

Mount Maunganui Language Centre

Information for Partners

2025

35 Years of Awesome
Since 1990



Tauranga - Mount Maunganui

Mount Maunganui is one of New Zealand's most popular destinations for international and domestic visitors. Our unique area is surrounded by the Pacific Ocean and filled with bars, restaurants, boutique shopping, and of course, stunning natural beauty. We are part of Tauranga City, a medium sized city with a population of around 125,000 people. Students love to live and study here.

The most common comment we have from our students? "I don't want to go home."

Climate

Summer: 20 - 27 degrees Celsius

Winter: 11 - 19 degrees Celsius



Mount Maunganui has been awarded the "Best Beach in New Zealand" every year since 2014.



Our school is located in the heart of Mount Maunganui, in a beautifully restored heritage building. Our place is very social; we have a large garden area as well as two covered courtyards and deck areas, spacious classrooms with natural light, two large student lounges, a kitchen and outdoor BBQ. There are musical instruments and sports equipment for students to use whenever they want.

Students can walk to the beach, cafés, the supermarket and sports areas.



The school size depends on the season:

Low season: (April - August) around 40 students

Shoulder season: (September - December) around 50 students

High season: (January - March) around 65 students



Mount Maunganui Language Centre is registered as a Private Training Establishment by the New Zealand Qualifications Authority, and holds CATEGORY 1 status, the highest level achievable under the NZQA system.

Students who study for 14 weeks or more on a student visa are allowed to work part time up to 20 hours per week.

Mount Maunganui Language Centre is:

- an official IELTS test venue
- a member of English New Zealand
- a signatory to the Education (Pastoral Care of Tertiary and International Learners) Code of Practice 2021 (the Code)

Location

A city that is just the right size - the perfect blend of urbane living and laid-back beachside lifestyle. The city so many New Zealanders want to live in. Ranked the best beach in New Zealand for multiple years consecutively.

Client Satisfaction

Students give MMLC a rating of 95% or higher for overall satisfaction.

Work Opportunities

Our city is a leading tourism destination, which means there are a lot of part-time jobs in local cafés and restaurants. Every student who wants to work finds a job. Students with a student visa on a full-time course of 14 weeks or more can work up to 20 hours per week. And of course we also welcome working holiday visa holders.

We Love Our Agents

Over 85% of our bookings come via our partner network; our website generates leads for you. In 2024 we sent over 50 direct enquiries to our international partners to follow up on.

Most of them converted to bookings.



The Warmest Welcome

Mount Maunganui Language Centre students give our homestays a 96% rating for their warm welcome into their homes.

More Than a School

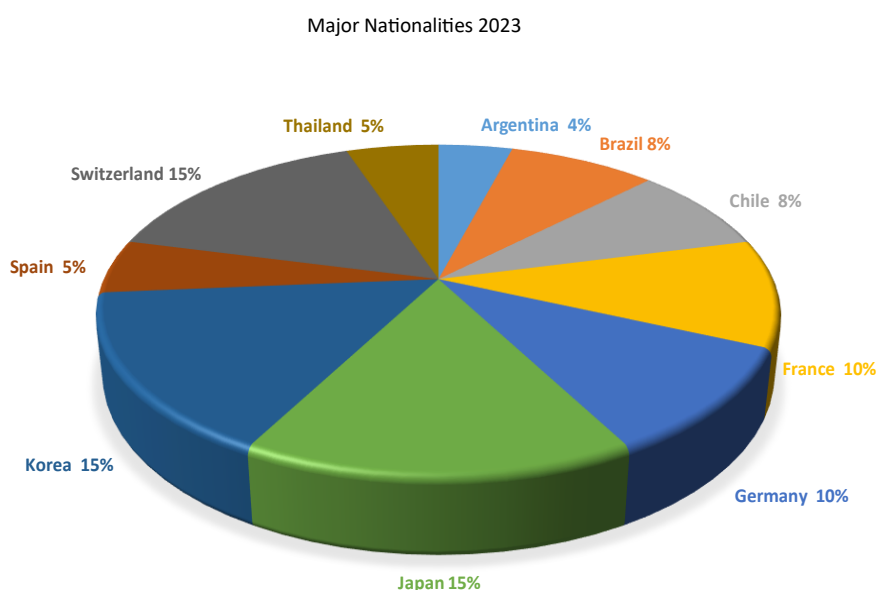
This phrase was coined by one of our students, and it's true. Our school is your students' home-base in New Zealand. A 24/7 emergency contact number, a packed social programme loaded with unique experiences and our "student for life policy" mean that before, during, and after course completion, we take care of your clients like they are family.

Higher Academic Standards and Pathways

In addition to being an NZQA Category 1 School, we are also a member of English New Zealand. That means we have to meet a higher academic standard than most. The school is an **Official IELTS Testing Venue**. Our students pass their IELTS and Cambridge exams. We have pathway links with providers from Primary (elementary) school to MBA, and everything in between.

Thanks to our partners, we always have students from around the globe. Below is a sample of the main nationalities we host in our school. The school normally has around 28 different nationalities over the course of a year. Our classes also involve going into the local community to interact with New Zealand people.

We give your students a truly international experience.



Our school is mostly made up of adults students, with some junior students coming for short stays at specific times of the year. The average age of our students in 2024 was 23. The oldest student was 75, and the youngest was 14. We are set up to cater to all age groups and all different cultures.

The school is in central Mount Maunganui, close to shops, restaurants, cafes, sports facilities and of course the beach - which is only 800 metres away.

Students are picked up by our shuttle service and brought directly to Mount Maunganui, the journey takes around 2.5 hours.

We can also arrange a direct domestic flight, which takes just 25 minutes from Auckland to Tauranga.



Many of our homestay families are all within walking distance of the beach, and most are located within 10 kilometres of the school. Most students come to school on foot, by bicycle, or bus. The average time to get to school is 25 minutes.

Students can also choose to stay in the Student House, located just a short walk away from the school. A private room and shared kitchen, bathrooms and living room are available.

Student Accommodation

In addition to homestay, students are able to book accommodation in the Student House located a short walk from the school:

The house is a two-storey, three bedroom home, located 7 minutes' walk from the school. It is fully furnished and features:

- Three private, lockable bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- Living room, dining area
- Full size kitchen with dishwasher, oven, microwave, fridge
- TV, Wi-Fi
- Power and water included
- Upstairs deck, downstairs garden
- Secure garage for bikes, sports equipment etc
- Washing machine and rubbish disposal included



Most students come to us with the same problem - they've done some English study in their lives but they struggle to communicate in English. So our classes focus on building students' fluency and communication skills. We teach from a 360° approach - including grammar, speaking, listening, reading, writing, and pronunciation. Students can track their progress through regular assessment tests, and additional help is always available. All students also have free access to our app for extra study after class. We can also create an Individual Learning Plan (ILP) for students with specific goals.

Daily Timetable (sample)

9.00am	Warm Up
9.10am	Grammar/Vocabulary Development/ Reading
9.50am	Conversation/Pronunciation
10.40am	Morning Tea/ Social Conversation
11.00am	Listening / Speaking/Writing
12.00pm	Lunch
1.00pm	Conversation Skills/ Fluency Activities
	Out of Class Study
	Exam Preparation*
	Or Activity Programme*
1.55pm	Break
2.05pm	as above, continued
3.00pm	Class Finish**

* Depending on students' course choice

** Classes finish at 12.00 pm on Fridays

Key Features

- A low number of students per class - average 9, maximum 14
- Weekly testing so students can track their progress
- Modern teaching methods - including multimedia and internet based
- Student lending library service for reading improvement
- Free learning app for additional self-study



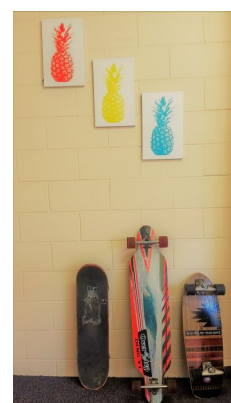
On the first day students should be at school by 8.45 am. Students are given an orientation programme which involves an explanation of all school policies and procedures, school tour, introduction to key staff members, and level testing for class placement. Testing involves a grammar test, a writing component, and an interview.

Learning doesn't finish at the end of class, so we offer a wide range of trips, sports, cultural and leisure activities for students both after school and on weekends. Students can use their English in a relaxed situation to build stronger relationships with their friends from other countries.



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¹ TripAdvisor 'Best Beach in New Zealand' Travellers' Choice Awards.



This is our student carpark :)

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