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# **MEDIA RELEASE**

## **Trinity Anglican College cadet firefighters celebrate graduation**

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Ten students from the Trinity Anglican College at Thurgoona have been congratulated by Member for Albury Greg Aplin MP and NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) Executive Director Bronwyn Jones PSM for their successful completion of the NSW RFS Secondary School Cadet Program.

Mr Aplin said the program introduces young people to the important role that volunteer firefighters play within communities.

"These cadets have completed a 10 week course that has provided them with skills and knowledge which will last a lifetime," Mr Aplin said.

"As well as studying fire behaviour, the students have been taught essential fire safety techniques and gained an appreciation of the work our emergency services undertake every day across the state.

"I congratulate the Trinity Anglican College cadets on their achievement and encourage them to put their newfound knowledge and skills to good use by joining the NSW RFS as a volunteer."

Ms Jones said the cadet program also offers students the opportunity to experience firsthand the commitment and camaraderie that comes with volunteering.

"It's great to see genuine enthusiasm for this important community based program and I would like to thank Trinity Anglican College Principal Justin Beckett for offering the course to students for the first time, and hope it will be part of the curriculum for many years to come," Ms Jones said.

"I would also like to thank the NSW RFS Southern Border Team staff and local Brigade members who helped facilitate the course.

"NSW RFS members thoroughly enjoy working with schools and communities to ensure everyone is as well prepared as possible for the very real threat of fire and the Service is proud to pass on the ideals of community service, dedication and teamwork to the next generation."