

23 May 2024

## RE: Taranaki Airs in conjunction with NPBHS 2024 USA Basketball Tour Raffle

To: Raffle Ticket Purchasers

The Taranaki Airs and New Plymouth Boys' High School regretfully announce the above raffle has been cancelled.

The cancellation is a result of the Taranaki Airs being brought out by Media 8 last year and losing their status as an Incorporated Society. This prevented them from holding a Class 3 gambling licence and the ability to run this raffle. The school became aware of this issue at the end of March 2024 and contacted the Department of Internal Affairs about transferring the raffle to the NPBHS Old Boys' Association. Internal Affairs denied this application as they do not grant retrospective licences. We, therefore, can not offer the prizes and run the raffle and have to refund the tickets.

We sincerely apologise for the inconvenience and the delay in this announcement. It took time to work through all the organisations involved. New Plymouth Boys' High School holds all the funds and is now refunding all ticket purchasers. Please complete the following form for the refund to be processed to your nominated bank account.

Raffle Refund Form

Yours sincerely,

Hugh Russell

Deputy Headmaster