

Invitation

Multiagency webinar **Thursday 17 September 2020**

Leading through COVID-19

Dear Principals

The AFP is currently planning for an exciting new initiative to hold a series of virtual emerging leaders forums for select year 12 students.

The intent is to generate interactive engagement between senior State Government representatives, Commonwealth officials and young Australians who have self-selected as emerging leaders.

An initial forum on **Thursday, 17 September 2020 between 5-6pm AEST**, will be a pilot for the series. On this occasion the theme for the forum will be ***leading through COVID-19***, with a focus on the engagement between Commonwealth and State partners, and how inter-agency collaboration occurs to achieve Australian Commonwealth and State Government outcomes during crises. The forum is only 1 hour in duration so we will keep it succinct and interactive. Up to 10 students from each school is our aim.

Your Student's Role:

Our future relies on self starting eager Year 12 students who are keen to learn and engage on complex issues. This is a chance to understand how the Commonwealth, States and Territories all worked together through the initial phases of COVID 19, including the complexities of working across government and with the community.

Our current leaders also want to hear from you. We need to know your insights and perspectives on this issue. We appreciate that this year has been extremely challenging for final year students and we hope to provide a level of engagement that you have otherwise missed out on.

AFP Deputy Commissioner Neil Gaughan will join senior members from across the country to each provide their role during this crisis, their complex range of challenges and their ongoing concerns and strategies.

AFP will host the AVAYA network to support external video conference facilities for both panel members and participants.

If you have Year 12 students that would be interested in this forum on 17 September please send a list of their names and email details to AFPYouthForum@afp.gov.au by Wednesday 9 September 2020. I will then send out the forum Avaya details.

This event is not open to the general public, and participants will only be accepted through official school channels.

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