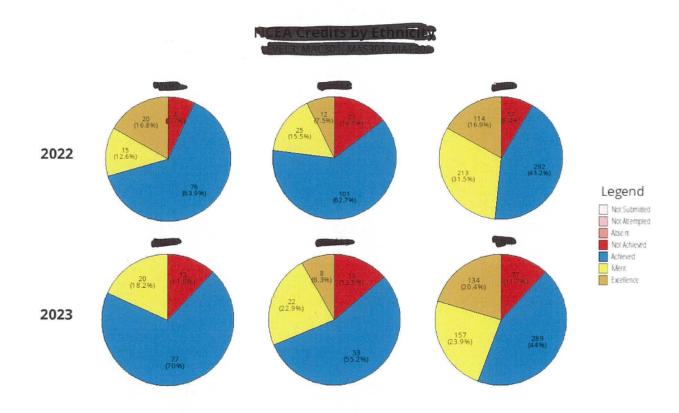


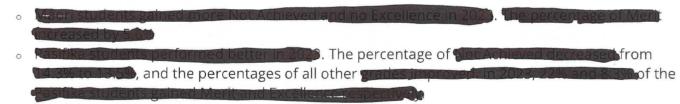


- Macrostudents performed better in 2023 compared to 2022. The percentage of Not Achieved decreased from 13.5% to 9.3%, and the percentage of Achieved increased from 48.9% to 63%.
- The percentage Not Achieved by Pasilika students increased from 20.6% to 23.5%. This is not a huge increase, but extra support is needed to support and monitor the achievement of
- Overall, there isn't a significant change in 2023 compared to 2022. The percentage of each grade remained largely static.

- The total number of students taking a Level 3 Mathematics course decreased in 2023; from 49 students in 2022 to 34 students in 2023.
- The number of students in a little litt
- Pasifika students in Level 3, it was reduced by







Overall, students showed improvement in each grade.

Highlights and Concerns for the 2023 Academic Year

Highlights

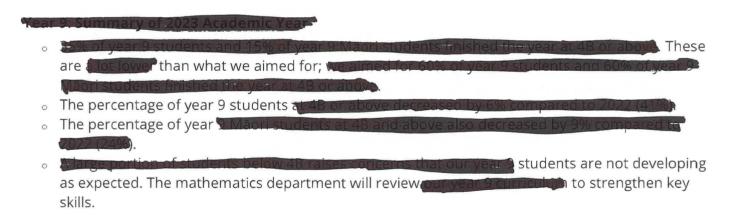
- Holding high expectations of students to aim for excellence
- Providing real-life problems for students to gain greater insights and use them to make sense of the situation
- o Creating opportunities for students to learn mathematical skills and solve complex realworld problems through various competitions and events
- _o Emphasising Kotahitanga in maths classrooms; promoting students to support their friends
- o Offering a differentiation program to Year 10 students after the Numeracy CAA in June

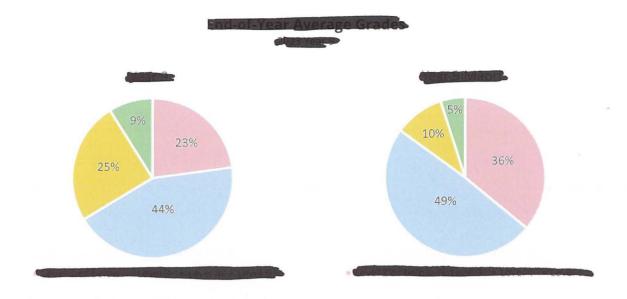
Areas to Develop

- o Improving overall Numeracy levels in junior school
- Developing an integrated junior curriculum in which students see and use mathematical concepts that link different topics
- Identifying knowledge gaps students might have developed during COVID and supporting them to fill the gaps
- o Developing a more solid program for students who excel above the expected levels
- Seeking more feedback from students and whanau to improve the delivery of our junior curriculums

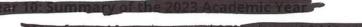
Future Focus

- Numeracy strategies: strengthening the skills of logical thinking and communication for the development of basic numeracy
- Integrated curriculum: providing opportunities to see how different topics are linked and explore multiple methods of solving a problem

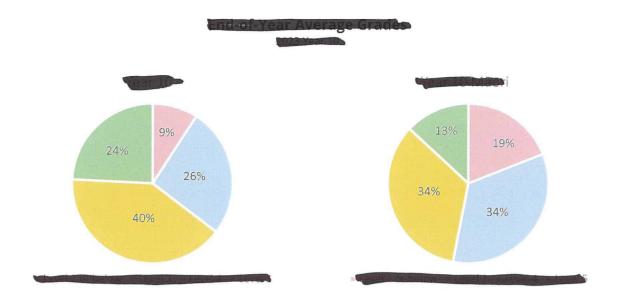




	Year 9 End-of-Year Average Grades									
	5A	5P	5B	4A	4P	4B	3A	3P	3B	2A or below
Year 9	1%	2%	7%	5%	10%	10%	11%	18%	15%	23%
Year 9	0%	0%	5%	2%	3%	5%	7%	24%	19%	36%



- These and lot lower than what we aimed for; we aimed for 50% of your 10 students and 50% per 10. Maori students finished the year at 4A or above.
- The percentage of
- The percentage of years
- There are many factors that explain these improvements, such as different cohorts and class sizes. One of the important factors might be teachers' high expectations of students due to the numeracy CAA.



	Year 10 End-of-Year Average Grade									
	5A	5P	5B	4A	4P	4B	3A	3P	3B	2A or below
Vear 10	4%	12%	8%	12%	19%	10%	10%	11%	6%	9%
Year 10 Māori	2%	6%	6%	13%	15%	6%	13%	13%	8%	19%

SECTION FOUR: Department Goals and Student Achievement Targets for 2024

See the Mathematics Board Report 2024 on the next page.