



# Hostel Report

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**School Name:** St Matthew's Collegiate (Masterton)

**Profile Number:** 246

**Location:** Masterton

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## Background

The Chief Review Officer has the authority to carry out reviews (which may be general or in relation to particular matters) of the provision of a safe physical and emotional environment that supports learning for students accommodated in hostels under section 470 of the Education and Training Act 2020. This function is delegated to review officers who have the powers to enter and carry out review of hostels under section 472 of the Act.

## Findings

The hostel manager and the hostel owner have attested in the Hostel Assurance Statement that they meet the requirements of the Hostel Regulations 2005.

The Director of Boarding, along with the experienced boarding staff, provide a secure and stable environment for boarders. Boarders benefit from close relationships with hostel staff who work hard to ensure students are happy and safe.

Junior and senior students are accommodated in two separate facilities with the option of part time boarding. Strategies are in place to provide students with a voice in decision making about improvements to hostel provision.

Systems, policies and procedures to manage student safety and wellbeing have been refined over the last three years, and an electronic leave management system is well used by students and staff.

Boarders interviewed by ERO speak confidently about the many ways the hostel environment supports their wellbeing, learning and access to multiple extra curricula activities and sports in the wider community.

## Actions for Compliance

ERO identified non-compliance in relation to:

- Provision of first aid kits in the event of an emergency  
*[Regulation 52 Hostel Regulations 2005]*
- Signing in and out procedures for parents, caregivers and visitors  
*[Regulation 61 (2) Hostel Regulations 2005]*
- A temporary accommodation plan in the event of an emergency  
*[Regulations 48 and 49 Hostel Regulations 2005]*
- Boarding community access to policies and procedures  
*[Regulation 54 (3) Hostel Regulations 2005]*
- Alignment between hostel policies, the latest procedures and ongoing review  
*[Regulation 57 Hostel Regulations 2005].*

The hostel owner/Manager has addressed the areas of non-compliance identified.



Sharon Kelly  
Director of Schools

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## About the School

The Education Counts website provides further information about the school's student population, student engagement and student achievement. [educationcounts.govt.nz/home](https://educationcounts.govt.nz/home)