

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

## Graduation celebrations for Far South Coast school cadets

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The Far South Coast Team will see 21 students graduate from the NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) Secondary School Cadet Program this week.

NSW RFS District Manager Superintendent John Cullen today commended the eight students from Lumen Christi Catholic College, the first of two schools who this week will have completed the 10-week program.

"The course covers everything from fire behaviour to essential fire safety techniques," Superintendent Cullen said.

"Students also gain an appreciation of the work our emergency services do every day in NSW.

Superintendent Cullen said this is the ninth year that Lumen Christi Catholic College has offered the NSW RFS Secondary School Cadet Program to its students.

"It's great to see genuine enthusiasm for this important community based program," Superintendent Cullen said.

Superintendent Cullen also congratulated the 13 students from Eden Marine High School who will celebrate their graduation tomorrow.

"Eden Marine High School has offered the program to its students for the fourth time and I hope the program will remain part of both schools' curriculum for years to come," Superintendent Cullen said.

"In addition to our NSW RFS members, I would also like to extend a special thanks to the Principal, teachers and staff from both schools for helping to make this program such a success."

Superintendent Cullen also paid tribute to the volunteers and staff from the Far South Coast 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. Fire fighters cannot do it alone," Superintendent Cullen said.

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



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