



NZ Student/Apprentice of the Year 2026

Who can enter this category?

Any Student or Apprentice with NZARBP membership who is currently in-training or graduated from November/December 2024.

How do I enter this category?

1. Read the information below to understand the requirements for entering this category
2. Register and make payment to enter this category by completing the Registration Form here: <https://bit.ly/Register2026>
3. Upon receipt of payment, the Awards Administrator will forward you a link to the Category Entry Form
4. Complete the Category Entry Form, upload your submission and submit it by **06 October 2025**
5. Minimum criteria must be met to be eligible for selection
6. Finalists will be interviewed **November 2025**

What do I need to provide?

Please prepare a submission for *NZ Student/Apprentice of the Year 2026* and include the following:

Contact Details:

Please provide the following contact details with your application:

- Full name
- Training Provider/ Clinic name and address
- Email address
- Contact phone number
- Date

1. Tell us about yourself (approx. 600-800 words) -20 points

- Describe your background and include what / whom inspired you to choose this particular career path.

2. Provide a minimum of one endorsement from your tutor/ trainer to support your application - 5 points

- Details outlining your attributes as a student/ apprentice. May include, core values - work ethic, attendance, professionalism.

3. Achievements and/or highlights as a student/ apprentice - 5 points

- Give an example, and explain what makes you stand out, e.g. a leadership role/ supporting others/ demonstrating initiative/ attaining high standards.

4. Case Studies to be submitted - 25 points each study

- Provide **two (2)** case studies showing detailed understanding, in your area of training.
(Adapt information according to whether you are a Beauty Therapy, Make-up Artistry, or Nail Technician student)

Each case study to include:

- A full and thorough consultation
- Explanation of skin condition, concerns or disorder; including cause, effects discussed
- A detailed Treatment/ Service Plan
- Explanation of procedure including chosen products for treatment/ service
- On-going home care plan, to include description of product recommendations and there ingredients
- Summary of results, including follow up treatment/service recommendations and/or referral
- Before and after photos
- Client testimonial

5. Provide us with a video of yourself - 20 points

- Video to include treatment set up, infection control procedures and where possible a 2 min treatment procedure
- remember this is the final thing the judges will see so make it count 😊

What happens next?

Entries must be received by **06 October 2025**. Any entries received after this date will not be accepted.

Finalist interviews will be conducted via video conferencing, with **dates to be confirmed**.

All Finalists are expected to attend the Awards ceremony in **February/March 2026** at the **Tote on Ascot, Ellerslie Racecourse, Auckland**. This is a formal event, and winners will be announced on the night.

NB: Please do not send your submission as an Apple pages document