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YEAR 12 in 2026: THIS IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY OF A LIFETIME.

In Term 1, 2026, we're selecting up to eight Year 12 students to represent Tasmania at the AFS Youth Assembly, held in Geneva during August.

The *AFS Youth Assembly* is one of the world's largest youth leadership forums focused on the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. In August 2026, you'll join hundreds of young changemakers in Geneva – home of the UN in Europe – at the *AFS Youth Assembly* to explore this year's theme: **'Rise. Reimagine. Rebuild: A World for All.'**

This global leadership program is your backstage pass to the world of diplomacy. Get real insight into international affairs and join a community of young changemakers making big moves.



Expect bold conversations, hands-on workshops, and real-world projects across four exciting themes.

Exposure to real-world skills in global diplomacy and connections with a network of young changemakers worldwide.

Before the AFS Youth Assembly, dive into a 3-day immersion into global diplomacy, meeting diplomats and experts, and learn how policy shapes the world we live in.

About you

You're a local student heading into Year 12 in 2026 who:

- Has strong academic performance and attendance.
- Enrolled in a HaSS subject in 2025 or 2026 – debating or public speaking skills are a bonus!
- Is passionate about global issues, leadership, and social change.
- Is ready to represent Tasmania on the global stage and help your local community on return.

How the selection process works

It's a two-step competitive process in Term 1, 2026:

1. Submit a written Expression of interest (EOI) to get shortlisted.
2. If you make the cut, you'll need to ace the interview for a place.

More details (including how to apply) will drop in early Term 1, 2026, so stay tuned!

The two-step (EOI and participant selection process) is solely managed by DECYP (*participating Colleges and Education International*). Once you're offered a place in the Tasmanian delegation, comprehensive information will be shared about delegate registration requirements.

When, where and costs

- Mid-August 2026
- Geneva, Switzerland (hotel accommodation TBC)
- Costs: Program participation costs covered DECYP.
- Your part: Return airfare to Geneva + some meals (capped at **\$4,500 per student**).
- Extras you'll need to consider: Passport, visas (if needed), travel insurance & spending money.



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