

MEDIA RELEASE

Congratulations to Delroy Secondary School Cadet graduates

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Ten students from Dubbo College Delroy Campus will graduate from the NSW Rural Fire Service (RFS) Secondary School Cadet Program this week, after successfully completing the nine week course that introduces young people to the important role volunteer firefighters play within communities.

RFS Acting Area Commander, Superintendent Nicholas Medianik, said the students will graduate at a special ceremony to be held later this morning at the Orana Fire Control Centre in Dubbo.

"As well as examining fire behaviour, the students were taught essential fire safety techniques and gained an appreciation of the work our emergency services do every day in this state," Superintendent Medianik said.

"Students at Dubbo College Delroy Campus had the opportunity to experience firsthand the commitment and camaraderie that comes with volunteering.

"The cadet program also offers students the confidence, teamwork and leadership skills they can use in their own life and future careers.

RFS Orana District Manager Inspector David Millsteed said it is great to see genuine enthusiasm for this important community based program and hope it continues as part of the curriculum for years to come.

"In addition to our RFS members, I would also like to extend a special thanks to the school's staff and community for helping to make this program such a success, now running in its fifth year at the school," he said.

Inspector Millsteed also paid tribute to the staff and volunteers from the RFS Orana Team who facilitated the course.

"RFS members thoroughly enjoy working closely with schools and communities to ensure that everyone is as well prepared as possible for the very real threat of fire. Firefighters cannot do it alone," Inspector Millsteed said.

"The Service is proud to pass on the ideals of community service, dedication and teamwork to the next generation and also hopefully gain some more RFS volunteers within our brigades."



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