



Arden Morunga



“The reason I applied for to be Youth MP is simple: it is an opportunity to engage with my community and advocate on their behalf and learn about our political process. In Hamilton East, we face challenges in our community and for our rangatahi. Challenges such as the negative culture that seems to have smothered ambition in our schools and leads to lower academic outcomes and attendance for our youth. Also, challenges surrounding economic opportunity for our youth coming out of school, because Australia is becoming the default option for leavers, and NZ is becoming the alternative. And finally, crime. From what you hear in the media to what you hear from friends and family, the stories are different, but the conclusion is always the same, someone gets harmed. These issues need resolution, and this role will hopefully work toward greater discussion and solutions. I am thankful for this opportunity.”

Selecting MP: Ryan Hamilton

Location: Hamilton