

Cadet Applicant INFO

The Australian Air Force Cadets (AAFC) is a child development organisation administered by the Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF), developing adolescents from the age of 12 to the age of 18 in a **military and aviation environment**.

Joining Requirements – Must be at least 12 years of age and turning 13 or older in the year of acceptance, be enrolled in higher school education (minimum year 7) in the year of acceptance and not have attained the age of 16 years.

429 SQN is posted at Fort Queenscliff and is part of 4 Wing Victoria consisting of 4 Specialist Flights and 27 Squadrons.

429 SQN parades every Monday night from 1800 to 2145 during the school terms and not on school or public holidays.

Cadets on acceptance agree to a 75% attendance rate and are expect to maintain a **75% or better** attendance, there are also expected attendance for some activities during the year such as ANZAC Day, recruit training weekend and some squadron extracurricular training i.e. Bivouacs, on acceptance cadets to abide by all cadets force regulations, standing instructions and cadet behavioral policy.

Below is not all but some quick grab info about the AAFC.

Motto: Inspiring Today, Leading Tomorrow.

Statement: Take flight for the adventure of a lifetime, new adventures, new skills and new friends.

There are 8 Wings, representing each state and territory in Australia with 144 Squadrons across Australia, 10,000+ Air Force Cadets, 1,200 Adult volunteers Australia-wide.

Founded in 1941 and have 83 years of proud history.

AAFC Fact Sheet

Aviation experiences (powered & gliding)

Firearms Training (Initial Stage elective subject)

Music/Band

Duke of Edinburgh's International Award

International Air Cadet Exchange (Cadets must be 18 years of age)

Activities & Social Events

Flying Scholarships are available through application process with age and required standard to be met.

Cadet learning phases: Orientation, Initial, Junior, Intermediate and Senior.

Squadron Parade Nights: Learn Drill & Ceremonial, Service

Knowledge, Community Engagement, Air & Space (STEM) and Field Skills, all Phases have Extension options.

Progress through ranks with Personal Development and leadership pathways throughout the year at home Squadron training, together with Wing and National activity opportunities.