

Pre-Application Information

Introduction

Our kids need to be critical thinkers and innovators to meet the social, environmental and economic challenges of the future. To learn these skills, they need the right equipment and resources at school. The Genesis School-gen Trust aims to support schools by providing this equipment to grow their understanding and interest in STEM (science, technology, engineering and maths).

The Genesis School-gen Trust provides equipment (software / hardware) that supports the teaching of the Ministry of Education's Curriculum and encourages students to become engaged in science, technology, engineering and maths subjects. It also provides solar panels and monitoring equipment to schools to enable students to learn about renewable energy and energy efficiency by seeing in real time how much solar energy is produced via the panels.

The Genesis School-gen Trust welcomes applications from any Ministry of Education recognised primary, intermediate or secondary school in New Zealand. Before completing the on-line application form, please review this pre-application information carefully.

If you have any questions please refer to the [FAQ section](#) of the Genesis School-gen Trust website or alternatively email the Trust Administrator on info@genesisschoolgentrust.org.nz.

Application round dates and review process...

The July 2022 application round opens on **Tuesday 26 July 2022** and all applications must be received by 5pm on **Friday 12 August 2022**.

You'll receive an automated confirmation of your application once submitted. The Trust administrator will contact a school only if required such as if an application is incomplete or requires further information.

Once the application round closes, all applications will be reviewed, and the Trustees will make their decisions as to the allocation of the available funding.

All applicants will be notified of the results either by phone or email by **30 September 2022**.

When completing the application form remember ...

- 1) The questions in the application form are designed to provide information on how your school is encouraging students to engage in science, technology, engineering and maths, what the issues / challenges are and what you are doing to overcome these.

- 2) The Trustees want to understand how you plan to use the equipment to support students develop computational thinking skills and, in relation to digital technology, develop the capacity to design quality, fit-for-purpose digital solutions.
- 3) Responses to each of the questions is **restricted to 200 words**. This must be strictly adhered to and any words over this will be disregarded.
- 4) All applications will be assessed on (but not limited to) the following criteria: -
 - a. **Need** - the challenges you are facing in teaching STEM
 - b. **Desire / passion** – to engage your students in STEM learning
 - c. **Potential** - for growing STEM learning based on how you have outlined your thinking around moving forward in this area.

What can you apply for?

You can select one equipment package from any of the four package categories listed below. The Trust does not offer cash funding and all equipment will be purchased by the Trust. Details of the STEM equipment packages are [here](#).