



**NOT ALL LEARNING HAPPENS
IN THE CLASSROOM.**

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

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

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



Active now in
130+ COUNTRIES
and territories



Trusted
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
program since 1956



A UNIQUE
international accreditation



Working with
LIKE-MINDED
schools and organizations



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



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.



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