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Orana Team cadets celebrate graduation

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Five members of the Orana Cadets program will today be congratulated for their successful completion of the NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) Secondary School Cadet Program.

Member for Dubbo Dugald Saunders said the program is the ideal way to introduce young people to the important role volunteer firefighter's play within communities.

"Throughout the program, these students have gained skills that will last a lifetime," Mr Saunders said.

"As well as examining fire behaviour, participants have been taught essential fire safety techniques and gained an appreciation of the work our emergency services do every day in this state.

"The cadet program also offers students the opportunity to experience firsthand the commitment and camaraderie that comes with volunteering."

Superintendent Wieland has paid tribute to the volunteers and staff from the Orana Team who facilitated the course.

"NSW 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," Superintendent Wieland.

"Over the years this program has been run, we've seen a high proportion of cadet members go on to become active firefighters in their local brigades.

"The service is proud to pass on the ideals of community service, dedication and teamwork to the next generation."