



News from Nova Scotia

The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award – Nova Scotia Division Launches New Library Toolkit

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The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award – Nova Scotia Division, has launched "Open Award Centers" in the province. Libraries in Nova Scotia can now deliver the Award Program through the Open Award Centre Model with the "Library Toolkit". It requires minimal staff time commitment and engages with youth between 14 and 24 years old.



This internationally recognized Award program has over 50,000 participants in Canada and seeks to develop active, engaged citizens through a balanced program in 4 ways: learning a skill, being physically active, giving back to the community, and reconnecting with the wilderness.

As an Open Award Centre, libraries can help independent participants who do not have their own Award Unit and Award Leaders achieve their Awards. Training and support for staff member(s) or library volunteer(s) is provided free of charge by the Nova Scotia Division Office.

For more information, please contact the Nova Scotia Division Office at novascotia@dukeofed.org