



Invitation to Participate

ACT Annual Citizenship Student Citizenship Awards

The ACT Branch of The Order of Australia Association is inviting nominations of ACT Students, Schools and Colleges.

The Association, which seeks to foster pride in active Australian citizenship, particularly in the younger members of the community, has developed dedicated student awards.

These awards publically recognize voluntary community service and activities, and the demonstration of good citizenship.

The awards are endorsed by the ACT Government Minister for Education and are supported by government and non-government school authorities.



More information

Please write to:

**Awards Convener
The Order of Australia (ACT Branch)
GPO Box 423,
Canberra ACT 2601**

OR

contact us online via:

www.theorderofaustralia.asn.au

- and follow the links to the ACT Branch



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Annual Student Citizenship Awards

**Applications now
open**

The Order of Australia Association

OAA Student Citizenship Awards Australian Capital Territory

- an activity of the ACT Branch of The
Order of Australia Association



***Do you know a student or school
group whom you believe is worthy of
significant recognition?***

If so, they can be nominated for an **OAA
ACT Student Citizenship Award**.

There are two categories:

1. For student groups from Kindergarten -Year 12 for group activities in **community service and/or citizenship projects** which are making a positive difference.
2. For Year 11 or 12 students, or those undertaking a gap year in Australia or overseas – **for outstanding individual leadership and achievement**.

Who nominates?

Anyone can nominate, but the nomination needs to be endorsed and submitted by the Principal of an ACT School or College.

How do I apply?

Together with a covering letter, nominations consist of one to two A4 pages which highlight the achievements of the group or individual, and reflect the values inherent in active Australian citizenship.

For further information, go to FAQs on the next page and to

www.theorderofaustralia.asn.au/branches/act/studentawards2.php)

Nominations are to be sent to:
Student Awards, OAA, ACT
GPO Box 423
Canberra City ACT 2601

Or email to:
actstudentawards@theorderofaustralia.asn.au

When do I apply?

Nominations for these annual awards are **due by the last day of Term 3**.

When are the awards presented?

Recipients of Awards, their families and school representatives are invited to the Awards ceremony held in November.

School awards are kept at the school. Individual awards are kept by the recipient.

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FAQs

Is there a quota?

No. Awards are judged on merit and there is no fixed number.

Who decides on the Awardees?

An independent panel of The Order of Australia Association distinguished members considers all nominations, and advises the ACT OAA Branch Committee of its decisions.

Is this award part of the The Order of Australia Awards?

No. This is a community activity of The Order of Australia Association ACT Branch. The Student Citizenship Awards are not part of the Order Honours system.

Are there similar awards for Schools?

Yes. Other OAA state branches have similar award programs for schools and students. For information on these see:
www.theorderofaustralia.asn.au/branches

What are the award criteria?

There are no fixed criteria, but some or all of the following are indicative:

- Active assistance to those in need e.g. elderly, disadvantaged
- Demonstrated concern for and initiatives in addressing the wellbeing of others
- Leadership - producing significant benefits for the school or community
- Contribution to active sustainability of community resources
- Contributions reflecting the values of active Australian citizenship