

GET INVOLVED

Award Leader



What is the Award?

The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award is a global program of achievement for young people ages 14 to 24. It challenges young people to push their limits, try new things, meet new people, and become the best version of themselves. Through a flexible framework of activities, the Award encourages participants to pursue their interests and passions while earning an internationally recognized Award.

How can I make a difference?

As an Award Leader, you can directly impact the growth and development of young people through the Award program. Award Leaders are guides, mentors, cheer leaders, and task masters. Working with a group of young people, the Award Leader helps each participant to choose activities that are suitable for them, and then works to encourage them in their progress and helps them overcome the challenges they may face along the way. Additionally, the Award Leader is the one who ensures that the participant has met all of the Award's requirements and successfully completed their Award.

Being an Award Leader

An effective Award Leader is an adult who enjoys working with young people and seeing them achieve their potential. Award Leaders are interested in seeing their participants succeed but are willing to give them the responsibility for their own successes. Award Leaders must be organized, committed to the principles of the Award program, and ready to make a difference in the lives of young people.

If this sounds like you, contact the National Office of the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award USA at info@usaward.org to get involved.

“ Seeing the difference that the Award can make in the life of a young person is a real privilege. Knowing that I have had a hand in helping my participants discover what they can accomplish is a fantastic experience.

– Award Leader