



GRIP STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

FOR PRIMARY AND INTERMEDIATE STUDENTS

“Our tamariki found this day highly engaging and accessible. It set some exceptionally strong foundations for them to flourish as school leaders. I’d highly recommend this to all schools who want to grow their students’ leadership capabilities.”

Matt Astle, Fairhaven School, Te Puke (March 2026)

ALL NEW SESSIONS AND WORKSHOPS FOR THIS YEAR:

Now held annually in 8 cities across North and South Islands. This brochure has details of conferences for **CONTRIBUTING, PRIMARY** and **INTERMEDIATE** students. For separate information about **SECONDARY** student conferences visit **www.gripleadership.co.nz**.

WHY THIS IS UNIQUE:

- **PRACTICAL** and **HANDS ON** activities that students love
- Sessions allow students to **INTERACT** with leaders from other schools
- **GROUP WORK** allows for students to take steps whilst at the conference
- Dozens of **FRESH IDEAS** working wonders in other schools
- As well as loads of information it is definitely **FUN** and **ENTERTAINING**
- **ALL STUDENTS** are treated as leaders who are important to their school
- **STUDENT CENTRED** and focused on **SCHOOL LEADERSHIP**

The most practical
TRAINING DAY
for student leaders

WHO FACILITATES THE GRIP STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE?

This conference does not feature guest speakers, but is presented by a team of specialists in the area of student leadership. The GRIP Leadership team is comprised of young men and women who know what it's like to be in the shoes of a student leader. Some team members are recent school graduates with the ability to share from their own recent experience. Other team members are in their twenties and thirties and have worked across thousands of schools to develop a career exploring what works, what's current and what's possible in the area of student leadership.

The youthful and professional nature of the GRIP Leadership team is such that teachers consistently compliment about their ability to engage the students whilst presenting a wealth of meaningful leadership concepts. (More information on GRIP Leadership is available at **www.gripleadership.co.nz**)

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THE OUTCOMES WE WILL COVER IN THIS YEAR'S PROGRAM:

- Why **EVERY SENIOR STUDENT** is somebody that the school is **COUNTING ON**.
- The **4 GROUPS** of people who are counting on student leaders, and what each group is **EXPECTING FROM YOU**.
- Practical ways to **SUPPORT YOUNGER STUDENTS** who are looking to older leaders for help and encouragement.
- How to **NOTICE OPPORTUNITIES** to help before teachers even have to ask.
- How to set **HIGH EXPECTATIONS** for yourself so you can become the best leader you can be.
- We will explore in depth the **3 MAIN THINGS** that student leaders should **ROLE MODEL** every day: high standards, school values and a positive attitude.
- The common **CHALLENGES** that student leaders can be **PREPARED** for.
- How to come up with **NEW IDEAS** by focusing on the people who are **COUNTING ON** you.
- **PRACTICAL** ideas for supporting students, teachers and school families through **WORTHWHILE** leadership initiatives.
- The **4 THINGS** that help leaders make their **TIME COUNT** while they have the opportunity to lead.
- Why **SMALL IMPROVEMENTS** often make a bigger difference than waiting for one massive idea.
- How to **IDENTIFY** what your school actually **NEEDS**, rather than simply doing what seems fun.
- How to achieve **SUCCESS AS A TEAM** by helping your leadership group **WORK TOGETHER**, rather than competing with one another.
- Dozens of **PRACTICAL IDEAS** for **EVENTS, ACTIVITIES** and **FUNDRAISERS** from other schools that are **REALISTIC** for students to implement.



WHAT TEACHERS SAID LAST YEAR:

Exceptionally well delivered...

"The day was exceptionally well delivered — interactive, engaging, and highly informative. From the powerful and captivating opening, our students were hooked, and that enthusiasm continued throughout each session. The speakers connected brilliantly with our leaders, presenting ideas in creative and innovative ways that kept them focused and inspired."

Shamolia Sewjugath, Chapel Downs Primary School

So well structured...

"Our student leaders valued the opportunity to develop their leadership skills. Coming from a small school environment, they benefited from the chance to interact with a wider peer group during the various activities. We intend to build on these concepts throughout the school year. Thank you to the GRIP Leadership team for providing a well-structured and engaging program."

Karla Mitchell, Palmerston North Adventist Christian School

Practical ideas to implement back at school...

"A well organised and engaging day! The kids got so much out of it. They came away with practical ideas to implement back at school and had a great time!"

Amanda Kirkup, Shelly Park School



PRIMARY PROGRAM - THEME: COUNTING ON YOU

All sessions include main presentations, interactive activities, discussions, leadership games, and entertainment. Below are the **Topics ONLY**. Watch our videos to get a taste of how interactive these topics become.

Sessions are updated every year so that students can attend numerous years if desired.

****ALL BRAND NEW SESSIONS****

8:45am **Doors Open**
9:15am **SESSION 1**

Topic 1: The People Counting on You to Lead

This session reveals the groups of people at every school who rely on leaders every day. Whilst unpacking this list, every student in the session will realise that they personally have an important part to play, and will feel equipped with practical strategies for leading.

10:45am **Break 1**
11:10am **SESSION 2**

Topic 2: Being a Leader Who is a Role Model

Schools expect their leaders to be a role model, but it's not always clear what that actually looks like in practice. This session explores how student leaders can intentionally model the things that have the biggest impact on others. We will focus on three key traits to model: high standards, demonstrating values, and the right attitude.

Topic 3: New Ideas to Support Our School

If students are going to put effort towards new ideas, it is important that these ideas are valued by the people that are counting on leaders. This practical workshop will showcase dozens of impressive ideas that students have implemented at other schools, which are also realistic and meaningful. Activities during this workshop will enable students to have discussions with other schools, to share experiences and generate new ideas together.

12:30pm **Break 2**
1:00pm **SESSION 3**

Topic 4: How to Make Your Time as a Leader Count

This topic trains students to focus their leadership on what matters most, in order to have a lasting impact. Through practical examples and activities, students will explore how to make small improvements, identify genuine school needs, support people rather than just complete projects, and work together as a united leadership team.

Q&A With GRIP Leadership Team

2:15pm **Finish** (you can be assured of a prompt 2.15pm finish. We appreciate that departing efficiently for your return journey is important)



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DATES AND LOCATIONS:

Location	Date	Venue
Whangarei	9th March 2027	Forum North
Hamilton	9th March 2027	FMG Stadium Waikato
Auckland North	10th March 2027	City Impact Church, North Shore Campus
Rotorua	10th March 2027	Sir Howard Morrison Centre
Auckland South	12th March 2027	City Impact Church, Great South Road Campus
Hastings	12th March 2027	Peak Vision Church
Queenstown	15th March 2027	Te Kura Whakatipu o Kawarau
Palmerston North	15th March 2027	Palmy Conference and Function Centre
New Plymouth	16th March 2027	Stadium Taranaki
Gore	17th March 2027	Gore Town and Country Club
Christchurch	19th March 2027	Celebration Events Centre
Wellington	19th March 2027	Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa

THE INVESTMENT IN YOUR LEADERS:

\$42 (plus GST) per student

\$30 (plus GST) per accompanying staff member or adult

HOW TO REGISTER:

Visit **www.gripleadership.co.nz** and complete the simple online booking form. No payment is required at the time of booking, as an invoice will automatically be emailed to you so you can arrange payment.

WHAT OTHERS HAVE SAID:

Fun and fast paced...

"Thank you for the GRIP Leadership Conference in Wellington last week. The students really enjoyed the fun, fast paced presentations and the very valuable information and ideas that they received."

Jude Tungatt, Chilton Saint James School

Relates back to school...

"The content was great and the different presenters got things across in such a way that it made it easy for the students to engage and relate it back to their own school. The variety of presentations was also well received. I know our students really enjoyed the day and are keen to start putting some ideas into practice."

Wendy Livingstone, Te Aroha College

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