

# YOUNG ENDEAVOUR YOUTH SCHEME

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Dear Careers Advisor,

The Young Endeavour Youth Scheme is pleased to announce that applications for youth development voyages in STS *Young Endeavour* from January – June 2023 are now open!

Since 1988, more than 14,000 young Australians aged 16-23 have joined national sail training ship *Young Endeavour* on a life-changing voyage.

Each voyage in Young Endeavour is a unique and challenging experience. The immersive nature of the program encourages participants to rapidly develop interpersonal, leadership and teamwork skills which are readily transferable to their life as they move into adulthood. Now more than ever, it is important that youth have access to experiences that help them gain resilience and confidence, giving them the tools they need to overcome challenges in their everyday lives.

24 youth from across Australia make up the youth crew, they come from all parts of Australia and all walks of life. Together these new crew mates learn how to sail a tall ship. Importantly, the youth crew don't have access to their phones or social media, allowing them to focus on their rapid introduction to life at sea. They learn how to keep watch on deck, to handle lines, take the helm, navigate using the ship's electronic charts, assist the chef in the galley and climb the 30-metre mast to set and furl sails. No sailing experience is required, only a willingness to give everything a try.

The program is delivered by the professional Royal Australian Navy staff crew who ensure that the highest standards of safety are maintained. During the voyage the staff crew encourage youth to pursue personal and team goals and challenges. By the end of each voyage, the youth crew have developed the skills, knowledge and confidence to elect a leadership team to take command of the ship over a 24-hour period.

Voyage fees and conditions will apply to successful applicants. A limited number of financially assisted berths are available for eligible youth.

We hope you can make this information available to your students, and their parents or guardians, and to support them to apply for this life-changing opportunity. Your school can also become a scholarship partner, funding voyages for youth within your community. Find out more on our website: <https://youngendeavour.gov.au/for-organisations/scholarship>

Don't hesitate to contact our team if you have questions. You can order digital marketing materials, posters or brochures, or arrange a presentation to your school community. Call 1800 020 444 or email [mail@youngendeavour.gov.au](mailto:mail@youngendeavour.gov.au)

Applications can be made online now [www.youngendeavour.gov.au/apply-now](http://www.youngendeavour.gov.au/apply-now)

Yours sincerely

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