THE AWARD

The Junior Tall Poppies Award recognises outstanding secondary students in science or mathematics who can develop projects in their school communities to enhance the understanding of how important the sciences are to society.

GOAL

To recognise and support the development of “science-champions” in secondary schools through curriculum development and partnerships with scientists.

INITIATIVE

Growing Tall Poppies Science Partnership Program has implemented this state-wide awards system to develop young science leaders in secondary schools. Our aim is to develop partnerships between school and science organisations to promote the uptake of science subjects beyond year 10.

VISION

To encourage students especially girls, to study science and particularly physics and mathematics to Year 12. This will enable students to pursue opportunities and a wide range of careers in and beyond science, technology, engineering and mathematics.
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The *Junior Tall Poppies* Awards recognises ‘student voice’ within schools as an important component to communicate the opportunities that are enabled by the sciences and mathematics.

**APPLICATION CRITERIA**

Student nominations are between 15 and 17 years old.

Students can demonstrate passion for sciences/mathematics and a capacity to communicate.

Student needs to be endorsed by a teacher or principal.

**OUTCOMES AND BENEFITS FOR STUDENTS**

Winning a *Junior Tall Poppies Science & Mathematics Award* carries benefits in addition to the certificate/trophy:

1. Involvement with cutting edge science
2. Mentorship of a scientist or mathematician in the associated winner’s school
3. Prestige and peer recognition
4. Opportunity to join and enjoy the *Growing Tall Poppies Program* alumni network of workshops and public events to remain connected with their study of science

**OUTCOMES AND BENEFITS FOR SCHOOLS**

1. Collaborate with teachers and leaders to promote science and mathematics in their school
2. Promote ‘student voice’ to communicate science and mathematics to the wider student population
3. Facilitating school-community scientific engagement with relevant social issues
4. Encourage sciences as a career, a study path or to increase science/maths literacy for good citizenship
5. Opportunity for innovation

**AWARD WINNERS WILL RECEIVE**

1. Award Ceremony – to accept the award
2. A three day science immersion program to work with world leading scientists
3. Leadership Development Workshop – to develop their GTP Personal Project and its implementation
4. Subscription to *Growing Tall Poppies* in Science Conference
5. Access to a network of scientist and science and maths programs to support your school.
6. Check website for extra prizes specific for this year.

**HOW TO NOMINATE**

Go to www.growingtallpoppies.com for further information and nomination forms and procedures.

**KEY DATES**

Check the website for dates regarding:

1. Close of nomination
2. Announcement of winners
3. Leadership Workshop

For any queries regarding your nomination please contact: inquiries@growingtallpoppies.com