

Signature of Pastor / Minister / Senior Leader

# **<u>CONFIDENTIAL REFERENCE</u>** : Pastor / Minister / Senior Leader

Applicant to comp	lete			
Family Name				
Pupil's Full Name		Des	ired Year/s of Entry eg Yea	r 7
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Dear Pastor / Minister / Senior Leader				
<ul> <li>This family has applied for enrolment at Middleton Grange School. Kindly complete this confidential reference (one per family) and return by these dates:</li> <li>Year 7 – 13 application closing date 12 June 2020</li> <li>Year 1 – 6 application closing date 21 August 2020</li> <li>If we do not have this reference by the relevant date we may not be able to complete the enrolment process for this child/ren. You may be assured your comments will be treated as confidential. Thank you for your assistance.</li> <li>To be completed for <i>all</i> enrolment applications</li> <li>Overleaf you will find information regarding Middleton Grange School to assist you in completing this reference</li> <li>Please ensure the family and pupil names/years levels are included at the top</li> <li>In order to verify your details from <i>your own or church email address</i> please include <ul> <li>a) Pupil name/s and desired Year Entry Level 2021</li> <li>b) Answer the following questions 1. – 7. in an email, or print, complete, sign and scan this document, to c) The Enrolment Officer at: <u>enrolments@middleton.school.nz</u></li> </ul> </li> </ul>				
Pastor / Minister / Senior Leader to complete				
1. What is the nature and length of the family's association with you and/or the church?				
2. Does the family or child/ren have involvement in the church?				
<ol> <li>How do you believe the character and practices of the family would fit with the Special Character of Middleton Grange School? Please refer to the Statement of Belief and Mission Statement below/on reverse.</li> </ol>				
4. Please circle regularity of attendance at Church				
Mother	Always	Mostly	Seldom	Never
Father	Always	Mostly	Seldom	Never
Children	Always	Mostly	Seldom	Never
5. Do you consider the family to be followers of Christ?				
6. Other information that may help the school to assess enrolment of the family including any reservations about enrolment:				
Pastor Details				
Name of Pastor / Minister / Senior Leader				
Name of church				
Phone number		Email		

Date



# Middleton Grange School

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## Explanation Notes to Pastor / Minister / Senior Leader

The reference is to be completed by a Pastor / Minister / Senior Leader of the church congregation at which the applicant and his/her family attend and worship. Your response will be kept confidential.

Middleton Grange School is a state integrated school with a Christian special character and enrolment preference policy. Under this policy preference enrolment is given to pupils whose parents are committed Christians and active members of churches or who have a general connection to the Christian faith.

### Vision Statement

Middleton Grange School assists families in the education of their children by providing an environment in which the Biblical truths of Jesus Christ are taught and lived.

#### Mission Statement

At Middleton Grange School we are committed to a rigorous learning culture based on an understanding of truth as revealed in the whole counsel of Scripture. We equip pupils with the knowledge and skills to understand their heritage and their place in it; and to critique and engage contemporary society. We work with parents to encourage pupils in their gifts and abilities to serve God and others.

#### School Motto

Character, Excellence, Service for the Glory of God

### Statement of Belief

- The unity of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit in the Godhead.
- The Sovereignty of God in creation, revelation, redemption and final judgement.
- The divine inspiration and trustworthiness of Holy Scripture, as originally given and its supreme authority in all matters of faith and conduct.
- The universal sinfulness and guilt of human nature since, the fall, rendering humankind subject to God's wrath and condemnation.
- Redemption from the guilt, penalty, pollution and power of sin only through the sacrificial death (as our representative and substitute) of Jesus Christ, the incarnate Son of God.
- The bodily resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, His ascension, His mediatorial work and His personal return in power and glory.
- The necessity of the work of the Holy Spirit to make the death of Christ effective to the individual sinner, granting repentance toward God and faith in Jesus Christ.
- The indwelling and sanctifying work of the Holy Spirit in the believer.
- The only holy, universal church, which is the Body of Christ, to which all true believers belong and in which they are united through the Spirit.
- The resurrection of the body and life everlasting.

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