# 2025 MARGARET AND JOHN KALMAN CHARITABLE TRUST MATHEMATICS TEACHING PRIZE

## Primary, Intermediate, and Secondary School

# GUIDELINES FOR NOMINATIONS

The Margaret and John Kalman Charitable Trust is generously donating $30,000+ every year to recognise achievements of Primary, Intermediate and Secondary school Mathematics and Statistics teachers in New Zealand. John Kalman was a professor of Mathematics at the University of Auckland from 1964 to 1993, and a leading promoter of Mathematics in New Zealand.

## PRIZES

Six prizes of $5000 are available. A commemorative certificate will be presented to the winning teachers.

## ELIGIBILITY

Applications are invited from any Primary, Intermediate, or Secondary school teacher in New Zealand. Groups of teachers who have collaborated on a specific project may also submit a joint application.

## JUDGING

The judging panel will include a representative from the Margaret and John Kalman Charitable Trust, a representative of the Executive of the Primary Mathematics Association (PMA) and/or the University of Auckland, and a representative from the Department of Mathematics at the University of Auckland.

## SELECTION CRITERIA

Any examples of excellence in the teaching of Mathematics and Statistics at Primary, Intermediate, and Secondary school level will be considered. Examples from the following categories are particularly welcome.

**Stimulation of Interest** – teachers who have inspired student interest in mathematics by making the subject exciting and relevant.

**Teaching Innovation** – teachers who have introduced new ways of making mathematical concepts more fun to learn and more able to be understood.

**Teaching Excellence** – teachers who have demonstrated the integration of research in mathematics or statistics education into their classroom practice.

**Early Career Teaching Excellence** – teachers who have demonstrated excellence in their teaching of Mathematics and/or Statistics during their first five years of their career.

**Equity** – teachers who have made a significant contribution to the teaching and learning of mathematics in under- represented groups such as Maori, Pacific Island and female students.

**Service** – teachers who have made a significant contribution to the teaching and learning of mathematics and statistics in ways that extend beyond their own school community.

## OTHER CONDITIONS

Prize recipients will be encouraged to share their ideas via appropriate professional development events, such as the Primary Mathematics Association (PMA) Seminar day, the #AMAOnline platform, and other events run by their local Mathematics/Statistics Associations.

## NOMINATION SUBMISSION

Please email completed nomination form to [kalmanteacherprize@gmail.com](mailto:kalmanteacherprize@gmail.com)

Nomination forms must be received on or before **Monday 22 September 2025.**

**2025 MARGARET AND JOHN KALMAN CHARITABLE TRUST PRIZE FOR PRIMARY, INTERMEDIATE and SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS OF MATHEMATICS OR STATISTICS**

**NOMINATION FORM**

All nominees are directed to read the accompanying guidelines and regulations before completing this form. Nominations must be received on or before **Monday 22 September 2025**.

**SECTION A – NOMINEE AND NOMINATOR DETAILS**

**1. Nominee Name and Address**

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| **Nominee’s Name** |  | | |
| **Current Position and Year levels taught** |  | | |
| **School** |  | | |
| **School Address** |  | | |
| **Suburb, City** |  | **Postcode** |  |
| **Phone** |  | | |
| **Email** |  | | |

**2. Nominator Name and Address** (Nominator may be a colleague, HOD, Principal, parent or student)

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| **Nominator’s Name** |  | | |
| **Position or relationship to applicant** |  | | |
| **School (if applicable)** |  | | |
| **Postal Address** |  | | |
| **Suburb** |  | **Postcode** |  |
| **Phone** |  | | |
| **Email** |  | | |

**Nominators, please provide a statement to support the nominee (maximum one page).**

**3. Contact details for Principal of Nominee’s school** (if Principal is not nominator)

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| **Principal’s Name** |  |
| **Email** |  |

**SECTION B – TEACHING ACHIEVEMENTS – TO BE COMPLETED BY NOMINEE**

1. Provide examples of innovation and/or excellence in your teaching of Mathematics or Statistics.

Maximum of 250 words.

**2.** Briefly outline how you have measured the success of your teaching innovation or achievement. Maximum 250 words.

You may attach supporting material (such as evaluations, messages, etc.) from students, parents and colleagues to support this information, but attachments must not exceed four pages. You may also include links to supporting material available online (e.g. websites of resources, videos, blogs), but you must ensure these can be easily accessed from a link within your application.

**SECTION C – DECLARATION**

**All nominees to complete.**

I hereby submit the enclosed nomination form for entry into the 2025 Margaret and John Kalman Charitable Trust Prize for teachers of Primary, Intermediate, and Secondary school Mathematics and Statistics, and warrant that,

a) The information contained in this application is accurate and factual: and

b) I agree to abide by the terms and conditions of entry, see Section D, for the 2025 Kalman Prize for Primary, Intermediate, and Secondary school teachers of Mathematics and Statistics.

c) I have read the guidelines and regulations.

**Signature**

**Date**

**INFORMATION REQUIRED CHECK LIST**

1. Please attach a brief CV, maximum 4 pages, giving details of your teaching career and achievements to date. Include details of any leadership roles held or awards received.

2. Please attach reference from nominator.

3. Please attach completed Nomination form

**Note:** Please make sure you send the above three items as documents attached to an email.

**REGULATIONS GOVERNING MARGARET AND JOHN KALMAN CHARITABLE TRUST MATHEMATICS TEACHING PRIZE**

1. All applications must be emailed to [kalmanteacherprize@gmail.com](mailto:kalmanteacherprize@gmail.com) on or before **Monday 22 September 2025**.

**Late applications will not be accepted.**

2. Applicants will be competitively assessed on the basis of their application. Applicants must agree to abide by the decision of the judging panel. Applications and supporting material will not be returned to applicants. All material submitted will be used solely for the purpose of applying for the Prize and will not be circulated. No material relating to an application will be publicised without your prior approval.

3. The judging panel reserves the right to revoke, re-award or withdraw any application from consideration for the Prize if the applicant is in breach of any of these rules.

4. All prize winners should use their best endeavours to attend or be represented at the Prize presentation event, if held.

5. Applicants agree to do all things reasonable to participate and/or cooperate with any promotional or media activities conducted by members of the judging panel. Photographs from prize presentation may be used for promotional purposes.

6. No contractual or other legal relationship shall arise between the members of the judging panel and applicants for the 2025 Margaret and John Kalman Charitable Trust Mathematics Teaching Prize.

7. The Trustees of the Margaret and John Kalman Charitable Trust will review this prize every three years, at which time a decision will be made to either continue or discontinue the prize.

8. Previous recipients of the Margaret and John Kalman Charitable Trust Mathematics Teaching Prize are not eligible for the prize again.