



Duke of Edinburgh's Award Programme

Fieldstone helps students to achieve this prestigious international award.

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award has existed for over fifty years and is recognized the world over. It is entirely non-competitive, meaning that participants work at their own pace. The aim of the award is to develop the whole person – mind, body and soul. The award focuses on four main areas of development: fitness, skill, service, and outdoor exploration.

There are three levels to the award: Bronze, Silver and Gold. Each level requires an increasing level of commitment and effort. At Fieldstone, our participants are usually working on their Bronze level.

Fieldstone helps students achieve the award in three key ways:

- 1) Enrollment. Any interested students may apply to take part. The enrollment fee is covered by the school, providing students with unlimited access to this outstanding award opportunity.
- 2) Opportunities. Our teachers help students to earn hours in community service, skill-building, and fitness. Teachers help students to track their achievements and ensure that they gain credit for their myriad extracurricular pursuits.
- 3) Camp Trip. Students working on the award participate in a camping expedition- an extra component of the October school trip to Ontario Pioneer Camp- in order to achieve their award.

Why participate in this award programme?

The "Duke of Ed" Award can be a strong asset on post-secondary applications, scholarships, CVs and resumes. Whether applying for post-secondary or about to enter the work force, the award shows commitment and achievement, as well as dedication to a variety of activities.

The award is a process of personal and social development; the activities which make up the award are a means to this end. Young people learn from the new experiences they have and discover hidden capabilities and talents.