



## Contestant Entry Form

### Aim of the Program

The Youth of the Year Program is designed to encourage, foster and develop leadership in conjunction with other citizenship qualities in our youth, at the age when they are about to enter the fields of employment or higher education.

The Youth of the Year Program provides students with the incentive to pay greater attention to the general qualities, so vital in developing our youth into first-class citizens. The qualities sought after, apart from academic attainments are those of leadership, personality, sportsmanship, public speaking and good citizenship.

The Youth of the Year Program will be open to;

Youths who are attending or have attended a high school or other secondary school or equivalent standard of school in any other educational establishment, including correspondence school, in the Lions year in which the National Final is to be conducted.

Entry is open to all Australian youth: "Australian youth" means a young person who satisfies the requirements set out in the next following sub-clause and who, at the beginning of the Program year (July 1), is

- (i) A citizen of Australia, PNG or Norfolk Island or
- (ii) a person having the right to reside in Australia for a period of not less than two years and six months from that date - and who will continue to reside in Australia for not less than that period. (This is to ensure that the winner is available for all travel related prizes awarded at the National Final) and is
- (iii) Over the age of 15 and under the age of 19 years as at 30th June of the year of the national final of the Program

Students at Colleges of Technical & Further Education and equivalent institutions are eligible to participate in the Program if undertaking secondary studies.

Entrants cannot compete at more than one Club level judging in any Program year.

A student who has been a State Winner in the Program is not eligible to re-enter the Program.

To find out more and meet other participants visit; *Youth of the Year Australia* on Facebook.

[www.lionsclubs.org.au/yoty](http://www.lionsclubs.org.au/yoty)



# Judging procedures

Please use a black pen on this form.

## Judging levels and completion dates

Club: (completion dates to be set by State Chairman) .....	<input type="text" value="/ /"/>
Zone: (completion dates to be set by State Chairman) .....	<input type="text" value="/ /"/>
Regional: (completion dates to be set by State Chairman).....	<input type="text" value="/ /"/>
District: (completion dates to be set by State Chairman) .....	<input type="text" value="/ /"/>
State: (completion date to be set by MD Committee) .....	<input type="text" value="/ /"/>
National Final: (to be held at MD201 Convention) .....	<input type="text" value="/ /"/>

Judging at all levels of the Youth of the Year Program is to be in accordance with the following categories and points.

### Categories

#### Leadership, sport, community and cultural

a) Leadership .....	15
b) Sporting and/or cultural activities .....	10
c) Citizenship and community involvement .....	10
Personality (impact in interview).....	15
General Knowledge .....	20
Academic .....	10
<b>Subtotal</b> .....	<b>80</b>

#### Public speaking

a) Impromptu (usually, though not limited to current affairs) questions .....	10
b) Prepared speech five minutes on subject of own choice .....	15
c) Presentation .....	5
<b>Subtotal</b> .....	<b>30</b>

**TOTAL** .....

**110**

## Composition of Judging Panel

The judging panel appointed at each level will consist of prominent citizens of the community who are not members of a Lions, Lioness, or Leo Club, teachers from contestant's school, or any person associated with the contestant in any way.

## Prizes

Prizes will be awarded to contestants at all levels throughout the Youth of the Year Program. Lions Clubs International of Australia and Papua New Guinea will award all National finalists, including the National winner to a Lions International Youth Camp in New Zealand followed by a group tour to the National Winners home state, a total of 16 days' duration during the summer holidays. Each state winner will also receive \$500. The school of each state's winner will receive \$1000.

The National, overall winner receives \$5,000 on the occasion of his/her eighteenth birthday.

The National Public Speaking winner receives \$2,500 on the occasion of his/her eighteenth birthday.

In the event that the National Public Speaking Winner is also the National Winner, then just the one prize will be awarded.

# Contestant entry form

Please use **a black pen** on this form.  
(Each participant in the Program, along with his/her parent/s or guardian/s must complete this form)

Surname	Given name	Gender M / F
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Address <input type="text"/>		
State <input type="text"/>	Post Code <input type="text"/>	
Telephone ( <input type="text"/> ) <input type="text"/>	Date of birth <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/>	Age as at 30 June <input type="text"/>
Contestant's Email address ( <i>not a school address</i> ) <input type="text"/>		
School <input type="text"/>		

This contestant entry form may be filled out online at [www.lionsclubs.org.au/yoty](http://www.lionsclubs.org.au/yoty), but, on completion, MUST be printed and signed by the appropriate people as directed on the form. It may then be submitted to your local Lions Club.

Entry forms may be updated and resubmitted at any stage up to and including the State Final. Resubmitted forms must be received by the YOTY chairperson of that particular final/stage, at least one week before that final. It must also be endorsed by the School's Principal and a Lions Club representative.

### Terms and Conditions

- I agree to abide by the rules of the Youth of the Year Program.
- I am within the age group specified in the rules.
- I will not compete at more than one Youth of the Year Program event in the same Lions year.
- In the event of any travel incurred by my participation in any level of the Youth of the Year Program, I accept authority and direction of the Program organizers and/or appointees.
- I will be available to participate, should I progress, through all stages of the Youth of the Year Program up to and including the National Final.
- In consideration of my acceptance as a Participant in the Youth of the Year Program conducted by Multiple District 201 of Lions Clubs International Inc., I acknowledge and accept that the Program may attract media exposure and that my name, the name and particulars of any School of which I am a student and/or my photograph may be published by the media, the Australian Lions Magazine known as "The Lion" and/or on any Lions Website.  
I AGREE      DISAGREE      to any such publication.
- I also acknowledge and accept the wish of Multiple District 201 of Lions Clubs International Inc to maintain on permanent record my name, address and contact particulars, in order that it may forward to me at future times information/particulars/brochures relating to the conduct of the Program and/or other projects/activities/events being conducted by Lions Australia.  
I AGREE      DISAGREE      to the maintenance of my name, address and contact particulars for such purpose.

### Please note: In the Public Speaking section of the Program the following rule applies:

A microphone is the only aid permitted (lapel or roving microphones are acceptable, but only if they are available at the venue used).

No other aids are permitted including (but not limited to) electronic devices, electronic presentations, charts, props, music, musical instruments, photos, stop watch etc.

### Signature of entrant

*In signing this agreement, I consent to the terms and conditions of entry, as well as my consent to above conditions of 6 and 7.*

Date

I hereby give .....  
Name of entrant

Permission to enter the Youth of the Year Program subject to the terms and conditions of the Program.

### Signature of parent/s or guardian/s

*In signing this agreement, I/we consent to the terms and conditions of entry.*

Date

Name of parent/s guardian/s. \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number

Email address

# Contestant Information

ALL INFORMATION IS TO BE INCLUDED ON THIS FORM. NO ATTACHMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED

Name	Date
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## i) Leadership

List all position held (last 2 years only)

(Please include both school and community based positions)

Leadership positions held (list position and year)

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Sporting Team leadership (list each sport and year)

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Cultural leadership positions (list each position and year)

(e.g., music, debating, performances etc.)

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Other leadership positions (list each position and year)

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## ii) Sporting and/or Cultural Activities

List all activities (last 2 years only)

(Please include both school and community based activities)

Participation (sporting):

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Participation (cultural):

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Achievements:

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Awards won:

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State or higher level representations:

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## iii) Citizenship and Community Involvement

List all activities (last 2 years only)

(Please include both school and community based involvement)

Participation (Clubs, Organizations, Clubs, Activities etc.):

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#### **iv) Academic**

List achievements in general studies during the last 2 years only

Subjects and Levels passed:

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Subjects and Levels currently being studied:

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Scholarships held:

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Academic Awards received:

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#### **v) Hobbies**

(List hobbies in order of preference)

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#### **Declarations:**

##### **School:**

I confirm that the academic and other claims made by the student are true and correct.  
(Please review pages 4, 5 and 6).

\_\_\_\_\_ (signed) Principal or Delegate \_\_\_\_\_ Date

\_\_\_\_\_ School

##### **Lions Club:**

This is to confirm that the

Lions Club of: \_\_\_\_\_ 201  
is the sponsoring club of this contestant.

\_\_\_\_\_ (signed) Club President or Delegate \_\_\_\_\_ Date