

Yanchep Secondary College Bush Rangers W.A. Cadet Unit

**New Cadet
Prospectus &
Application Form**

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Yanchep Secondary College

Bush Rangers WA Cadets

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“Unit Overview”



Our Bush Ranger Cadet Unit was established in 2016 and is co-ordinated by Yanchep S.C. staff. All activities and training are supported exhaustively by Dept. Biodiversity Conservation and Activities and the Department for Local Government and Communities - Office of Youth who provide resources, materials, assistance, training, advice and access to specialist facilities like the Shark Bay Peron Camp, Credo Station, Perot Fire Training, National Parks, Penguin Island and Marine facilities. Cadets are also encouraged to undertake personal challenges such as The Duke of Edinburgh Award.

It is also possible through cadets that Year 10, 11 and 12 students can achieve:

- ✓ Units towards their WACE.
- ✓ Senior First Aid Certification counts towards WACE and paid for by the unit.

An active and challenging program is offered to all cadets each year that may include;

An appreciation and understanding of our environment and it's conservation:

- ✓ Hands on instruction in reptiles and snakes, birds, insects, flora and ecosystems.
- ✓ Saving sand dunes and beaches, brushing, planting, trail maintenance.
- ✓ Caving, exploring, trekking, bush walks.

Practical survival and bushcraft skills:

- ✓ Learning about, sampling and identifying bush tucker.
- ✓ Survival in Australian environments, dealing with emergencies, using resources.
- ✓ First Aid (The Unit pays for eligible cadets to complete their First Aid qualifications).
- ✓ Orienteering, mapping and compass challenges.
- ✓ Visits to habitats to study flora and fauna including forests, coasts or deserts.

Community, leadership, personal and social skills:

- ✓ Training in active citizenship in our community and the environment.
- ✓ Challenge events including over-night trekking and camping.
- ✓ Abseiling, climbing, games and tribe competitions.
- ✓ Appreciating Indigenous Culture - living off the land, understanding beliefs and appreciating people.

Projects that contribute to the environmental and social quality of our land and marine areas:

- ✓ Eradication of exotic weeds in bushland and agricultural areas e.g. lupins and lavender.
- ✓ Participation in community, school and DBCA projects including dune restoration, and salinity tree planting.
- ✓ Possible future camp to Shark Bay to study snakes, dugongs and human interaction with habitats including tourism activity.

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“F.A.Q.s”



Are there joining costs?

No. Most funding provided by Cadets W.A.

Where Do I get the Uniform from?

New cadets will be issued a uniform consisting of a green polo shirt, green cap and orange beanie, at no cost, once they start attending cadet meetings. Cadets must take care of their uniform and wear it to all meetings and activities.

Are there any other costs?

Yes. Cadets do need to provide their own food for camps and there may be costs involved with some activities and camps. These are kept to a minimum and usually apply to optional activities. Advance notice is always given of any costs cadets are expected to cover and is included in the school's cost schedule statement to parents.

Who funds Cadets?

The WA Government, through Cadets WA, provides a grant to each Cadet Unit each year. Yanchep SC Cadet Unit has a large asset and resource base including tents, sleeping mats, back packs, gazebo shelters, cameras, specialist UHF equipment, first aid kits etc.

Does the Cadet Unit supply everything for camps?

No. In addition to personal equipment and bedding, Cadets are required to supply and prepare all their own meals on camps and provide their own utensils. The unit will provide tents, sleeping mats, fridges/eskies, cooking implements such as microwave oven, kettles, eskies, etc.

When does the Unit meet?

Weekly meetings are held on Thursdays in the Library starting at 3.00pm and concluding at 5.00pm. Parents need to make arrangements with their child to get home after each meeting.

Who can join?

Any student currently enrolled in Years 7 is eligible to apply. Students in other year groups may apply if there is available space and they are in “Good Standing” with the school.

Is weekly attendance compulsory?

Yes, Cadets are expected to make a commitment to the unit and part of the commitment is to attend all activities and this includes weekly meetings, excursions, presentation nights and camps. It is accepted that there are times when a cadet has valid reason for not attending and these reasons should be communicated to the Chief Instructor before the activity. Occasionally, at exam times, Cadets may take leave to study.

What do we do each week?

The weekly activities are many and varied and include – drill, games, BBQs, research, community service, camp preparation, team work, guest speakers. Cadets may also be required to complete log books which record their learning experiences and their achievements. In addition there is at least one major unit activity each term such as a camp, excursion or incursion.



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“Parent Checklist”

Tick off the following before submitting your application:

- ☐ I have read ALL the information in this package outlining our activities?
- ☐ I am aware that new cadets will be issued with their uniform once they start attending meetings.
- ☐ I understand and have discussed the expectations and requirements of the unit with my child:
 - ☐ uniform to be worn every week and to ALL activities/camps,
 - ☐ regular attendance is essential,
 - ☐ appropriate behaviour is expected at all times,
 - ☐ commitment to the values of the Unit.
- ☐ I understand - cadets begins Week 4 Term 1.
- ☐ I understand that on camps, cadets provide their own food and drink and prepare ALL their own meals?
- ☐ I understand some optional activities may incur a small charge?
- ☐ I understand that potential new cadets may be contacted for a brief interview?
- ☐ I have discussed with my child how camps and excursions include school time and that it is their responsibility to stay up to date with work.
- ☐ I understand entry maybe on a first come basis as cadets if there is a large volume of applications.



Successful applications will be sent a Consent2Go Invitation with details of the year's activities and the permission form for cadet to attend each Thursday afternoon.

Do you have any questions?

- Contact the Chief Instructor on 9562 8000 during School hours.
- Email – bushrangers.yanchep.sc@education.wa.edu.au

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“Cadet Checklist”

Tick off the following before submitting your application:

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- ☐ I am aware I will be issued with a
- ☐ I understand the expectations and requirements of the Unit:
 - ☐ uniform to be worn every week and to ALL activities/camps,
 - ☐ regular attendance is essential,
 - ☐ appropriate behaviour is expected at all times,
 - ☐ commitment to the values of the Unit.
- ☐ I have noted - cadets begins Week 4 Term 1.
- ☐ I understand that on camps I, as a cadet, provide my own food and drink and prepare ALL my own meals?
- ☐ My parent/s understand that some optional activities may incur a small charge?
- ☐ I understand that potential new cadets may be contacted for a brief interview?
- ☐ I understand that camps and excursions include school time and that it is my responsibility to stay up to date with work.
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Application

(This form is to be completed by **all** students wishing to **join** the Yanchep SC Cadet Unit)

Personal Details		Address and Contact Information	
Surname:		Number:	
Christian Name:		Street:	
Preferred Name:		Suburb:	
Sex:	Female/Male	Postcode:	
Date of Birth:	/ /	Telephone:	
Previous School:		Mobile number:	
YSC shirt size:			
Parent Email Address:			
Data required by Cadets WA			
In which country were you born?			
Are you of Indigenous origin?		Yes/No	
Please list any medical/physical/learning conditions that instructors need to be aware of.		Yes/No	
Other than English, what language(s) do you speak?			
Permission to use photographs of the above applicant for promotional purposes.		Yes/No	

Agreement and Signing Section

As a potential Cadet for we have **read and understood** the information on cadets including;

- attendance and uniform requirements. Food requirements for camps and excursions.
- additional costs associated with some voluntary activities e.g. camps / excursions.

Remember we are an **active outdoors program** with indoors theory studies.

I _____ (Student) agree to abide by the rules and values of the Unit and Yanchep Secondary College. I/We _____ (parent(s)/guardian(s)) support my/our child's application to the YSC BRWA Cadet Unit and understand the nature of the commitment that is being made.

Student Name: _____

Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature(s): _____

ALL APPLICATIONS for CADETS are submitted to the front office.
Wearing of the **B.R.W.A.** Uniform is compulsory for all cadets at Y.S.C.

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