

ACCELERATOR

School & Student Info



YOUNG LEADERS HEADSTART INTO EMPLOYMENT

YOUR
OPPORTUNITY
TO SEE INTO
THE FUTURE



What is Accelerator? Accelerator is an internship and mentoring programme for Taranaki senior secondary school students. It helps to improve the pathway between education and employment. Schools and businesses are looking for ways connect so that there is improved understanding about the qualifications and skills that are needed in work.

Accelerator helps employers to become involved in the education process by giving them a chance to explain the employment opportunities available in their business.

Students and business mentors get to know each other over the course of the programme and this helps the student to better understand the pathway to their chosen career.

Employers value young people that have good qualifications and are work-ready.

Accelerator History:

Accelerator was developed in 2016 by the MP for New Plymouth, Jonathan Young. Since 2017, the programme has been run by Taranaki Futures.



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Gain Experience
Access Mentors
Build Momentum
Define Your Future



ACCELERATOR Programme



TIME	AGENDA
4.00pm – 5.00pm	Business placement with business mentor
5.30pm – 6.00pm	Light refreshments, social time and mentoring with coaches
6.00pm – 6.10pm	Topic speaker – talking about a range of employment topics
6.15pm – 6.25pm	Coach's story – how they got to where they are
6.25pm – 6.30pm	Close
6.30pm – 6.45pm	Guest speaker - occasional

What is a Business Mentor? A business mentor is a lead person within the company who will oversee the placement of the student within the firm. The business mentor will help the student to understand the company, what it takes to do the job and how to take the correct steps along that career pathway. Taranaki Futures organises the placement and works with the business mentor to ensure the placement has value for the student and employer.

What is a Coach? Successful, professional people from around Taranaki give up their time to share their stories and advice on how to succeed in a variety of industries. Taranaki Futures works to ensure that coaches represent a wide cross-section of Vocational Pathways.

APPLY

Complete the application process online at our website: taranakifutures.org. All applications must be received by March 26. Accelerator is free of charge, entry is limited.