



Connecting Lives, Sharing Cultures

### **AFS Tasmania Ambassador Prizes: Factsheet for Applicants**

AFS Tasmania Ambassador Prizes of up to \$3,000 are available to students living and attending school in Tasmania and who wish to:

- Participate in an AFS Year Program or AFS Semester Program;
- Select a non-English speaking host country; and
- Plan to depart Australia in July/August/September 2017 (NH17) or January/February/March 2018 (SH18).

Up to 10 scholarships will be provided to Tasmanian students who meet all three criteria and whose applications are accepted by AFS Australia. Please be aware that not all AFS host countries offer both the Year Program and the Semester Program in August/September and February/March of each year. It is the applicants' responsibility to check the availability of programs, destination countries and departure dates with the AFS Australia office.

AFS Tasmania Ambassadors represent AFS Australia and the state of Tasmania during their exchange program overseas. They also commit to volunteering with AFS Australia as a returnee for a minimum of one year after they return from their exchange. Volunteer tasks include:

- Assisting AFS to find host families at your school or in your local area;
- Delivering a presentation about your AFS experience to your high school and other high schools in your local area;
- Being a 'support buddy' to a hosted AFS student in Australia or a 'destination expert' who advises potential AFSers about the country where you spent your exchange; and/or
- Assisting at AFS events, including Open Days, chapter meetings or orientation/pre-departure activities.

#### **Application Process**

Applicants need to complete the AFS Australia Application Form, including the AFS Australia Scholarship/Prize Form, available online here:

<https://www.afsglobal.org/AFSGlobal/OnlineApplication/Portal13/Login.aspx>

When completing the Scholarship/Prize Form component of your online application, please ensure you answer all questions and provide as much background information as possible.

Please note that the application process includes several steps, including obtaining paperwork from your school as well as providing your medical history (and in some cases, a letter from your doctor is required). We recommend that you start your application as early as possible so that you are able to meet the application closing dates.

#### **Application Closing Dates**

July/August/September 2017 departures	Applications must be received by <b>20 February 2017</b>
January/February/March 2018 departures	Applications must be received by <b>1 June 2017</b>