



Bunya to the Bay

Young Ambassadors for the Brisbane River



River Ambassador Application Form

It is important that applicants, parents/guardians and supporting schools are aware of the physical and time commitments required to undertake this journey. Some information on this can be found on the journey leg preference page of this form. Further information can be gathered by:

- Viewing the information flyer (available on the Stanley River EEC Website)
- Watch the bunya to the bay Videos on YouTube
- Get in touch with the team at Stanley River EEC (07) 5497 1447, b2b@stanleyrivereec.eq.edu.au

We are looking for a diverse range of young people to become River Ambassadors. Any students who will be in year 10, 11 or 12 in the 2025 school year are invited to apply.

Applicant details

Student	Name:	Date of Birth
		Grade
Parent/Guardian	Name:	
	Phone:	
	Email:	
	Signature:	

Supporting school details

Supporting School:		
Supporting Teacher	Name:	
	Email:	
	Signature:	
Principal/Deputy/HOD	Name:	Position
	Signature:	

Please turn over and complete page 2

Complete this form and email to b2b@stanleyrivereec.eq.edu.au to submit your application.

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Please take the time to consider the following questions and then answer them. You don't have to do it on your own, you can ask for help. Also we are happy to receive answers in any of the following ways.

- **Write** down a few short words in the space provided below
 - **Talk** with your supporting teacher and have them write down your response or give us a call!
 - **Record** your answers in a video or voice recording and attach it in the email with your submission
 - **Draw** your response in the space below
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What interests you about the concept of connecting to country

What interests you about the concept of a River Ambassador

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Journey Leg Preferences

Whilst there is no guarantee as to which journey leg you will be on, we do like to consider preferences when allocating students to journey Legs. Please indicate in the table below your preference from most (1) to least (4) preferred.

Journey Component	Description & Location	Preference
Opening ceremony Thursday 17 th July	301 A Flat Road, Wrattens Forrest 9 am – 2pm Ceremony orientation and activities <i>families welcome</i>	All ambassadors to attend
<u>Leg 1</u> Thursday 17 th July → Tuesday 22 nd July	Bicycle and hike from Barambah EEC to Harlin Upper Brisbane Valley	
<u>Leg 2</u> Tuesday 22 nd July → Sunday 27 th July	Bicycle and Canoe from Harlin to Wivenhoe Dam Wall	
<u>Leg 3</u> Sunday 27 th July → Friday 1 st August	Canoe the upper Brisbane River from Wivenhoe dam to Mt Crosby Sports Reserve.	
<u>Leg 4</u> Friday 1 st August → Wednesday 6 th August	Canoe, Hike and Public transport the lower Brisbane River from Mt Crosby Sports Ground to Moreton Bay EEC	
Closing Ceremony Journey Wednesday 6 th → Friday 8 th August	Meet at Moreton Bay EEC. Journey to Minjerrabah (N. Stradbroke Island) Closing ceremony on Friday morning. Students can be picked up from Stradbroke Island or from Toondah Harbour from 2pm – 3pm Friday 8 th Aug	All ambassadors to attend Families invited to closing ceremony
Any comments/ requests relating to your preference		

Please note that students will need to arrange their own transport to and from the opening and closing ceremony components and also their journey leg. Stanley River EEC will assist in setting up communication lines between participating students and parents in order to enable carpooling.

Further Information for Applicants

Cost

- There is no cost to apply, successful applicants will be required to pay a participation cost of **\$350 per student**

Section Process

- The application window is now open and will close on Friday 1st of November 2024.
- You will receive email confirmation that your application has been received and you may be contacted for further information.
- In line with Department of Education principals of Co design, all applications will be considered by the Bunya to The Bay Elders group. This group is made up of representatives from the Traditional Owner groups of the Countries that are travelled on the Bunya to the Bay journey.
- Applicants and schools will be notified of selection progress by 22nd November 2024

Selection Criteria:

- Eligible applicants will be enrolled in a high school in grades 10, 11 or 12 in the 2025 school year.
- Applications will be assessed on the **content and intention of the response**, not on the method of response.
- Preference will be given to students who are able to show
 - An interest in a career path that connect to the Bunya to the Bay experience.
 - Who are inspired by being in the outdoors.
 - A connection to country.
 - A passion for environmental sustainability.
- Preference may be given to students in years 11 or 12 who will be ineligible to apply for the 2027 journey.
- Bunya to the Bay staff may get in contact with applicants, guardians and/or supporting teachers for clarification of responses.

Selection Outcome

Unfortunately, there are limited places in this project and not all applicants are able to be included in the journey as River Ambassadors.

- Applicants and schools will be notified of selection progress by 22nd November 2024
- Due to processing time of applications the Bunya to the Bay organising team may require additional time to properly consider all applications. All applicants will be informed of any timeline changes.
- Applicants will be informed of three possible outcomes:
 1. That they have been selected as a River Ambassador
 2. That they have been selected as a back-up River Ambassador (to participate if a selected ambassador is no longer available)
 3. That they have not been selected as a River Ambassador for the upcoming journey
- Any concerns or queries about selection outcomes may be directed to principal@stanleyrivereec.eq.edu.au

Note: If you have any questions regarding the application or selection process you can get in touch with us at Stanley River EEC (07) 5497 1447, b2b@stanleyrivereec.eq.edu.au

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