



The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award – Australia (WA Division)



Start the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award today

THE AWARD



- It is the biggest youth self-development program in Australia for young people aged between 13 - 24
- Run in over 130 countries and with 8 million Award holders
- Celebrated 55th Anniversary in Australia in 2017
- Challenges you and rewards you for your achievements
- YOU design YOUR Award around what YOU want to do!



Service

To develop and encourage a sense of community and responsibility to others

Physical Recreation

To encourage participation in physical recreation and improvement in physical fitness and performance

Skill

Encourage the development of personal interests and practical skills

Adventurous Journey

Develop a sense of adventure and discovery whilst undertaking a journey in a group

Residential Project

To broaden experiences through involvement with other in a residential setting

BRONZE

13+ years

\$130

3 months

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2 days / 1 night
(1x Practice Journey and
1x Qualifying Journey)

N/A
(Gold level only)

Averaging at least 1 hour per week (up to 4 hours per month)

3 month time-frame refers to minor sections. Add an additional 3 months for major section.

SILVER

15yrs+

\$150

6 months

6 months

6 months

3 days / 2 nights
(1x Practice Journey and
1x Qualifying Journey)

N/A
(Gold level only)

Averaging at least 1 hour per week (up to 4 hours per month)

6 month time-frame refers to minor sections. Add an additional 6 months for major section unless previous Award has been achieved.

GOLD

16yrs+

\$170

12 months

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4 days / 3 nights
(1x Practice Journey and
1x Qualifying Journey)

5 days / 4 nights

Averaging at least 1 hour per week (up to 4 hours per month)

12 month time-frame refers to minor sections. Add an additional 6 months for major section unless previous Award has been achieved.

SERVICE

Connecting with the community and giving service to others

Examples

- animal care - RSPCA / WIRES
- *Youth Award Leader* (like a Duke of Ed "deputy")
- conservation / bush regeneration
- emergency services – SES, RFS
- fund-raising
- helping at after school care
- hospital / nursing home visiting
- library assistance
- Surf Life Saving
- litter reduction / clean-up campaigns



Must meet a **genuine need**
(not a family/friend favor)

PHYSICAL RECREATION

Encouraging participation in sport and other physical recreation and improvement of health and fitness

Examples

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| - athletics | - rock climbing |
| - basketball | - rowing |
| - cricket | - rugby |
| - cycling | - running |
| - dance | - skateboarding |
| - golf | - soccer |
| - gym | - softball |
| - hockey | - surfing |
| - kayaking | - swimming |
| - martial arts | - tennis |
| - netball | - walking |
| | - yoga |



SKILLS

Encouraging the development of **personal interests** and **practical skills**

Examples

- animal training
- art
- astronomy
- chess
- coaching
- cooking
- crafts
- drama
- fashion design
- languages
- media production
- model construction
- music
- photography
- pilot training
- public speaking
- reading
- singing
- web design
- writing



ADVENTUROUS JOURNEY

Developing a sense of **adventure** and **discovery** whilst undertaking a journey in a **group** .

3 components at each Award Level:

- *Preparation and Training*
- *Practice Journey*
- *Qualifying Journey*

TIME REQUIREMENTS



Level	Days	Nights	Minimum total hours purposeful* effort	Minimum average hours purposeful*effort per day
Bronze	2	1	12	6
Silver	3	2	21	7
Gold	4	3	32	8

* Purposeful effort means time spent towards accomplishing the purpose of the journey. Time associated with sleeping, cooking and eating is in addition to this time.

RESIDENTIAL PROJECT

To broaden experience through involvement with others in a residential setting.

Requirements:

- 5 consecutive days
- Not the Participants usual companions
- Away from home
- Shared purposeful activity (eg service or training activity)
- Assessment should be by a suitable person at the residential setting.



Examples:

Leadership Camps

Outward Bound Course

Army Cadet Training – Sergeant

Dolphin Research Info Centre

BHP Engineering Summer School

Development Course

Cattle Station Stay

Edmund Rice Camp

Crossroads Camp

Junior NCO course – RAAF Base

Conservation Camp

Surf Camp - Assistant Leader

Scout Camp for Disabled

Exchange Student to Japan

ASSESSORS

- Suitably skilled, qualified and/or experienced adults (who are approved by the Award Unit)
- Assist Participants to set suitable goals
- Help Participants to develop a program, stay focused and encourage/ recognise improvement (mentoring)
- Record positive comments and give final signoff
- **Assessors should *not* be immediate family members.**



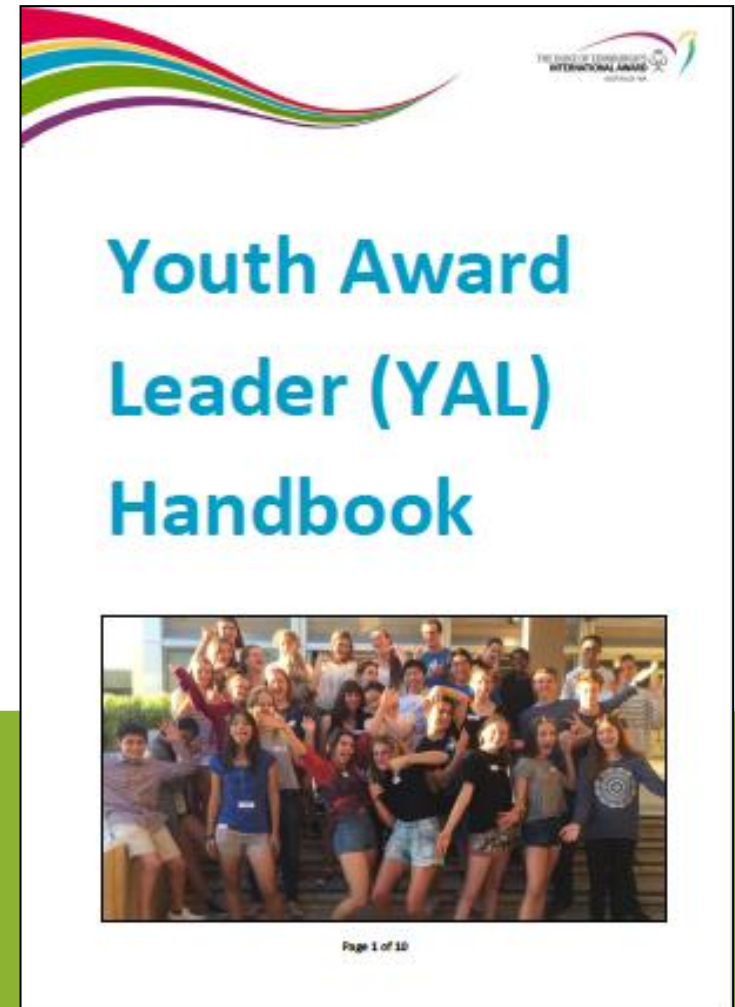
YOUTH AWARD LEADERS

YAL can take a lead role in supporting Award Leaders by:

- Providing support and guidance to other Participants
- Add hours to your Service section
- Promoting the Award to your peers
- Assisting with Administrative tasks
- Developing your leadership qualities and skills
- Liaising with your Award Leader and the WA Award Operating Authority to plan youth-led events such as National Youth Week.

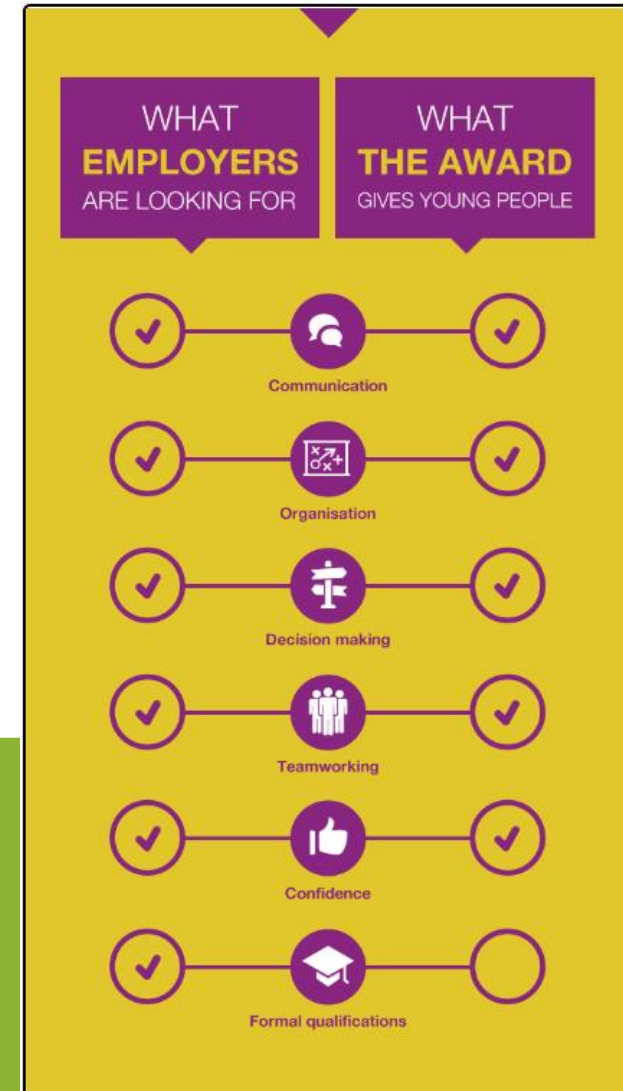
Benefits:

- Develop leadership qualities and skills
- Can count actions toward their own Award
- Young people taking the lead for a youth award
- Attend the WA Duke of Ed Youth Forum.



BENEFITS

- It's enjoyable
- It's a fantastic opportunity
- It will enhance your personal development
- It'll look great on your CV
- An internationally recognised Award
- WACE points
- Recognised by Colleges and Universities in selection processes
- Gain employability skills highly sought after by employers.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



- Can I take a break during my Award?
- Can I change activities if I need to?
- Do school or work activities count?
- Can I do my Award in conjunction with Scouts / Surf Life Saving / Cadets etc?
- Can I count any activities I was involved with prior to starting my Duke of Ed?

For more information go to: www.awardswa.org.au

QUESTIONS



