# The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award

The world's leading youth achievement award "All young people benefit from experiencing a wide range of extracurricular activities, beyond the walls of the classroom."

Finding purpose, passion and place in the world...



### **About the Award**

The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award is a global non-formal education framework helping to inspire young people to dream big, celebrate their achievements and make a difference in their world.

The Award encourages young people to learn new skills, get physically active, volunteer within their communities and discover a sense of adventure outside the classroom.

It offers young people opportunities that help them unlock their potential and be ready for their world, whatever that world may be.

Using the Award framework and with the support of adult volunteers, young people develop their own bespoke program, as they work towards achieving the internationally recognised Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards.



#### **Award Framework**

### **Award Benefits**

Non-formal education focuses on developing the wider 'soft' skills – or 'universal' skills, or 'core' skills which help young people ensure they are ready for the world.

When paired with a formal education, it provides a fantastic foundation for a young person to thrive.

Through the Award, young people can be empowered with not just the confidence but the desire to create meaningful change; to find their purpose, passion and place in the world.

#### Did you know?

The Award is an Endorsed Program and can be used towards achievement of WACE.

### **A Longstanding Global Network**

The Award relies on the support of people and organisations around the world to ensure it can continue to offer non-formal education to young people in more than 130 countries and territories. Play your part in helping to champion and challenge young people and their communities, by delivering the Award.



#### How to Deliver the Award

#### **Award Centres**

Any organisation that works directly with young people can apply to become a licensed Award Centre to deliver the Award: schools, colleges, community organisations, sporting or social clubs etc. Award Centres deliver the Award to young people in their organisation under a key point of contact known as an Award Leader.

#### **Award Leaders**

Award Leaders help Participants with their Award by monitoring, discussing, encouraging and motivating them to reach their goals and complete their Award Journey.

Award Leaders are assisted in this role with:

- Training: face to face and on-line
- An Online Record Book (ORB) to manage Participant records and monitor their Award activity
- Resources and templates
- Phone and onsite support
- Extended hours ORB Help Desk

Delivering the Award brings your organisation many benefits, not least the opportunity to help develop young people and support them on their journey to a better future.

"The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award is a prestigious and community focused Award which is recognised world-wide. AISWA schools pride themselves on their co-curricular nonacademic programmes. Similarly to the Award itself, voluntary service, skills, physical recreation and adventure programmes are a major part of many of our schools."

> Dr Alec J O'Connell Chair, AISWA, Board of Directors

## "...it is culpable neglect not to impel young people into experiences." Kurt Hahn

# **GET INVOLVED NOW**

Contact Awards WA to find out how your organisation can start offering the Award to your young people.

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