NAME:	TEA	ACHER:			
DATE:					
Mission Heights Junior College					

AS 91026 (V3)

Apply numeric reasoning in solving problems

Garden Glory

Credits: 4

You should answer ALL questions fully showing all steps and decisions taken.

Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence	
Apply numeric reasoning in solving problems.	Apply numeric reasoning, using relational thinking, in solving problems.	Apply numeric reasoning, using extended abstract thinking, in solving problems.	
Overall level of performance			

Garden Glory

Mathematics and Statistics AS90126

Credits: 4

Student instructions sheet

Mission Heights Junior College is looking to refurbish some of the gardens on site and is looking to three options. Mr Naidoo did some research on costing and came up with the following findings.

Option 1:

Flower Power, a small local New Zealand business, offers a variety of different flowers, shrubs and trees and most plants are currently on sale as seen on their website.

Flowers	Shrubs	Trees
17% off	13% discount	1/9th discount
Regular Price \$3.75NZD	Regular Price \$11.50NZD	Regular Price \$15.90NZD

All prices include GST

Option 2:

Flower Power has alternately offered the school 1/6th off the total price instead of the above discounts.

Option 3:

Green Garden, an Australian company that has branches in Auckland, also offers a wide variety of flowers, shrubs and trees as seen below.

Flowers	Shrubs	Trees
Regular Price \$2.00AUD	Regular Price \$8.30AUD	Regular Price \$11.40AUD
+GST	+GST	+GST

Exchange rate: \$1NZD = \$0.93AUD

GST is 15%

The school wants to plant flowers, shrubs and trees in a ratio of 8:5:3.

The school is willing to spend a maximum of \$450.00NZD for the plants and is looking to buy at least 60 plants for the gardens.

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Task

Your task is to devise a strategy to investigate the Schools's options and to give a recommendation on which company the School should choose and why based on the School's criteria.

Justify your answer, and discuss any assumptions you have made.

The quality of your discussions and reasoning, in particular with respect to any decisions and assumptions that you make will determine your overall grade. Students aiming for Excellence will need to show extended abstract thinking skills. Don't be afraid to extend the question beyond the problem stated here and include other factors involved in the project, but not stated on this assessment which could affect the company selected by the school.