

(2) The yearly average attendance so determined shall be the average attendance on which shall be based the grading, staffs, and salaries of Native schools from the 1st February following.

90. In the case of a new school the mean of the average attendances for the terms of the year ending 31st August in which the school has been open continuously for not less than one term shall be deemed to be the yearly average attendance for such year; but the average attendance for any period before the term during the whole of which the school is open shall not be taken into account in calculating the yearly average attendance. A school that is reopened shall be deemed to be a new school if it has been closed for more than six months immediately preceding such reopening.

Good-attendance certificates.

91. Certificates of good attendance may be issued to children attending Native schools in accordance with regulations under the Education Act, 1914.

Compulsory attendance.

92. All provisions of the Education Act, 1914, that relate to the compulsory attendance of children at public schools apply to Maori children and Native schools.

93. All the powers and functions possessed by an Education Board, or by the Chairman, or Secretary, or Attendance Officer thereof, under sections 59 to 67 of the said Act may, with the necessary modifications, be exercised in the case of Native schools by the Director of Education.

Grading of schools: Staffs and salaries.

94. Subject to the provisions of this part of these regulations the provisions of the regulations made under the Education Act, 1914, in reference to staffs and salaries in public schools shall apply, *mutatis mutandis*, to Native schools.

95. *Annual Grading.*—Native schools shall be classified in the grades and subgrades specified in Schedule I of clause 97 of these regulations. It shall be the duty of the Director, as soon as may be after the 31st August in each year, to determine according to the yearly average attendance of the year ended 31st August immediately preceding, the grade or subgrade to which each school shall belong from the 1st February following: Provided that a school may be placed in a lower grade if the Director is satisfied that the average attendance qualifying the school for a higher grade is not likely to be permanent.

96. Until the first annual grading of a new school under the preceding clause the grade and subgrade of that school shall be determined in accordance with the average attendance as follows:—

- (i) For the period from the date of the opening until the end of the term in which the school was opened, on the average attendances for such period;
- (ii) For the first term during the whole of which the school is open on the average attendances for that term; and
- (iii) Thereafter on the mean of the term average attendances for the several terms until the 31st January next ensuing:

Provided that in any special case where the circumstances are exceptional a new school may, with the approval of the Public Service Commissioner, be provisionally graded in a higher grade or subgrade than that in which it would be placed under the provisions of this clause, or on its first grading under the provisions of clause 95 hereof.

97. *Position Salaries.*—(1) The salaries and house allowances payable to head or sole teachers shall be determined in the same manner as for head teachers or sole teachers in corresponding positions in public schools.

(2) Subject to the provisions hereinafter contained in this part of these regulations, the salaries payable to assistants shall be those prescribed in Schedule I hereunder.

SCHEDULE I.—GRADES OF NATIVE SCHOOLS AND SALARIES OF TEACHERS.

| Average Attendance. | Grade of School. | Salary of Head Teacher. | Number of Assistants. | Salaries of Assistants. | | | | |
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| | | | | (1st.) | (2nd.) | (3rd.) | (4th.) | (5th.) |
| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (1st.) | (2nd.) | (3rd.) | (4th.) | (5th.) |
| 9-20 | I | £ 170-200 | .. | £ .. | £ .. | £ .. | £ .. | £ .. |
| 21-25 | IIA | 210-270 | 1 | 65-85 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 6-35 | IIB | 210-270 | 1 | 85-105 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 6-50 | IIIA | 265-295 | 1 | 140-170 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 51-80 | IIIB | 280-310 | 2 | 140-170 | 65-85 | .. | .. | .. |
| 81-120 | IIIC | 280-325 | 3 | 140-170 | 85-105 | 65-85 | .. | .. |
| 121-160 | IVA | 325-355 | 4 | 165-210 | 140-170 | 85-105 | 65-85 | .. |
| 161-200 | IVB | 325-355 | 5 | 165-210 | 165-210 | 140-170 | 85-105 | 65-85 |