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NSW students awarded for their excellence

39 NSW secondary public school students have been awarded with a Minister's Award for Excellence in Student Achievement.

The award was presented by Michael Coutts-Trotter, the Director-General of the NSW Department of Education and Training.

Mr Coutts-Trotter said the awards recognise outstanding achievement in academic excellence, community participation and leadership and sporting and cultural achievements.

“It's a great honour to recognise the achievements of these 39 young NSW public school students,” he said.

“These terrific young people are an inspiration to their peers and are a credit to their parents, their schools, their teachers and their community.

“NSW public schools are cultivating the next generation of leaders. We are helping young people grow into compassionate and thoughtful members of our society.

“Many of this year’s recipients are student leaders and community volunteers; they take time to help others in need, while also remaining committed to their education and personal goals.

“They embody the core qualities that are taught in our NSW public schools - respect and responsibility.

“I congratulate this year’s recipients and wish them the best of luck in the Higher School Certificate examinations,” he said.

Up to 40 awards may be presented across the state every year, and the award is open to Year 12 students enrolled in NSW public schools.

Students are nominated on the basis of achievement throughout their high school years, with particular recognition of excellence in Years 11 and 12.

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