

BRIGIDINE DEAS – BRONZE, SILVER, GOLD

Information for Registration - 2023

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE Tuesday 15th November 2022

Please read the following parent/student information then follow the instructions on the last page on how to register.

PARENT/STUDENT INFORMATION 2023

- The Duke of Edinburgh Award (DEA) is an International Award program which provides young people between the ages of 14-25 years the opportunity to experience a sense of personal achievement through individual challenge, team work and fun. Young people who take part in this award experience real connection to both their immediate and global communities. The Award will empower them to become future leaders and true global citizens.
- The award is run upon the guidelines set down by the Duke of Edinburgh's Award and is designed to individually challenge you in a noncompetitive way, encouraging personal growth, perseverance and commitment.
- There are three levels to the program: Bronze, Silver and Gold and four components to each level:
 - **Service:** Volunteering time to assist others or your community
 - **Physical Recreation:** Improving fitness and discovering new sports or active recreational activity
 - **Skills:** Undertake a new interest or hobby or extending on a current one
 - **Adventurous Journey:** This is the only section of The Award required to be undertaken in a group. Undertaking a journey in an unfamiliar environment is about creating opportunities for team building through shared planning, role allocation, problem solving and accommodating physical and personality differences. There are two adventurous journeys – Practice & Qualifying.
- The first 3 components require each participant to choose and personally organize their activities whilst the adventurous journey / expedition component is planned in conjunction with the Brigidine coordinator and an external operator (a professional/qualified outdoor education group).
- All activities are extracurricular and voluntary.

	BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD
Service	Minimum 3 months	Minimum 6 months	Minimum 12 months
Physical recreation	Minimum 3 months	Minimum 6 months	Minimum 12 months
Skill	Minimum 3 months <i>With an additional 3 months in one of these sections</i>	Minimum 6 months	Minimum 12 months
Adventurous Journey	2 days/1 night	3 days/2 nights	4 days/3 nights
Residential Project	N/A	N/A	5 days/4 nights

- Attached you will find an outline of expedition dates for 2023. It is a requirement that registered students participate in both the practice and qualifying expeditions.
- An Expedition Fee will apply for the expedition components.
- **Expedition Fees** shown below are the expected all-up charge for 2023 but may be subject to minor changes once student registrations are completed:
 - **BRONZE: \$900** – Preliminary Training Day; two expeditions consisting of 1 night and two days each. Includes equipment hire. The Fee will be invoiced in early Term 1 and may be paid in full, or by setting up an instalment plan through to the end of Term 2.
 - **SILVER: \$1,100** – Two expeditions consisting of 2 nights and 3 days each. Includes equipment hire. The Fee will be invoiced in early Term 1 and may be paid in full, or by setting up an instalment plan through to the end of Term 2.
 - **GOLD Option 1: \$1,350** - Two expeditions consisting of 4 days and three nights each, plus a travel day as required. The Fee will be invoiced in early Term 3 and may be paid in full, or by setting up an instalment plan through to the end of Term 4.
 - **GOLD Fiji Option: \$700** – One qualifying expedition consisting of 4 days and three nights, plus a travel day as required. This fee will be invoiced in Term 4.
- **Students who participant in the Fiji Experience will pay fees directly to the travel provider Worn Gundidj.** The Tour fee of \$5,300 is an indicative price only, and subject to changes according to registration numbers, exchange rates and other factors. Further information will follow.



- In 2023 girls will have the choice of their mode of transport for expeditions. They may select to hike or canoe. All participants at all levels will need to indicate their preferred expedition type on the registration form. When deciding please consider the following:
 - Girls who to do Bronze will complete the practice expedition the day prior to and during the school camp. This is only applicable at a Year 9 Bronze level.
 - All expeditions will be conducted on set dates as listed on the attachment so please consider the weather if you are wishing to canoe, these will not be in peak summer. When choosing expedition dates please only consider weekend dates during term time if you are prepared to be in attendance at school every day the following week, no absentees following an expedition will be accepted. It is definitely not in the spirit of Duke of Edinburgh Award.
- The College will not be able to offer alternate dates for expeditions so please take note of these dates. If a student cannot attend these expeditions, they will be put in touch with an external provider who will allow them to join a community camp group for the expedition as organized by the student and a credit will be given for that expedition cost.
- An Information Evening with more details for Parents and Students is planned for **Thursday 9th February 2023** to provide a complete overview of the program. This will be an opportunity to hear from a Land's Edge Foundation representative, as well as learn more about the benefits and structure of the award.
- In the meantime if you require further information please contact: Mrs Skye Wachter – Brigidine College swacher@brigidine.nsw.edu.au or go to the DEA website www.dukeofed.org.au
- The standards of initiative, commitment and team work to achieve a Bronze, Silver or Gold award are high but the rewards are great.
- I hope this information will help with your planning for 2023 and I look forward to working with you all on your DEA journey next year.
- Please document the dates listed on the next page.

HOW TO REGISTER

STEP 1 COMPLETE AND EMAIL THE PARENT CONSENT FORM

Parents complete the parent consent section of this registration information. Once the parent / Guardian Consent Form is completed on pages 4-6 it must be saved as your daughter's name and registration level and emailed to swacher@brigidine.nsw.edu.au

STEP 2 PARENTS COMPLETE ONLINE REGISTRATION

Parents Complete the online form to select expedition type and dates. The link is at the bottom of page 6 of the Information for Registration as well as [HERE](#).

STEP 3 PAYMENT

Parents are invoiced via Sentral once registrations have closed. Payment of the invoice will be paid in full or in instalments as organized by the Finance department and will be communicated to you.

BRONZE - \$200	SILVER - \$250	GOLD - \$300
This fee will cover the online record book; insurance and registration with DEA.	This fee will cover the online record book; insurance and registration with DEA.	This fee will cover the online record book; insurance and registration with DEA; and a Brigidine DEA shirt.

REGISTRATION IS NOT COMPLETE UNTIL ALL STEPS ARE COMPLETED

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE **Tuesday 15th November 2022**
Invoices will be distributed via Sentral Parent Portal

Brigidine St Ives Duke of Edinburgh Dates 2023

Compulsory Information Night (All participants) –
Thursday 9th February 2023 Murray Theatre

Compulsory Preliminary Training (Bronze) –
Sunday 12th February 2023. 9.00AM – 3.00PM
Deep Creek Narrabeen

Bronze		Silver		Gold
Practice Expedition		Practice Expedition		Practice Expedition
Option 1 School camp and the day before <u>Start:</u> Sunday 5 March <u>Finish:</u> Monday 6 March <u>Venue:</u> Murramarang National Park <u>Activity:</u> Hike <u>Transport:</u> Coach <u>No. of Groups:</u> TBC <u>Briefing:</u> Monday 13 February 2023	Option 2 School camp and the day before <u>Start:</u> Sunday 5 March <u>Finish:</u> Monday 6 March <u>Venue:</u> Clyde River <u>Activity:</u> canoe <u>Transport:</u> Coach <u>No. of Groups:</u> 2 (max 28 students) <u>Briefing:</u> Monday 13 February 2023	Option 1 <u>Start:</u> Sat 22 April <u>Finish:</u> Mon 24 April <u>Venue:</u> Royal/Heathcote National Park <u>Activity:</u> Hike <u>Transport:</u> Parents <u>No. of Groups:</u> 2 <u>Briefing:</u> Thursday 23 March 2023	Option 2 <u>Start:</u> Sat 22 April <u>Finish:</u> Mon 24 April <u>Venue:</u> Kangaroo Valley <u>Activity:</u> Canoe <u>Transport:</u> Coach <u>No. of Groups:</u> 2 - 3 <u>Briefing:</u> Thursday 23 March 2023	Option 1 only <u>Start:</u> Saturday 23 September <u>Finish:</u> Tuesday 26 September <u>Venue:</u> tbc <u>Activity:</u> Pack & Paddle <u>Transport:</u> tbc <u>No. of Groups:</u> 1-3 <u>Briefing -</u> Wednesday 30 August 2023 OR Fiji possibly TBC
Bronze		Silver		Gold
Qualifying Expedition		Qualifying Expedition		Qualifying Expedition
Option 1 <u>Start:</u> 10 June <u>Finish:</u> 11 June <u>Venue:</u> Great North Walk <u>Activity:</u> Hike <u>Transport:</u> Parents <u>Groups:</u> TBC <u>Briefing:</u> Tuesday 30 May 2023	Option 2 <u>Start:</u> 10 June <u>Finish:</u> 11 June <u>Venue:</u> Colo River <u>Activity:</u> Canoe <u>Transport:</u> Parents <u>Groups:</u> 2 (max 28 students) <u>Briefing:</u> Tuesday 30 May 2023	Option 1 only <u>Start:</u> Saturday 10 June <u>Finish:</u> Monday 12 June <u>Venue:</u> Hawkesbury River & Great North <u>Activity:</u> Hike or Canoe <u>Transport:</u> Parents <u>No. Of Groups:</u> TBC <u>Briefing:</u> Thursday 1 June 2023		Option 1 only <u>Start:</u> Sunday 10 December <u>Finish:</u> Thursday 14 December <u>Venue:</u> Kosciusko National Park <u>Activity:</u> Pack & Paddle <u>Transport:</u> tbc <u>No. Of Groups:</u> 1-3 <u>Planning meetings:</u> Term 4 fortnightly at lunchtimes <u>Briefing –</u> Thursday 16 Nov 2023

If Fiji goes ahead, the Gold qual would be 4-7 December and travel 3 December.

PARTICIPANT APPLICATION FORM UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE
Includes Parent/Guardian Consent for Participants under 18 years of age

SECTION 1 – Participant Information & Agreement
To be completed by the Participant

Participant Name:
[given name(s)] [family name]

Home Address:
..... State/Territory: Postcode:

Gender Male Female

Date of Birth: Age:

Phone: (Home): (Mob):

Email:

Award Unit: Brigidine College St Ives
[name of School/Organisation/Group]

Level 2022: Bronze Silver Gold

PARTICIPANT DATA (VOLUNTARY):

This information is collected and used for statistical purposes only, to enable us to collect information for the purposes of improving design, evaluation, access, delivery and equity of The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award - Australia (The Duke of Ed/the Award). The provision of this information is voluntary. Please ✓ where appropriate.

Do you identify as being of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander origin?

Yes No

Do you speak a language other than English at home?

Yes No

Do you consider yourself to have a disability, impairment or long-term health condition?

Yes No

PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT

I have read and/or had explained to me, and agree to comply with, the Requirements and Conditions of my participation in The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award - Australia, as described on the website www.dukeofed.com.au, and also set out in Section 2 below.

Participant's Signature: Date:

SECTION 2 – Parent/Guardian Consent

This section **must** be completed for Participants **under 18 years of age**.

To be completed by the parent/guardian

I,
[full name of parent/guardian]

of
[home address]

..... State/Territory: Postcode:

Phone: (Home): (Mob):

Email:

am the parent/guardian of(the Participant named in Section 1). I consent to him/her participating in The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award under the supervision of:

Brigidine College St Ives.....
[name of Award Unit (e.g. School/Organisation/Group)]

and to him/her undertaking activities to fulfil the requirements of the Award

REQUIREMENTS AND CONDITIONS

1. I understand that the Participant cannot participate in the Award until this form has been completed (including Section 2 – Parent/Guardian Consent) and returned to the relevant Award Unit with the applicable registration fee, and has then been accepted by the Award Unit.
2. I consent to the Award Unit and any other individuals, including Volunteers[#], who are involved in or assist in organising The Duke of Ed, and hired transportation drivers, transporting the Participant for the purpose of participating in activities or functions related to The Duke of Ed, as required. I understand that the Award Unit will notify me in advance of when and where such travel will occur.
3. I understand that certain activities are considered high-risk and that high-risk activities are not covered by the insurance arrangements of the National Award Authority (www.dukeofed.com.au). I understand that the responsibility for all risks arising from the Participant's participation in the Award is placed solely upon the Participant.
4. I authorise employees, officers or agents of the Award Unit and any other individuals who participate in, are involved in or assist in organising The Duke of Ed, in the event of any accident, injury, illness or loss suffered by the Participant whilst participating in, or travelling to and from, any activities or functions related to The Duke of Ed, to obtain any necessary medical assistance or treatment including, but not limited to, engaging any doctors, nurses or hospital accommodation.
5. I consent to pay all such doctors, nurses or hospital accommodation fees and expenses incurred on behalf of the Participant as a result of any such accident, injury, illness or loss suffered by the Participant whilst participating in, or travelling to and from, any activities or functions related to The Duke of Ed.
6. I consent to and understand the photographs may be taken of the Participant participating in certain activities related to the Award and such photographs may be used for promotion purposes provided an

appropriate release form has been signed by both the Participant and their parent/guardian.

7. I have read and understood the different levels and requirements of the Award as set out in the Outline of the Program (See Award Handbook &/or <https://dukeofed.com.au/about-the-award/award-framework/>).

8. I understand every Participant must participate in the Award through an Award Unit who has the discretion to accept or reject Participants and proposed activities to be undertaken as part of the Award.

9. I understand that the Participant cannot commence any particular Section of the Award until: I have satisfied myself that any Volunteer nominated by the Participant, who is not an employee of the Award Unit, is suitably experienced and/or qualified to instruct/supervise/assess that Section of the Award; and until any relevant Volunteers have completed and returned required documentation to the Award Unit.

10. I understand that upon acceptance into The Duke of Ed by the Award Unit, the Participant will receive a Record Book or gain access to the Online Record Book (ORB). The Participant will read the requirements of the Award contained in the Record Book/ORB/www.dukeofed.com.au prior to commencing activities in relation to The Duke of Ed. I understand that the Award Unit has the discretion to determine whether the Award requirements have been met and therefore whether Bronze, Silver or Gold Award should be issued. I understand that the National Award Authority provides Participants with limited insurance in respect of personal accident and public liability (insurance) commencing upon acceptance into The Duke of Ed by the Award Unit.

11. I understand that:

- a. a Participant must not drive a motor vehicle or transport other Participants participating in activities related to the Award, unless the Participant holds an appropriate and valid driver's licence and there is appropriate third party insurance in place to cover any person injured as a consequence of the Participant's driving; and
- b. a Participant must not be driven by any individual who is not involved in or assisting in organising The Duke of Ed, for the purposes of participating in The Duke of Ed unless the individual holds an appropriate and valid driver's licence and there is appropriate third party insurance in place to cover any person injured as a consequence of the individual's driving.

12. I understand that Participants are required to comply with the Award requirements contained in the Record Book/ORB/www.dukeofed.com.au, the policies of the relevant National or State/Territory Award Operating Authority (as amended from time to time) and requirements of the State/Territory Award Operating Authority and Award Unit in relation to emergency plans, assessment of activities and the conduct of Adventurous Journeys related to The Duke of Ed and understand that Award Units may withdraw their approval to the Participant's participation in The Duke of Ed if they do not comply.

13. I consent to the provision of any personal information that has been provided (including Participant Data) to the Award Unit, State/Territory Award Operating Authority or National Award Authority. I consent to this information being treated in accordance with the provisions of the Privacy Policy of the relevant National Award Authority or State/Territory Award Operating Authority (as amended from time to time), the Australian Privacy Principles contained in the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth), and any other privacy legislation, standards, guidelines or instructions binding on them under privacy legislation.

14. **Privacy:** The National Award Authority and the State/Territory Award Operating Authorities are committed to respecting your privacy. Personal information is collected on this Form for the purpose of participating in the Award. Participants who do not provide this information to us cannot participate in the Award (note that non-provision of Participant Data does not have this consequence). We may also use your personal information to send you information about other Award activities or events which we believe may be of interest to you. We may disclose this information to other Australian and international organisations and service providers who assist us in the operation and administration of the Award. If you would like to contact us

or access your personal information please write to the National Award Authority. You may also contact the National Award Authority and/or where applicable, State/Territory Award Operating Authority to request a copy of their Privacy Policy.

Please ✓ if accepted:

I have read, understood and agree to comply with, the Requirements and Conditions of the Participants participation in The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award, as described above and on the website www.dukeofed.com.au.

Parent/Guardian Signature: Date:

The Award Unit agrees to accept the abovementioned as a Participant of the Award according to the Requirements and Conditions as described above and on the website: www.dukeofed.com.au

Signed on behalf of the Award Unit:

Award Leader Name: Skye Wacher

Signature: *Skye Wacher* Date: 10.10.2022

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING IN ORDER TO COMPLETE REGISTRATION:

- 1. Return completed form via email to: swacher@brigidine.nsw.edu.au**
- 2. Parents Complete the online form to select expedition type and dates.**

#For the purposes of The Duke of Ed, and therefore this document, a "Volunteer" means anyone over the age of 18 who assists with The Duke of Ed, either in a paid or unpaid capacity. This includes all Award Leaders, Assessors and Supervisors.