

## Circular

<b>Title:</b>	2018 Breaka Youth Excellence Program (15-17) - <b>CALL FOR LEADERS/MENTORS</b>
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<b>Summary:</b>	Call for applications for <b>leaders/mentors</b> for the 2018 Breaka Youth Excellence Program to be held from 6-8 July 2018 at Camp Laurence, Lake Moogerah .
<b>Date:</b>	20 March 2018

### APPLICATIONS CLOSE ON WEDNESDAY 9 MAY 2018 AT SLSQ

The State Membership Services Committee are calling for expressions of interest from members interested in being a Leader or Mentor on Queensland's 2018 Breaka Youth Excellence Program to be held from the 6-8 July 2018.

**NOTE: LEADERS AND MENTORS MUST ATTEND THE PROGRAM INDUCTION ON THURSDAY 5 JULY 2018. Timing and location information will be advised upon acceptance of application.**

### What is it all about?

The Breaka Youth Excellence Program provides an opportunity for youth members to be exposed to the many different elements of Surf Life Saving. Youth Development is about providing our young people with positive experiences and opportunities which enhance their strengths and capacity, as well as affirming them as contributors to our community and shapers of their own future.

It is designed to provide youth with knowledge and experience while allowing them to develop skills in a wide range of activities in an enjoyable and stimulating environment. The program is structured to develop maximum participation, confidence and leadership in all participants. As well as introducing the participants to the more formal and responsible roles of Surf Life Saving such as patrol duties, responsibilities of positions etc.

The program will consist of activities that include:

- Lifesaving Skills
- Team Building
- Leadership
- Health/ Fitness
- Communication and Networking Skills

### What does being a Leader or Mentor Involve?

We don't want to overwhelm you with the responsibilities of a Leader or Mentor but here is an overview of what the program will entail for you:

- 1) Ensure that participants abide by all the rules that have been set out for the program and provide a safe environment for participants.
- 2) Encourage maximum participation and comradeship between the participants within your group.
- 3) Ensure timely arrival of your group at each session as set out in the program and assist with the preparation and packing away of gear for all activities.
- 4) Promote the ideals of Surf Life Saving Queensland to all participants.
- 5) Be a role model to all participants.

For a full role description please refer to the SLSQ Website at the following link <http://lifesaving.com.au/breaka-yep/>

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We also want you to know there will be some late nights and early mornings across the weekend to make sure everything is set up and ready to go for the day but it will all be worth it when you see the growth and development in the participants.

Leaders will be 'buddied' with a Mentor who has considerable leadership program experience to mentor the leader through the experience of a SLSQ development program so there will always be someone there as support.

## Who Can Apply

Minimum requirements must be met. If members do not meet the minimum requirements as outlined below they are asked to withhold their application. Candidates must:

- Be 18 years or over;
- Hold a valid 'Working with Children' Blue Card or Exemption Notice;
- Hold a proficient Bronze Medallion and/or hold an ARC, First Aid Certificate (qualifications in other areas i.e. IRB's, Radio, etc. would also be an advantage);
- Be a current financial member of a Queensland affiliated Surf Club;
- Show leadership qualities and most importantly a good rapport with youth.

## How much will it cost?

Cost for leaders will be \$170.00 (GST Exclusive). For North Queensland, North Barrier and Wide Bay Capricorn candidates this cost will cover the return transport to/ from the Brisbane Airport, and 50% of air travel costs. Candidates that withdraw their application after they have been notified as successful will be invoiced for the full amount of the program and flight costs.

## How do I Apply?

If you think you have what it takes to step up and be a positive role model to the Youth within Surf Life Saving we ask that you complete your application via the following link: [Leader & Mentor Application Form](#)

Applications are to be submitted (via the link provided) to SLSQ by **Wednesday 9 May 2018**.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Nicole Palmer, Membership Development Officer at SLSQ:

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Kind Regards,



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