

NSW Department of Education



# NSW Training Awards 2026

## Regional Prospectus





# Why sponsor with the Regional Training Awards?

The NSW Regional Training Awards are more than just a celebration — they are powerful, community-driven programs that honour the achievements of local apprentices, trainees, students, employers and training providers. Regional Training Awards events, held in local venues across NSW, bring together industry, education, business and community to shine a spotlight on the incredible talent growing in our own backyards.

These events are a special opportunity for role models in the VET sector to be recognised and celebrated within their industry and amongst their family and peers. We recognise excellence while telling real stories of resilience, skill and success.

By sponsoring one or more Regional Training Awards events, your organisation will:

- Be seen as an organisation championing VET in the region – committed to skills development and economic growth
- Connect with local talent, employers, educators, and community networks
- Support future workforce development in your region by championing vocational pathways

With VET playing a vital role in the growth and sustainability of regional NSW, your support sends a clear message: you believe in local people, local skills, and local success.

Put your support behind the stories that matter. Sponsor your Regional Training Awards Program and help to celebrate the best your region has to offer.

To become a sponsor visit:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/skills-nsw/nsw-training-awards/regions>



# About Training Services

We lead the delivery of government-funded vocational education and training (VET) in NSW, and oversee the regulation of apprenticeships and traineeships across the state.

As part of the NSW Department of Education, we work closely with industry and education partners to ensure the workforce is skilled, adaptable and ready for the future.

Our key programs include:

- Smart and Skilled
- Apprenticeships and Traineeships
- Workforce Development initiatives
- 1000 NSW Public Sector Apprentices and Trainees Program
- Adult and Community Education
- Aboriginal Education and Training Initiatives
- NSW Training Awards
- NSW Training Awards & VET Ambassadors

Through VET and higher education, the NSW Department of Education is committed to building a skilled, job-ready workforce that drives the state's economic and social growth.

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# The Impact of Your Support

By sponsoring one or more of the Regional Training Awards Programs you're supporting more than just a single event - you're investing in a program that celebrates and strengthens VET across the state, supports outstanding VET advocates, and builds a brighter future for NSW.

Your support helps to bring the Regional Training Awards to life — honouring local students, apprentices, trainees, teachers, and employers who are making a real impact in their communities. Your support enables vital elements of the program; interview and judging processes, professional learning and development opportunities for regional winners, and finalist networking experiences that build confidence and connection.

When you sponsor the Regional Training Awards, you're not just investing in an event — you're helping to shape the future of skilled careers in your region.

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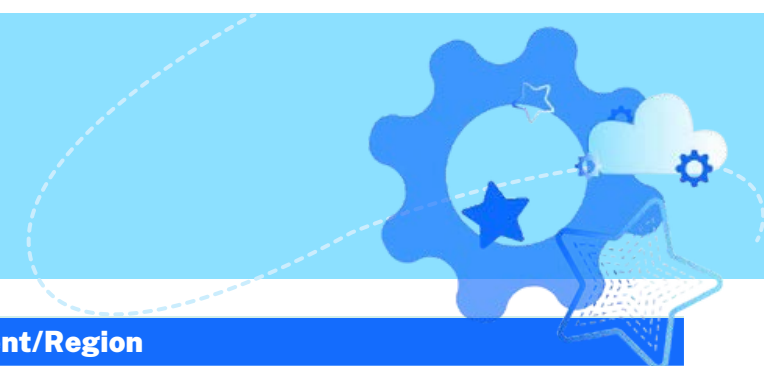
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# Snapshot of the 2025 Regional Training Awards



# Key dates for 2026



Date	Event/Region
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3 November 2025	2026 NSW Training Award entries open
November 2025	2026 State Sponsorship Open
2 February 2026	2026 NSW Training Awards Individual entries close at 4:00pm
27 February 2026	2026 NSW Training Awards Organisation entries close at 5:00pm

### 2026 Regional NSW Training Awards Interviews

9 March - 13 March 2026

### 2026 NSW Organisation Category Interviews

5 - 6 May 2025	Large Employer of the Year
	Small Employer of the Year
	Industry Collaboration Award
	Large Training Provider of the Year
	Small Training Provider of the Year

### 2026 Regional Training Awards Presentations to be held between 14 May - 5 June 2026

Western NSW Training Awards
Hunter & Central Coast Training Awards
New England Training Awards
Illawarra & South East NSW Training Awards
Riverina Training Awards
Central & Northern Sydney
North Coast & Mid North Coast Training Awards
Southern & South Western Sydney
Western Sydney & Blue Mountains

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### 2026 NSW Individual Category Interviews

29 June - 3 July 2026	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year
	Apprentice of the Year
	School-based Apprentice/Trainee of the Year
	Trainee of the Year
	VET in Schools Student of the Year
	VET Trainer/Teacher of the Year
	Vocational Student of the Year

### 2026 NSW Training Awards State Phase

25 August 2026	NSW Training Awards State Event
September 2026	NSW Training Awards Professional Development Week



# Sponsorship Packages



## Gold Sponsor

A Gold Sponsorship provides a range of premium opportunities, including:

- Opportunity to sit on one Regional Training Awards Interview Panel
- 6 tickets to Regional Event
- Present 1 award category on stage\*
- Half page ad in digital program
- 150 words in digital program
- Logo on printed gatefold program
- 2 banners in various locations
- Promotion as Gold Sponsor on the NSW Training Awards website
- Digital photos of the event
- Certificate of Appreciation
- 2 General Admission tickets to the State event

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**\$4,000**

\*subject to availability

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## Silver Sponsor

A Silver Sponsorship provides comprehensive benefits, including:

- 4 tickets to Regional Event
- Logo on printed gatefold program
- Quarter page ad in digital program
- 1 banner at the Regional Event
- Promotion as Silver Sponsor on NSW Training Awards website
- Digital photos of the event
- Certificate of Appreciation

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**\$2,500**

## Bronze Sponsor

A Bronze Sponsorship provides value opportunities, including:

- 2 tickets to Regional Event
- Logo on printed gatefold program
- Logo in digital program
- Promotion as Bronze Sponsor on NSW Training Awards website
- Digital photos of the event
- Certificate of Appreciation

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**\$1,000**



For more information  
[about each region](#)  
[visit our Website](#)



# Important Information about Sponsorship

## Expressions of Interest

- If you would like to sponsor the Regional Training Awards Program, please complete the Expression of Interest (EOI) form here: [Eoi Form](#)
- When submitting an EOI please ensure you indicate which Regional Training Awards program/s you wish to sponsor
- Please note that EOIs are not a guarantee of sponsorship being approved, all sponsorship EOIs are subject to probity and quality assurance checks by the NSW Department of Education.

## Options for Sponsorship

- The Regional Training Awards Program will accept EOIs for both cash sponsorship and in-kind sponsorship.
- Please indicate on the EOI form which type of sponsorship your organisation wishes to express interest for. In-kind sponsorship must be at the same value of the sponsorship levels.

## Sponsoring Multiple Events

- Organisations are welcome to submit EOIs to sponsor multiple Regional Training Awards
- Organisations are also welcome to reach out to the NSW Training Awards team at [NSW.trainingawards@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:NSW.trainingawards@det.nsw.edu.au) to discuss bespoke sponsorship proposals.

## Further Questions

- Please reach out to [nsw.trainingawards@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:nsw.trainingawards@det.nsw.edu.au) if you have further questions regarding Regional Sponsorship or wish to discuss bespoke sponsorship arrangements.

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For more information on sponsorship contact the NSW Training Awards team:

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[www.trainingawards.nsw.gov.au](http://www.trainingawards.nsw.gov.au)

**To maintain the integrity of the NSW Government and the Department, potential Training Provider partners will be subject to quality assurance checks by the Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA), and/or the applicable regulatory authority in NSW.**

**All expressions of interest from prospective sponsors are subject to probity checks by the NSW Department of Education.**

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