



## THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA ASSOCIATION LIMITED

### SOUTH AUSTRALIA BRANCH

ABN 40 008 612 664 004

Patron: Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, Governor of South Australia

## STUDENT CITIZENSHIP AWARDS 2026

Nominations are now invited for the 2026 Student Citizenship Awards. Each school or college is entitled to nominate from Years 11 and/or 12, one or two students who satisfy the criteria listed below for these prestigious awards.

***Please note: Students nominated for this Award in past years are eligible to be renominated, but any student previously recognised in the Top 10 by the Governor will be ranked only on achievements since that recognition.***

The awards are intended to recognise those senior students who contribute broadly to school and/or the general community rather than for specific academic or sporting achievements. The Awards exemplify the Association's objective:

### *To celebrate and promote outstanding Australian citizenship*

All nominations received are considered by an adjudication panel, and those students judged worthy of recognition will receive a special medallion and certificate signed by Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, Governor of South Australia and Patron of this Branch of the Association.

The ten students judged most worthy will receive a 'With Distinction' certificate and a special plaque with medallion at a reception at Government House hosted later in the year by Her Excellency. At this ceremony, the annual **Keith 'Chook' Fowler OAM** Award for the 2026 Student Citizen of the Year will be announced.

In keeping with the aim of the Association to raise awareness about the Order of Australia, each School can have a member of the Association – an Australian Honours recipient – attend a suitable school function, probably in term 4, to present the Student Citizenship Award medallion and certificate to the recipient student.

Arrangements for the member's attendance will be coordinated by the Convenor in conjunction with and subject to approval from the school / college.

The assessment and selection for the Awards will be based on the criteria set out in the accompanying pages. Please use this 2026 Nomination Form to lodge all nominations.

IF REQUIRED, ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THE NOMINATION FORM FOR 2026 can be downloaded from the Order of Australia Association Limited (SA Branch) website at:

<https://www.theorderofaustralia.asn.au/sa/school-awards/>

# **STUDENT CITIZENSHIP AWARDS** **and Student Citizen of the Year**

## **Selection Criteria 2026**

For each nomination, the following will be used to identify and assess the nature of service to the school and community:

- ◆ Achievements that display significant benefits for the broader and school communities.
- ◆ Citizenship, leadership and skills in organisation, management and communication.
- ◆ Concern for the well-being of disadvantaged others in need, such as (but not limited to) homeless youth, refugees, elderly or those with a disability,

### ***AND / OR***

Making a significant contribution to the development and/or sustainability of the environment or community

The above criteria have been incorporated into two text boxes so that *the submission should follow the appropriate headings to succinctly address the criteria with relevant supporting evidence.*

Submissions should be written electronically in the third person, using a minimum font size of 11 or 12, and prepared by the staff member or school contact making the nomination.

**Please note : Students may not nominate themselves nor write their own submissions.**

The nomination should be supported and endorsed by the Principal.

PLEASE USE THE TEMPLATE provided on the following pages to complete the submission and then email to:

**[sca.sabranh@theorderofaustralia.asn.au](mailto:sca.sabranh@theorderofaustralia.asn.au)**

**no later than 5.00pm, Monday 27 July 2026. Late nominations will not be accepted.**

**For enquiries or further information please contact:**

**Dr Neville Highett AM : 0408 843 768**



**THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA ASSOCIATION LIMITED**  
**South Australia Branch**

***Student Citizenship Awards and Student Citizen of the Year***  
**NOMINATION FORM 2026**

**Student Nominated**

**Name:**

(as the student wishes the name to appear on the certificate)

<b>Year level in School:</b>	<b>Age:</b>
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(years & months)

<b>Home address:</b>
<b>Home phone or mobile:</b>
<b>Email:</b>

**School/College**

**Name:**

**Nominated by:**

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Position:</b>
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**School Contact Details:**

<b>Postal Address:</b>	
<b>Phone:</b>	<b>Mobile:</b>
<b>Email:</b>	

<b>Has this student been nominated for this Award previously?</b> Please Select	
<b>Was the student listed in the top 10 students?</b> Please Select	
<i>If YES, the student will be assessed on achievements since the earlier nomination.</i>	

**Supported (Principal):**

<b>Name:</b>	<b>date:</b>
<b>Email:</b>	

In support of this nomination, please use the following pages to provide a written statement of citizenship service related to the criteria provided.

**ADDRESSING THE CRITERIA**

In support of this nomination, use the following text boxes to provide a written statement of citizenship service related to the criteria outlined below. The Text Boxes will automatically expand as necessary. Address the criteria by citing relevant evidence in the text boxes provided.

**1. Achievements that have significantly benefited the broader and school communities, demonstrating evidence of citizenship, leadership and proficiency in organisation, management, and communication (max 750 words)**

**2. Demonstrates initiative and concern for the well-being of disadvantaged equity groups in need such as (but not limited to) homeless youth, refugees, elderly or those with a disability, AND / OR**

**Showcase a significant contribution(s) to the development and/or sustainability of the environment and/or community (750 words max)**

**Please confirm the name given is as the student wishes the name to appear on the certificate, and that it is spelt correctly.**

**When complete, please submit this nomination by email to:**

**[sca.sabran@theorderofaustralia.asn.au](mailto:sca.sabran@theorderofaustralia.asn.au)**

**to be received by the closing date – 5.00pm on Monday 27 July 2026.**

***Nominations received after the closing date shall only be considered if there are substantial extenuating circumstances accepted by the assessment panel.***

The Student Citizenship Awards, through the Order of Australia Association Limited, SA Branch are supported by the Government of South Australia and are separate from but proudly presented in collaboration with the program for The Governor's Civics Awards for Schools. Each nomination received is also eligible for consideration for the **Keith 'Chook' Fowler OAM Award for the Student Citizen of the Year.**

Please note that the receipt of an award under this program does not entitle the recipient to the use of post-nominal letters or to apply for membership of the Order of Australia Association Limited.

Further information about the Student Citizenship Awards and the Order of Australia Association Limited can be found at:

**[www.theorderofaustralia.asn.au/sa/school-awards](http://www.theorderofaustralia.asn.au/sa/school-awards)**

