

TO: PRINCIPALS OF SCHOOLS WITH SECONDARY ENROLMENTS**RE: 2023 MURIEL MATTERS AWARDS**

We are pleased to provide you with information about the 2023 Muriel Matters Awards program.

The Muriel Matters Awards are conducted under the guidance of the Speaker of the House of Assembly and the Minister for Education. The awards recognise the trail blazing work and life of Muriel Matters, a South Australian-born suffragist, educator and social reformer.

The Muriel Matters Awards are administered by the Department for Education, in collaboration with Catholic Education South Australia (CESA) and the Association of Independent Schools of South Australia (AISSA).

The Muriel Matters Awards invite schools with secondary enrolments to nominate a student from Years 7-12 who has shown significant self-initiative in promoting democratic discussion and activity in the community. The awardee is to be a student who exhibits in their actions a degree of selflessness and personal challenge.

Awardees will receive an engraved Muriel Matters Award medallion and a copy of *Muriel Matters – That Daring Australian Girl* by Collette Snowden. The medallions have been funded by the House of Assembly, Parliament of South Australia and the books donated by the Muriel Matters Society.

Schools are to select their awardee in accordance with the eligibility and selection criteria outlined in the Muriel Matters Awards Information document that accompanies this letter. Upon receipt of the names of the awardees, the Department for Education Curriculum Programs Directorate will forward to schools engraved Muriel Matters Award medallions and copies of Collette Snowden's book to present at school presentation assemblies.

Nominations for the 2023 Muriel Matters Awards close on Friday, 22 September 2023. Schools are to submit their Muriel Matters Award student nomination details online at <http://TLinSA.2.vu/MMAwards>. If required, there is also a paper-based nomination form available at www.education.sa.gov.au/muriel-matters-awards

For further information on the awards go to www.education.sa.gov.au/muriel-matters-awards or contact murielmattersawards@sa.gov.au.


We encourage schools to participate in the Muriel Matters Awards program that has been established to recognise outstanding young people making a difference.



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