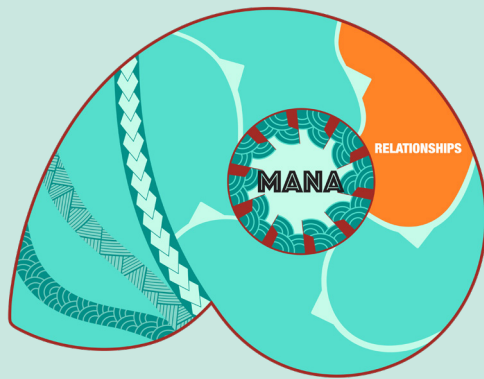


RELATIONSHIPS ACTION SHEET



Relationships are an important part of Pasifika values.

Positive relationships developed between Pasifika students, their families, and others who engage with them are vital ways to improve Pasifika students' school engagement, aspirations and education outcomes.

A need to understand Pasifika cultures to overcome communication barriers is fundamental to establishing positive relationships between young people and the key stakeholders.

TEACHERS



 Understand the importance of family and communities in Pasifika cultures.

Engage in informal conversations (e.g., Talanoa) with students and families after class.



VOLUNTEER TODAY IS:

Create volunteer and leadership roles for Pasifika students to help with the class and other students.

 Encourage authentic and active family participation in decision-making.



Respect Pasifika cultures.



Communicate students' achievements and good news to families/parents.



Promote group and peer activities.



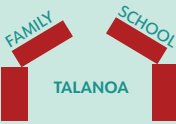
Warmly invite families for school/class activities.



YOUTH WORKERS

Engage in informal meetings/catchups with young people and families.



 Bridge communication barriers between families and schools; e.g. explain jargon and have informal conversations/Talanoa.

Be respectful to the elders.



For non-Pasifika youth workers, be open to learn about different Pasifika cultures and traditions; e.g. attend cultural trainings and learn from bicultural colleagues/Pasifika communities.

WHOLE SCHOOL



Recognise the key roles of family and community in Pasifika students life.



Encourage authentic and active family participation in decision-making; e.g. students' study options.

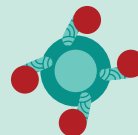


Respect Pasifika cultures, e.g. celebrate Pasifika Festival.

Form links with local Pasifika communities, e.g. attending community events and meetings, inviting community leaders to give talks.

 Organise Parent Information Night.

Establish Pasifika parent committee with regular face-to-face meetings. May provide additional support if families have younger children.



Identify school staff/teachers/educators/youth workers that Pasifika young people can go to.



POLICE OFFICERS



Recognise relationships are key values in Pasifika cultures.



Engage in informal meetings/catchups with young people and families to build trust.



Be open to learn about different Pasifika cultures and traditions.

Establish mutual respect with young people and their families.



Participate in Pasifika cultural-competency training.

Collaborate with Pasifika communities.