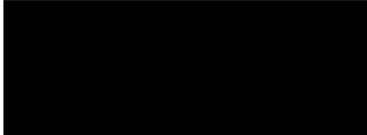




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Dear 

Thank you for your email of 24 September 2018 to the Ministry of Education requesting the following information:

- 1. The vandalism risk category and cost to the Ministry of Education to repair vandalism at each of the following schools in 2016, 2017 and 2018:*
  - *Cashmere High School*
  - *Burnside High School*
  - *Haeata Community College*
  - *Linwood College*
  - *Hillmorton High School*
  - *Mairehau High School*
- 2. I would like the cost broken down per school, per year.*

Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

The vandalism risk categories for each of the schools identified and the associated annual known costs to the Ministry, with the exception of Haeata Community College, for 2016, 2017 and 2018, are listed in Appendix A.

Please note that costs identified represent the vandalism funding component we pay to these schools through their operational grants. As school Boards of Trustees are Crown Entities with legislative responsibility for managing and maintaining their property, it is possible for them to have used more or less of the funding we allocate for this purpose.

We are unable to include the same level of detail for Haeata Community Campus because this is a newly established Public Private Partnership (PPP) school operating under a different funding model to the others.

Under a PPP contract, the Contractor, not the school, is responsible for carrying out repairs and maintenance. The Ministry reimburses the Contractor for all repairs, maintenance, cleaning and other costs associated with keeping the school premises at a high standard through a unitary charge (which includes addressing vandalism but which is not separately itemised). PPP schools receive a small grant each year which we consider covers the responsible cost of school hour's vandalism when this is being well managed. Haeata Community Campus received \$3,916 in 2017 and \$3,965 in 2018 for this purpose.

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The Ministry works with schools to help them address problem student behaviour and protect school assets by, for example, installing security cameras and using security swipe cards and locks to restrict access to specific facilities at certain times.

Please note, the Ministry proactively publishes OIA responses on our website. As such, we may publish this response on our website after five working days. Your name and contact details will be removed.

Thank you again for your email. If you have further questions please feel free to contact our media team in the first instance at [media@education.govt.nz](mailto:media@education.govt.nz). If you are unsatisfied with my response, you have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review it. You can do this by writing to [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz) or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Yours sincerely



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## Appendix A

The Ministry's vandalism risk categories are ranked from A (lowest risk) to E (highest risk). Categories are reassess when a school:

- experiences a general increase in vandalism, and
- exceeds the level of vandalism funding provided through its operations grant for 3 consecutive years.

Further information is available at:

<https://www.education.govt.nz/school/property/state-schools/funding/vandalism-funding/>

Calendar Year	School Name	Vandalism Risk Category	Vandalism component of the Operations Grant*
2016	Burnside High School	A	\$7,684.24
2016	Cashmere High School	C	\$30,167.14
2016	Hillmorton High School	A	\$2,276.89
2016	Linwood College	D	\$29,161.20
2016	Mairehau High School	C	\$5,543.49
2017	Burnside High School	A	\$7,729.89
2017	Cashmere High School	C	\$31,495.93
2017	Hillmorton High School	A	\$2,279.36
2017	Linwood College	D	\$26,562.00
2017	Mairehau High School	C	\$5,217.40
2018	Burnside High School	A	\$7,644.61
2018	Cashmere High School	C	\$33,182.96
2018	Hillmorton High School	A	\$2,410.51
2018	Linwood College	D	\$15,710.81
2018	Mairehau High School	C	\$5,622.70