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Morrisset High School cadet firefighters celebrate graduation

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Fifteen students from Morrisset High School have been congratulated by NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) Central Coast District Manager Superintendent Paul Jones for their successful completion of the NSW RFS Secondary School Cadet Program.

Mr Jones said the program is the ideal way to introduce young people to the important role volunteer firefighters play within communities.

"The cadets have completed a nine week course that has provided them with skills and knowledge which will last a lifetime," Mr Jones said.

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

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

Mr Jones said this is the first time Morrisset High School 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 and I hope it will continue to be part of the curriculum for many years to come," Mr Jones said.

"I would like to especially thank our NSW RFS members as well as Senior Deputy Captain Heather Jones and Inspector Shane Geerin for delivering the cadets program, along with Principal Cheri McDonald and staff from Morrisset High School who helped to make this program such a success."

"NSW RFS members thoroughly enjoy working with Central Coast schools and the community to ensure everyone is as well prepared as possible for the very real threat of fire.

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

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