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### **WHO WE ARE**

Dear reader,

Hello and welcome to the information package for the Australian Youth Aerospace Forum for 2020!

My name is Truc Le, and I am the 2020 event Chair. The committee of 2020 and I are super excited to meet all of you, and have been creating an amazing AYAF 2020!

Within this document, you will find the basic information about the event! This includes details about the week, application dates and fees for the forum.

Overall, the forum is geared up to be an impactful week with a variety of activities ranging from aviation to aerospace engineering.

We look forward to seeing you!

Kind regards,

Truc Le

The Australian Youth Aerospace Forum (AYAF) is an annual five-day interactive conference designed to showcase the aerospace industry to Year 10, 11 and 12 students from across Australia.

Our aim is to provide a platform for students to connect with like-minded peers, and gain a clearer understanding of the pathways available to them after high school, and most importantly have a C-17 sized amount of fun!

AYAF is an event run by The Australian Youth Aerospace Association (AYAA), a student run not-for-profit. AYAF is funded through a combination of corporate sponsorship, government grants and direct contribution by attendees.

One of the many advantages of AYAF is that it is run by an independent organisation and therefore provides a diverse perspective of all the opportunities available.

We look forward to showing you what the aerospace industry has to offer!

## DELEGATE ACTIVITIES



7TH - 11TH DECEMBER 2020

The AYAF is a jam-packed week! Over the past years, delegates have participated a range of exciting activities, such as;

- Presentations from leading academic institutions within aerospace and engineering (including UQ and Griffith).
- Introduction to academic and training facilities such as UQ engineering, Griffith aviation and Aviation Australia.
- Activities at universities, including designing and building rockets.
- Presentations from companies such as Raytheon, GE Aviation, Insitu Pacific, Boeing, DST Group and the Australian Defence Force.
- Tours of industry facilities, such as the Qantas maintenance hangar, Airbus Group Australia Pacific, Sikorsky Helitech Aviation Australia and the QUT Research Engineering Facility (REF).

The full timetable will be sent in the student booklet, closer to the event. Overall, the 2020 forum will have themed days including engineering days and aviation days.

The exact timetable varies annually depending on availability of sponsors for presentation and on- site tours.

Please note that the activity points simply provide an idea of what opportunities AYAF has provided in the past

The AYAF is held at the beginning of the Summer holidays, from the 7th to the 11th of December.

The forum begins with student check-in on the Monday at 8am, and closes at approximately 6pm after the closing ceremony on the Friday.

Delegates who are travelling domestically, i.e. from another state or are required to fly in, will be required to arrive a day early (Sunday) and leave a day later (Saturday); unless parents are able to pick up their delegate the evening of the closing ceremony.

Please see the 'Students Outside of Brisbane' section of this document for more details.

### ACCOMMODATION, MEALS & TRANSPORT

### UQ KINGS COLLEGE

All of AYAF's 2020 accommodation will be at UQ's King's College, located at the University of Queensland St Lucia Campus in Brisbane.

Each delegate will stay in a single bedroom with a shared bathroom facility and male and female quarters are separate. Forum Leaders will also be staying in individual male and female quarters, alongside the students for supervision.

The College has 24/7 security and night porters.

A number of our events are hosted in the evening after which students have time to connect with their peers and in a casual setting, a chance to form lasting friendships. We also run a very tight schedule, and must adhere to strict time limits set by our tour hosts and presenters. For this reason, students living locally cannot leave and return to the forum each day.

Breakfast and dinner will be provided by the College, in addition, a packed lunch will also be prepared and provided to students each day.

Let us know if there are any specific dietary requirements, these can be arranged on request.

Students will travel together to events outside of the University of Queensland with AYAF staff on a chartered coach.

Delegates will also be walking to and from locations with leaders supervising the delegates the entire time.

If required, students may be picked up from the airport with two leaders present in the private vehicle. Discussions will be held with the parents if this is required.



A Residential College for Women and Men



#### **APPLICANT SELECTION**

We are looking for enthusiastic year 10, 11 and 12 high school students!

We don't require students to have extensive involvement in aerospace, only to show a keen interest in learning more and participating in all of our exciting activities.

This forum is for anyone interested in studying at university, becoming a commercial or defence force pilot, working as an aircraft or helicopter technician or as a member of airport ground staff or airline flight crew.

Note: There currently are only sixty (60) places available for students. Extra consideration will be given to students living in rural or remote areas and/or those who have lesser opportunities to access similar events.

### APPLICATIONS & FEES

Applications will open on the 7th of July 2020.

There are 60 delegate places available. Due to the small number of places available, successful applicants will have **one week** to respond to their offer to AYAF otherwise their place may be given to another student.

Remember to let your passion shine through and try and stand out in your application!

#### **FEES**

Fees for the 2020 event are \$300,

An additional costs of \$85 per night applies when additional nights are required.

Flights are not included, but transport to and from the airport are included in the Forum fees.

#### WITHDRAWALS & REFUNDS

Successful applicants who have paid and are later unable to attend the forum must notify the delegate coordinator team no later than one month before the forum to receive a full refund. Students who don't notify the team in time will not be eligible for a refund.

# SCHOLARSHIPS & TRAVEL EQUITY BURSARIES

Thanks to our sponsors, the AYAF is able to provide a number of scholarships and travel equity bursaries to our students.



#### TRAVEL BURSARIES

upon completion of the forum.

be released early July 2020!

Travel equity bursaries are available for students living in regional or remote areas who are required to travel long distances to attend AYAF.

For more information, please read the

scholarship details document which will

The level of financial support provided is determined on a case by case basis, with the aim of assisting as many students as possible who might not otherwise be able to attend.

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

Students can nominate to apply for a scholarship or travel equity bursary on their initial AYAF application. If the student's AYAF application is successful, they will be sent additional scholarship application forms with submission details.

Successful applicants will be notified of the outcome of their scholarship application shortly after.

More information about the process can be found on the Scholarship details document available on the website soon.

### INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS LOCATED OUTSIDE OF BRISBANE

Not local? We encourage you to apply! This is a one-in-a-lifetime opportunity to meet likeminded individuals. Here is some extra information if you are travelling to us



AYAF will organise pick-ups and drop-offs for all students arriving in Brisbane via an airport, bus station or train station. Transport requirements can be indicated in the application form, and will be organised with successful applicants shortly after. This service is free.

**ACCOMODATION** 

Students travelling long distances who are unable to arrive by 8am on the Monday will be required to arrive on Sunday and stay at the same University of Queensland accommodation as the forum - UQ Kings Collage.

Please notify us if this applies to you!

Any students wishing to fly out of Brisbane on Friday night must book their tickets after 9pm. If students are unable to fly out after this time, they will be required to stay Friday night and fly out Saturday morning.

AYAF staff will be available to collect and return students to the airport/bus/train station. The accommodation will be fully supervised by both AYAF staff and UQ College security.

The cost of the Sunday and Friday night accommodation is \$85 per night. This fee includes all meals, accommodation and security.



There is a 24-hour security guard at the UQ College where the students are staying and a night porter who can assist students after lights out if needed.

Security also ensures students are not out of their rooms after lights out.

During industry visits, security is provided by each individual industry group at their location and students are required to obey instructions of our guides.

During certain site visits, restrictions including the use or possession of mobile telephones and other electronic devices may be required and is strictly enforced.

Students will be notified at the start of each day regarding the security requirements of each industry tour

### STAFF, SAFETY & SECURITY

Delegate safety is very important to us! Students are supervised during all AYAF events, with a staff member assigned to each group of four (4) students. Groups will be paired together for activities, with the groups rotating so that students interact with all attendees. General staff supervision is also provided during resting/mingling times.

The AYAF staff team also has a dedicated first aid officer that carries the first aid kits. Additional emergency coverage is provided at university campuses by their security services which include 24 hour paramedics on staff.

#### **AYAF STAFF**

AYAF staff are a mixture of current university students studying aerospace and related fields and young industry professionals employed in the aerospace industry.

All staff and committee members undergo a staff training course and hold blue cards.

All staff and committee profiles are going to be posted on our social media leading up to the event; so students will be able to familiarise themselves with the committee prior to attending the forum.

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### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

If you require further information about the event that is not covered in this document, you can contact the Delegate Coordinators directly through the following email:

delegates.ayaf@ayaa.com.au

Delegate Coordinator's will answer all questions students, guardians and educators/instructors might have regarding the event.