NOT ALL LEARNING HAPPENS IN THE CLASSROOM.

Some skills are best developed through experiences. The Duke of Edinburgh’s International Award encourages young people to improve mental and physical health, build meaningful connections, give back to their communities, and embrace structure and purpose. These essential life skills are exactly what universities and employers look for in applicants.

The Award offers a unique, internationally recognized accreditation for a young person’s activities and experiences. It enables young people age 14 - 24 to engage in a personalized self-development program where they set goals, challenge themselves, leave their comfort zones, and gain valuable skills as global citizens of the world.

AWARD LEVELS

**Bronze**
- **Age:** 14+ years
- **Time Required:** Minimum 6 months

**Silver**
- **Age:** 15+ years
- **Time Required:** Minimum 12 months

**Gold**
- **Age:** 16+ years
- **Time Required:** Minimum 18 months

AWARD SECTIONS

**VOLUNTARY SERVICE**
Serve others and make a positive impact in the community

**PHYSICAL RECREATION**
Get active and improve your physical and mental wellbeing

**SKILLS**
Improve your skills in current passions or develop new talents

**ADVENTUROUS JOURNEY**
Work as a team to gain a deeper appreciation of the great outdoors

**GOLD PROJECT**
Embrace an unfamiliar environment and engage with others on a meaningful project

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IT TRULY DID CHANGE MY LIFE...

I gained so many friendships and perspectives on life. It taught me that with consistency, you can develop personal and professional growth, and this Award has really helped me develop into adulthood.

Kristina Ayanian
Bronze, Silver, and Gold Award Holder

BENEFITS OF THE AWARD

- **Enhance current curriculum** and programming
- Online system to **record activities**, such as service hours
- Opportunity to address **socialization skills and enhance wellness programs**
- Promote essential **life skills**
- Increase **leadership, goal setting, and resilience**
- Create **lifelong memories** and have fun along the way!

1 MILLION participants per year

A UNIQUE international accreditation

Active now in **130+ COUNTRIES** and territories

Working with **LIKE-MINDED** schools and organizations

Trusted **YOUTH DEVELOPMENT** program since 1956

IF YOU ARE A SCHOOL, A UNIVERSITY, A YOUTH GROUP,

I wholeheartedly encourage you to engage with the Duke of Edinburgh’s International Award. It will allow your children, students, and friends to experience something that they might not otherwise experience. They are encouraged to step out of their comfort zone. They are encouraged to do something they might not otherwise do all inside a non-competitive environment.

Alan Howie
Head of Upper School, Viewpoint School, California

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