



MIDDLETON GRANGE SCHOOL

Character, Excellence, Service for the Glory of God

2025

CHURCH PASTOR CONFIDENTIAL REFERENCE

Applicant to complete

Family Name (Legal)			
Student's Full Name		Desired Year/s of Entry eg Year 7	
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Dear Pastor / Minister / Senior Leader, please complete and return this form

This family has applied for enrolment at Middleton Grange School.
 Kindly complete this confidential reference (one per family) and return by these dates:

- **Year 7 – 13** application closing date **Friday, 14 June 2024**
- **Year 1 – 6** application closing date **Thursday, 22 August 2024**

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.

- To be completed for **all** enrolment applications
- Overleaf you will find information regarding Middleton Grange School to assist you in completing this reference
- Please ensure the family and pupil names/years levels are included at the top
- In order to verify your details from your own or church email address please include
 - Student Legal name/s and desired Year Entry Level 2025
 - Answer the following questions 1. – 7. in an email, or print, complete, sign and scan this document, to
 - The Enrolment Officer at: office@middleton.school.nz

1. What is the nature and length of the family's association with you and/or the church?

Blank space for answer to question 1.

2. Does the family or child/ren have involvement in the church?

Blank space for answer to question 2.

3. 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.

Blank space for answer to question 3.

4. Please circle regularity of attendance at Church

Mother	<input type="radio"/> Always	<input type="radio"/> Mostly	<input type="radio"/> Seldom	<input type="radio"/> Never
Father	<input type="radio"/> Always	<input type="radio"/> Mostly	<input type="radio"/> Seldom	<input type="radio"/> Never
Children	<input type="radio"/> Always	<input type="radio"/> Mostly	<input type="radio"/> Seldom	<input type="radio"/> Never

5. Do you consider the family to be followers of Christ?

Blank space for answer to question 5.

6. Other information that may help the school to assess enrolment of the family including any reservations about enrolment:

Blank space for answer to question 6.

Name of Pastor / Minister / Senior Leader			
Name of church			
Phone number		Email	
Signature of Pastor / Minister / Senior Leader		Date	

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

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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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