

2020 Winners

You don't drink water to stay hydrated. You drink water to go to the bathroom every period.
(Molly Soppet, Hauraki Plains College, Ngatea, Waikato)

At this rate, the only UE you'll have next year is your UE Boom.
(Virginia Baird, Iona College, Havelock North)

If they thought Coronavirus was contagious, just wait until they hear about your Not Achieved credits.
(Bridget Maw, Rangī Ruru Girls' School, Merivale, Christchurch)

You can't listen to music while studying, because the studying distracts you.
(Mehmed Serif, Glenfield College, Glenfield, Auckland)

Why bother with Scholarship when selling your kidney online takes half the effort?
(May Cavanagh, Otago Girls' High School, Dunedin)

The only thing funnier than Australians in a panic is NCEA trying to teach you something.
(Renee Edmonds, Te Aho o Te Kura Pounamu)

If NZQA doesn't put a coronavirus question in an end-of-year exam, we riot.
(Bridget Maw, Rangī Ruru Girls' School, Merivale, Christchurch)

That guy in your maths question buying 100 rolls of toilet paper isn't looking so odd now aye?
(Simone Peers, Sacred Heart Girls' College, Hamilton East, Hamilton)

Big congratulations to Jacinda for finally ending the Briscoes sales.
(Ava Venn, Craighead Diocesan School, Highfield, Timaru)

Can't wait to get back to school to see who else gave themselves haircuts.
(Ava Venn, Craighead Diocesan School, Highfield, Timaru)

A cure for COVID is only an E7 in chemistry.
(Sebastian Tippett, Kāpiti College, Raumati Beach, Paraparaumu)

"Chop, chop." -quote from your teachers and also your scissors, while you cut quarantine bangs
(Emma Jocelyn, Otago Girls' High School, Dunedin)

It took flattening the curve for your year 11 stats knowledge to actually be useful.
(Ambryme Guergoua, Otago Girls' High School, Dunedin)

What's harder: Endorsement at level 3 or takeaways at level 3?
(Jennifer Susanto, Rangitoto College, Mairangi Bay, Auckland)

Even New Zealand could get their level 3s.
(Alix Blyde, Sacred Heart Girls' College, Strandon, New Plymouth)

Only NCEA students with coronavirus know how it feels to be positive about a test.
(Bridget Maw, Rangī Ruru Girls' School, Merivale, Christchurch)

They may say no alcohol allowed at school, but the amount of ethanol in hand sanitiser says otherwise.
(Ambryme Guergoua, Otago Girls' High School, Dunedin)

NCEA on COVID is like menstruation on stress, out of sync and delayed by ten days.
(Alexis Hindley, St Mary's College, St Mary's Bay, Auckland)

NCEA is like my dad. They listen, but not really.
(Hannah Garnell, Epsom Girls Grammar School, Epsom, Auckland)

Why get an A+ when you could get a Disney+?
(Leo Black, Burnside High School, Burnside, Christchurch)

Every NCEA student knows the cold shock of disappointment when you incorrectly assumed the worst was over - it's called exam results day.
(Kate Wilkinson-Smith, Whanganui Collegiate School, Whanganui)

NCEA is to learning as Google Drive is to driving.
(Leo Black, Burnside High School, Burnside, Christchurch)

What do NCEA exams and the Green party have in common? They're both taxing.
(Matthew Ross, Liston High School, Henderson, Waitakere)

An NCEA student's calendar: term unoneted, term twobulent, term threetening and term fourmidable.
(Lidia Fraser, Epsom Girls Grammar School, Epsom, Auckland)

If you want to become a prefect, talk to someone experienced in leadership like Todd Muller.
(Lidia Fraser, Epsom Girls Grammar School, Epsom, Auckland)

NCEA = National Can't get Elected Again
(Jeremy Walshe & Hayden Swears, Western Heights High School, Western Heights, Rotorua)

NCEA is like a collection of onions that you're forced to cut every once in a while.
(Cathy Zeng, Logan Park High School, North Dunedin, Dunedin)

If NZQA wants good results, they should create a subject called "Pimples".
(Manley Herd, OneSchool Global, Hamilton)

When dealing with NCEA struggles in the coming weeks remember: If Judith Collins has lasted this long, so can you.
(Holly Inglis, Wellington Girls' College in Thorndon, Wellington)

NCEA students don't mind being chained up in the secret school dungeon, it's just that when teachers throw the meat in the rats get it first.

(Manley Herd, OneSchool Global, Hamilton)

Just remember, when you're old and grey and in a retirement home you won't remember your NCEA results.

(Heidi Caughley, Rangi Ruru Girls' School, Merivale, Christchurch)

When is NCEA going to introduce level 2.5?

(Eve Hagenson, Sacred Heart Girls' College, Strandon, New Plymouth)

If NZQA cancelled externals, how else would we get our 40 NA credits?

(Bridget Maw, Rangi Ruru Girls' School, Merivale, Christchurch)

Getting back on track with studying is like doing a manual hill start. 99% of the time you stall.

(Lidia Fraser, Epsom Girls Grammar School, Epsom, Auckland)

Instead of Classics being about Ancient Greeks and Romans, why don't we learn about NCEA supervisors?

(Georgie Palmer, Nelson College for Girls, Nelson)

A haiku about how we all feel: Pain pain pain pain pain, Two weeks of break is not enough, Pain pain pain pain pain

(Ibuki Nishida, Mercury Bay Area School, Whitianga)

The last term of school = first time you've studied

(Jennifer Susanto, Rangitoto College, Mairangi Bay, Auckland)

School terms are like movie franchises, by the fourth one everyone's over it and just shows up to watch things fall apart.

(Kate Wilkinson-Smith, Whanganui Collegiate School, Whanganui)

If you really want to scare people this Halloween, come as a Level 3 Calculus assessment schedule.

(Georgie Palmer, Nelson College for Girls, Nelson)

Among Us vs NCEA. One strains you mentally as you are repeatedly forced to complete pointless and boring tasks. And the other is Among Us.

(Alice Gilbert, Wakatipu High School, Queenstown)

If NCEA was food, even Oliver Twist wouldn't ask for more.

(Renee Edmonds, Te Aho o Te Kura Pounamu)

We're all at the point where getting a Not Achieved endorsement is no longer impossible.

(Isabelle Faulkner, Onslow College, Johnsonville, Wellington)

Trump is the Not Achieved exemplar of AS2020: “Demonstrate understanding of being a good President”.

(Georgie Palmer, Nelson College for Girls, Nelson)

The similarities between Covid 19 and the level 2 algebra paper: Unanswered Questions

(Emily Close, Hillmorton High School, Hoon Hay, Christchurch)

What do selfish rugby players, immortal gods, and NCEA students whose year was wrecked by COVID have in common? All won't pass.

(Ibuki Nishida, Mercury Bay Area School, Whitianga)