2018

Pierre de Coubertin Awards



Dear Sports Co-ordinator,

On behalf of the Western Australian Olympic Council, I invite your school to participate in the 2018 Pierre de Coubertin Awards.

Online nominations will open Tuesday 5 June HERE.

The Awards, named after the founder of the modern Olympic Games, promote the importance of participation in sport and physical activity. They recognise students who demonstrate initiative, teamwork, sportsmanship and fair play through participation in a variety of sports, qualities which we are very familiar with, and are consistent with the fundamental aims of the Olympic movement.

We invite you to select one student as your school's Pierre de Coubertin Award Recipient for 2018. The student may be from Year 10, 11 or 12 and must meet the awards' criteria. The completed Recipient Nomination Form must be received at the Western Australian Olympic Council by Friday 3 August 2018. Having met the criteria, your Pierre de Coubertin Award Recipient will no doubt be a valuable role model for the entire school community. The Award provides an ideal opportunity for you to acknowledge them.

Award Recipients will each receive a certificate signed by Mr John Coates AC, President of the Australian Olympic Committee, 100 nominations will be invited to receive their award at Olympic Academy Day and Official Presentation Ceremony to be held in Perth on Saturday 1 September 2018, where they will have the opportunity to receive their award in front of all other Academy Day attendees and guests. Prior to the Presentation Ceremony each Award Recipient will have the unique opportunity to participate in an Olympic Academy Day where they will meet with Olympians and participate in various workshops focused on leadership and the Olympic values of Excellence Respect and Friendship.

For further information about the Awards, please contact Lisa Lilleyman, Western Australian Olympic Council by email at lisa.lilleyman@olympics.com.au or on telephone (08) 6168 9185, or visit the Awards website online at education.olympics.com.au for more information.

Yours sincerely,

GREG KAEDING

President

Western Australian Olympic Council

ABOUT THE AWARDS

The acknowledged founder of the modern Olympics, Baron Pierre de Coubertin, was convinced that participation in physical activity played a significant role in developing the individual.

The Awards are designed to recognise students who demonstrate initiative, teamwork, sportsmanship and fair play through participation in a variety of sports in the competitive arena. These qualities are consistent with the fundamental aims of the Olympic Movement. The Awards provide your school with the opportunity to acknowledge your Award Recipient.

The Awards are held in each State every year (except the NT) and since 1993 over 16,500 students have been recognised for their positive character traits and ideals.

ELIGIBILITY

Students eligible for the Award must:

- NOT have received the Pierre de Coubertin Award on a previous occasion;
- be enrolled in either Year 10, 11 or 12 in 2018; and
- meet the criteria for the Award.

CRITERIA

Sport Participation

At some stage during Years 7-12, the Award Recipient must have represented the school, district or region as a participant in at least three sports in the competitive arena, demonstrating initiative, teamwork, sportsmanship and fair play. One of those sports must be on the current Olympic program. www.olympic.org/sports

Literary or Artistic Work

The Award Recipient must submit an original piece of literary OR artistic work, which illustrates their appreciation of the Olympic Movement. Literary or Artistic works can include, but are not limited to, songs, poems, paintings or video footage of creative presentations. Literary works should be a maximum of 250 words. Artistic works should be a maximum A2 size or equivalent in a 3D context. Encourage your nominee to be creative with their submission. Artworks will be displayed and exceptional presentations, literary works and musical performances will be incorporated into the Presentation Ceremony on Saturday 1 September 2018 in Perth.

OLYMPIC ACADEMY DAY AND OFFICIAL PRESENTATION CEREMONY

The first 100 nominations received will be invited to the Olympic Academy Day and Official Presentation Ceremony where they will have the opportunity to meet with Olympians and participate in various Leadership workshops before the Presentation ceremony. The 2018 Olympic Academy Day and Official Presentation Ceremony will be held in Perth on **Saturday 1 September 2018**.

Following the nomination closing date, all nominees and their schools will be notified on the outcome of their nomination.

The certificates of students not attending the Olympic Academy Day and Presentation Ceremony will be mailed to their school for presentation at an appropriate occasion such as a school assembly or Awards night.

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 3 August Pierre de Coubertin Award nominations close

Friday 17 August Olympic Academy Day and Official Presentation Ceremony RSVP's close

Saturday 1 September Olympic Academy Day and Official Presentation Ceremony in Perth

NOMINATION CHECKLIST

- Nomination form submitted on-line?
- Literary / Artistic work completed and submitted?
- Entry submitted no later than Friday 3 August?

FAO

Is the Pierre de Coubertin Award for elite sportspeople only?

No. The Award aims to recognise good sportsmanship and not just elite performance.

Is there just one overall winner of the Award?

No. Every student who is nominated and fulfils the criteria receives the Award from the Australian Olympic Committee.

Do the three sports have to be Olympic Sports?

Only one sport needs to be an Olympic sport. The other two sports can be any competitive sport. They can be, but are not limited to, swimming, athletics, cross country, hockey, tennis, soccer, rugby union, rugby league, AFL, archery, baseball, netball, basketball, rowing, fencing, diving etc. For a list of all sports on the current Olympic Program go to www.olympic.org/sports.

Can I nominate more than one student?

No. Only one student per school can be nominated for the Award each year.

How do I complete the Nominee's Sporting Achievements section on the Recipient Nomination Form?

Space has been provided for one concise sentence about the nominee's sporting highlight to date. Please discuss this with the nominee. If they are successful, the information in this sentence will be read by the Master of Ceremonies during the Official Awards Presentation Ceremony as the recipient receives their Award in front of all awardees and guests at the Academy Day.

Why do I need to provide a parent email address for the student?

All nominees are sent an email from the Western Australian Olympic Council to notify them of the result of their nomination. If they are one of the first 100 nominations received, the email will include a personal invitation to attend the Official Presentation Ceremony.

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