

Hostel Report

School Name: Otago Boys' High School

Profile Number: 377

Location: Dunedin

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 has attested in the Hostel Assurance Statement that they meet the requirements of the Hostel Regulations 2005.

The school hostel, School House, accommodates up to 150 students. At the time of this review there were 147 students in residence, including several international students. Most current boarders come from the wider Otago and Southland regions.

The hostel is located in the residential suburb of Roslyn, approximately five minutes' walk from the school. It is made up of four freestanding dormitories, a recreation wing and outdoor spaces, prep rooms, and a dining/kitchen/laundry/administration block.

Boarders report that they experience a positive and supportive hostel environment. Staff collaborate effectively to provide the conditions that fully support boarders' wellbeing and learning in the hostel. They regularly monitor boarders' academic progress. Boarders have access to a wide range of activities as part of normal hostel life and are fully involved in co-curricula activities.

The hostel's documentation is thorough and up to date. There is comprehensive reporting to the school board and a close relationship between the hostel and the school.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sharon Kelly'.

Sharon Kelly
Director of Schools (Acting)

4 June 2025

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