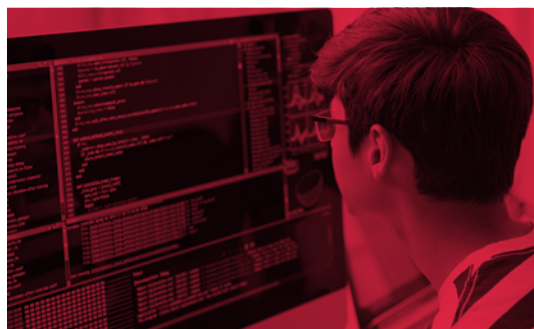


THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S
INTERNATIONAL AWARD
AUSTRALIA-NSW



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ABOUT THE DUKE OF ED

The Duke of Edinburgh’s International Award - Australia (NSW) (the Duke of Ed) is a fully inclusive global youth development framework, empowering young people aged 14-24 to explore their full potential and find their purpose, passion, and place in the world, regardless of their location or circumstance.

To achieve a Bronze, Silver or Gold Level, an individual must complete the three regular Sections - Voluntary Service, Physical Recreation and Skills, plus the Adventurous Journeys. For the Gold Level there is an additional Gold Residential Project. All young people are supported by a network of adult Duke of Ed Leaders, Assessors and Supervisors.

The Duke of Ed is recognised in more than 130 Commonwealth countries and has been operating in Australia for over 63 years, and has been under licence in New South Wales for more than 20 years by the Office of Sport. More than 775,000 young Australians have participated in The Duke of Ed to date.

THE DUKE OF ED FRAMEWORK AUSTRALIA	VOLUNTARY SERVICE	PHYSICAL RECREATION	SKILLS	ADVENTUROUS JOURNEY	GOLD RESIDENTIAL PROJECT
BRONZE 14 yrs+	3 Months	3 Months	3 Months	2 Days/1 Night • Practice Journey/s • Qualifying Journey	
Averaging 1 hour a week. Plus an additional 3 months for a Major Section in Voluntary Service, Physical Recreation or Skills.					
SILVER 15 yrs+	6 Months	6 Months	6 Months	3 Days/2 Night • Practice Journey/s • Qualifying Journey	
Averaging 1 hour a week. Plus an additional 6 months for a Major Section if the Bronze Level was not completed.					
GOLD 16 yrs+	12 Months	12 Months	12 Months	4 Days/3 Night • Practice Journey/s • Qualifying Journey	5 Days/4 Nights
Averaging 1 hour a week. Plus an additional 6 months for a Major Section if the Silver Level was not completed.					

“The Duke of Ed journey has always embraced community service, as much as it has embraced challenge and adventure. Commitment to each of these aspects is at the heart of The Duke of Edinburgh’s International Award, which are the pinnacle of achievement across Bronze, Silver, and Gold.”

Her Excellency General The Honourable Margaret Beazley AC KC



393 Duke of Ed Centres
(Across 84 LGA locations)



55% Female 45% Male
0.3% Non-binary 0.2% Prefer not to say



14 years 11 months average age

EDUCATION SECONDARY SCHOOLS

The Duke of Ed is an internationally recognised non-formal youth development program available to all secondary schools in NSW. The Duke of Ed offers a significant opportunity for secondary school students to learn additional life skills and experiences to become #WorldReady.

Being involved in the Duke of Ed and becoming a Duke of Ed Centre is easy! Your school's curriculum, such as Sport, Arts, Wellbeing or Outdoor Ed, can be integrated into the Duke of Ed framework, often with no or minimal change. The Duke of Ed framework allows students to manage their own Duke of Ed Journey with guidance from an appointed Duke of Ed Leader.

Benefits to students and schools

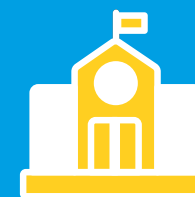
- ▶ Offers a non-formal youth development Framework for students
- ▶ Easy to align with electives such as Sport, Arts, Wellbeing or Outdoor Ed etc
- ▶ Recognises and rewards students for the work they may already be doing
- ▶ Empowers students, builds resilience, and upskills them for future career and study opportunities
- ▶ Eligibility to receive adjustment factor points at some universities
- ▶ Enhances skill development, group participation, confidence, leadership, and community involvement
- ▶ Opportunity to connect with other schools
- ▶ Opportunity to partner with local community and build positive relationships with sporting organisations.

"At Wewak Street school we are running the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award to provide our students the opportunity to be the best version of themselves, exposing students to real life experiences to build resilience, empathy, community spirit and a sense of fun and adventure."

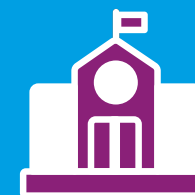
Award Leader Doug McGhee
Wewak Street School,
NSW Govt SSP School



99% of Registered Users are school age



142 Government Schools
3,923 Registered Users



224 Non-Government Schools
11,681 Registered Users



2 NSW Universities - offer adjustment factor points
3 Interstate Universities - offer adjustment factor points



More than **100** Duke of Ed employers nationally

DUKE 4SPORT

Duke 4Sport is a free partnership for sporting organisations that connects young people aged 14 to 24 with sporting clubs and organisations. Duke 4Sport partners can attract young players and volunteers by providing opportunities for Duke of Ed Users to complete their Physical Recreation, Skills, and Voluntary Service Sections of the The Duke of Ed at their organisation.

Partnership benefits

- ▶ Reach more than 16,000 young people across NSW
- ▶ Attract new players and volunteers
- ▶ Retain existing players and volunteers
- ▶ Provide additional value to your members by developing their teamwork, goal setting, and leadership skills.

“As the peak body for sport in NSW, Sport NSW is proud to support The Duke of Edinburgh’s International Award and recommend it to sporting organisations large and small. Sport survives and thrives thanks to the invaluable efforts of volunteers. The Award helps young people build important life skills through a volunteer involvement in sport, whilst developing positive values and a sense of service to the community. Sport NSW encourages all sporting organisations to become involved, to support the emerging leaders taking part and to continue the all-important tradition of volunteer contribution to sport.”

Stuart Hodge
Chief Executive Officer, Sport NSW



22 Duke 4Sport partners and
16 State Sporting Organisations



Reach more than
16,000 young people



ORGANISATIONS AND COMMUNITY GROUPS

The Duke of Ed is an opportunity for organisations and community groups to recruit new volunteers and provide young people with an opportunity to develop skills and improve their future employment opportunities.

Benefits to an organisation

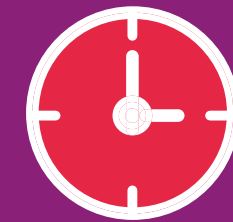
- ▶ Opportunity to build and retain volunteer numbers
- ▶ Contributes to your corporate social responsibility framework and planning
- ▶ Opportunity to connect with other like organisations, clubs, schools, and community groups
- ▶ Improves your organisation's administration and succession planning
- ▶ Supports your organisation's strategies and objectives
- ▶ Offers a volunteering framework for staff and young volunteers
- ▶ Recognises and rewards young people for volunteer work.

"For almost seven decades, the enduring partnership between PCYC NSW and The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award in NSW, emphasises our shared commitment to empowering young people. PCYC's Bluestar program demonstrates that The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award remains an integral component of PCYC's initiatives that support diverse growth, skills development, and community engagement for the vibrant rising generation of NSW."

Ben Hobby
Chief Executive Officer, PCYC



27 Duke of Ed Centres
1,203 Registered Users



275,000
Volunteer hours annually



87%
of young people more likely to get
involved in community activities



37%
continue in regular volunteering



PARENTS AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Completing the Duke of Ed is entirely voluntary. Every experience is different, and each individual can choose the activities they want to participate in for each Section. Young people often find that they may already be doing these activities and can simply apply them to their Duke of Ed.

Why complete the Duke of Ed?

- ▶ Gain employability skills and make your applications stand out
- ▶ Receive adjustment factor points at some universities
- ▶ Be recognised for your sporting, volunteering and extracurricular activities
- ▶ Challenge yourself, meet new people and have fun
- ▶ Experience a sense of adventure and learn outside the classroom
- ▶ Learn important life skills to become #WorldReady.

“For anyone considering completing the Duke of Ed, I can’t recommend it enough! Just bite the bullet and go for it!

Yes, it will take time, commitment, and a lot of organisation, but in return you will gain so many incredible experiences, enjoy new social settings, enhance your skills and knowledge in new areas that you simply can’t access in a classroom. It’s easy to personalise the Award to suit your interests, and it’s a great way to discover new ones.”

Laura Mannes
(17 years, Gold Level Achiever)

What young people say after completing the Award

90%

said that the Duke of Ed gave them the opportunity to try new things and challenge themselves.

87%

of respondents feel that they are more likely to participate in community activities.

77%

of the those who exercised less than once a month, or never, intend to complete Physical Recreation regularly.

75%

feel they have made new friends through participating in the Duke of Ed.

57%

feel they have changed as a person, because of their participation.

37%

continue in volunteering after completing the Duke of Ed.

16%

increase in regular physical activity amongst respondents with disabilities.

11%

increase in regular physical activity amongst ethnic minority.

Benefits of The Duke of Ed

- ▶ Improved life skills such as social and interpersonal skills, communication, teamwork, organisational skills, goal setting, time management, leadership, life enrichment and achievement.
- ▶ Improved mental health and emotional wellbeing due to increased social interaction, self-confidence, enhanced life skills and sense of purpose.
- ▶ Improved physical health and a healthy lifestyle due to participation in Physical Recreation with improved self-esteem, self-discipline and gave a sense of growth, determination, motivation, and achievement.
- ▶ Increased respect for diversity and ability to accept differences because of increased social interaction with people from different ages, gender, ability, and backgrounds.
- ▶ More positive about their local community and more likely to participate in future volunteering activities. Volunteering has a positive effect on well-being, self-esteem and creates a sense of achievement.
- ▶ Better understanding of environmental issues from being closer to nature and having an increased connection and understanding of the land and environment.



The Office of Sport acknowledges and celebrates the Traditional Custodians of the lands and waters of NSW where we work, live and play. We pay our respects to Elders past and present, and recognise their strengths, knowledge, and continuing connection to Country.

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