

Monday 9 April 2018

Dear State Sporting Association's,

## PIERRE DE COUBERTIN AWARD AND OLYMPIC ACADEMY

Melbourne Cricket Ground

Friday 22 June 2018

Once again this year, we invite State Sporting Associations (SSA) to nominate:

1. **one athlete to receive the Pierre de Coubertin Award** and to take part in the annual Olympic Academy, and
2. **an additional two sport leaders**, from years 10, 11 or 12 to attend the full day program as your sport representatives.

**Nominations must be submitted by Friday 1 June 2018.**

The program is free of charge and students will be provided with refreshments throughout the day.

Registrations will commence at 10:00am on the day, followed by:

- 10.30am – 4.00pm Olympic Academy (Limited places available; lunch will be provided for students)
- 5.00pm – 7.00pm Pierre de Coubertin Awards Ceremony

The Olympic Academy is a unique opportunity for athletes and sport leaders to:

- Interact with Olympians,
- Tour the National Sports Museum,
- Meet and engage with like-minded students, and
- Learn about the Olympic Movement and A.S.P.I.R.E. Australian Olympic Team values.

The Pierre de Coubertin Award recognises students who demonstrate values, which are consistent with the Olympic Movement through participation in sporting activities. It acknowledges Year 10, 11 and 12 students who, although may not be an elite athlete, demonstrate the values of the Olympic Movement in sport and their everyday lives.

### PIERRE DE COUBERTIN AWARD SELECTION CRITERIA AND GUIDELINES (ONE ATHLETE)

The SSA must be on the current Olympic program and a member of the Victorian Olympic Council. At some stage throughout their sporting career, the selected athlete must:

- Be a registered member of the SSA
- Be enrolled in years 10, 11 or 12 and not have received the Award on a previous occasion.
- Have participated actively in the SSAs competition program with a consistently positive attitude
- Be actively involved in school or community sport, including but not limited to competing, volunteering, coaching, officiating, administration or club development
- Demonstrate the attributes consistent with the fundamental aims of the Olympic movement, and
- Submit a digital media, literacy or artistic piece that depicts an appreciation of Olympism in response to this year's theme: **"Which Olympic athlete has been a role model to you and why?"**

A digital media, literary or artistic piece related to the theme must accompany the nomination form otherwise it will be deemed invalid. All pieces submitted remain the property of the VOC and where appropriate may be used in official publications. Please note:

- Literary pieces must be a MAXIMUM of 300 words (typed) in length.
- Artistic pieces must be within the confines of 64x45cm or equivalent in 3D. An artistic piece could refer to, but is not limited to, a painting, collage or framed piece.
- Digital Media pieces refer to audio, video, and photo content that has been encoded (digitally compressed) i.e. converting audio and video input into a digital media file such as a Windows Media file. A digital media piece could refer to, but is not limited to, a musical recording, videography or PowerPoint presentation which is a MAXIMUM of 3min.

### 3-EASY STEPS TO SELECT YOUR SPORT REPRESENTATIVES ...

1. Call for nominations from your members by **Friday 11 May** circulating this letter and the attachments.
2. SSAs to rank the applicants, and select **ONE** award recipient plus **TWO** additional sport leaders.
3. [SSAs to submit the nominations online by Friday 1 June.](#)



# PIERRE DE COUBERTIN AWARDS CEREMONY AND OLYMPIC ACADEMY

FRIDAY 22 JUNE 2018  
MELBOURNE CRICKET GROUND

Proudly supported by Department of Education and Training (DET) and presented by the Victorian Olympic Council (VOC).

In conjunction with Olympic Day, celebrated internationally on June 23, the VOC and DET invite all State Sporting Associations (SSA) to nominate an athlete to receive this prestigious award.

- A unique opportunity for sport leaders to interact with Olympians.
- An opportunity to tour the NSM.
- An international award celebrated nationally.
- Every nominated student and their SSA receive a certificate.

## WHAT ARE THE PIERRE DE COUBERTIN AWARDS?

Named after the founder of the modern Olympic Games, the awards are an initiative of the AOC and take place on an annual basis to recognise senior secondary students who demonstrate the A.S.P.I.R.E. Olympic values and attributes.

## AWARDS CEREMONY AND OLYMPIC ACADEMY

Prior to the ceremony on June 22, each award recipient plus an additional 2 school representatives are invited to participate in an Academy. The event is free and students will be provided with refreshments throughout the day.

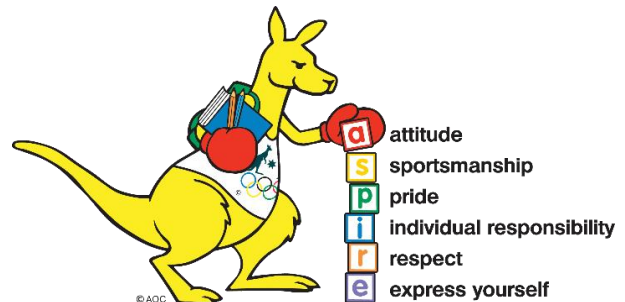
To be part of the program...

1. Members must nominate an athlete to their SSA by Friday 11 May – details below.
2. SSAs to rank the applicants and select ONE award recipient plus TWO additional sport representatives.
3. [SSAs to submit the nomination online](#) and the three selected participants will receive a registration email.

## THIS YEAR'S THEME IS:

"Which Olympic athlete has been a role model to you and why?"

For more information, contact the VOC on 03 9427 0700 or [click here to nominate a student to represent your SSA.](#)



## AWARD AND ACADEMY ATHLETE NOMINATION

SSA/Member Contact Name:

Athlete's Name:

Athlete's Email Address:

Athlete's School Name:

### RED DUST – HEALTHY LIVING PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY

Red Dust is a health promotion organisation that delivers innovative programs in partnership with remote communities. The Healthy Living Program encourages Indigenous youth to learn more about health and inspire them to live a healthy lifestyle. Once again this year, the VOC have teamed up with Red Dust to provide an opportunity for one athlete to attend a Red Dust camp in 2018. The successful candidate will be chosen from the list of Pierre de Coubertin SSA recipients.

- Please tick the box if your athlete is interested in applying for the Red Dust Healthy Living Program and we will provide further details in late May.
- I confirm that the above athlete meets the selection criteria and guidelines noted in the correspondence to SSAs. Clubs/Members are to complete and return the nomination above to their SSA before Friday 11 May.