

The Order of Australia Association Limited, South Australia Branch

National President: the Honourable Hieu Van Le AC

STUDENT CITIZENSHIP AWARDS

The 2026 Student Citizenship Awards
For release on 1 November 2026

The Student Citizenship Awards program is conducted annually as the flagship program of the SA Branch of the Order of Australia Association.

The following students have been identified as the Top 10 recipients for 2026, and will receive a 'With Distinction' award:

Nathan Bishop, Blackfriars Priory School

Maggie Collins, Tenison Woods College

Eva Fiebig, Seymour College

Jenny Ngoc Anh Huynh, Woodville High School

Karsha Ireland, Port Broughton Area School

John Thomas Lucas, St Peter's College

Abinav Murugappa, University Senior College

Marzila Osmani, Thebarton Senior College

Chloe Riley, St Michael's College

Elena Wabnitz, Temple Christian College

Each student has received a 'With Distinction' certificate signed by the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, immediate past Governor of South Australia and Patron of the Order of Australia Association SA Branch, and the SA Branch Chair Mr Noel Hender OAM BEM.

At an award ceremony later this year, they will also receive a Student Citizenship Award medallion mounted on an engraved wooden plaque. In this ceremony, one will be announced as the 2026 Student Citizen of the Year.

The Student Citizenship Awards offered by the SA Branch of the Order of Australia Association are intended to recognise those senior secondary students who actively engage with and contribute to school and/or local communities rather than for specific academic or sporting achievements. The Awards exemplify the Association's objective:

To celebrate and promote outstanding Australian citizenship

We heartily congratulate these students on being selected for this well-deserved award.

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Background

The Student Citizenship Awards program is conducted annually as the flagship program of the SA Branch of the Order of Australia Association, of which the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, immediate past Governor of South Australia, was Patron from 2021 to 2026.

Senior students are nominated by their schools and selected from submissions assessed against four criteria – leadership, contributions to the school and/or community and contributions to the environment and/or community development, as well as pride in Australian citizenship.

Student Citizenship Awards Convenor, Dr Neville Highett AM, particularly acknowledges the late Mr Keith 'Chook' Fowler OAM, whose generous donations in 2023 enabled us to include a special medallion for all Award recipients for two years. From 2025 for three years, these medallions are being provided through the generous support of the Government of South Australia.

A total of 43 submissions were received for consideration, from 31 schools and colleges.

Those nominees selected to be in the Top 10 ('With Distinction') will receive their medallion mounted on an engraved wooden plaque. In addition to the 'Top Ten', a further 33 students have received a certificate and medallion – 15 of which were rated as 'Highly Commended'.

The South Australia Branch of the Order of Australia Association congratulates all recipients of the 2026 Student Citizenship Awards.

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ROLL OF HONOUR

The most recent South Australian Student Citizens of the Year are as follows:

2025 Callum McIntyre, Mount Gambier High School

2024 Amy Wallace, Scotch College

2023 Thomas Oxford, Parafield Gardens High School

2022 Callum Barrott-Walsh, Cardijn College, and Jordan Norman, Urrbrae Agricultural High School

2021 Georgia Kehagias, Immanuel College

2020 Charlotte Mauviel, Temple Christian College (Mile End Campus)

2019 William Gillett, Loxton High School

2018 Austin Lovell, Christian Brothers College