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Subject: Discover SAPOL Work Experience Program – Student Application Information

Dear Students & Parents/Guardians,

South Australia Police (SAPOL) is committed to inspiring the next generation of leaders in policing. Discover SAPOL is a four-day work experience program for year 10–12 students, designed to provide a safe and interactive environment to explore policing careers. Through a Problem-Based Learning approach, students take part in presentations, excursions, hands-on projects, team activities, and group presentations, while building strong connections with peers.

The program helps students grow in confidence and gain real insights into roles such as Police Officer and Police Security Officer, all while learning about and connecting with SAPOL's core values.

Important Dates:

- **Applications Open:** Tuesday, 27 January 2026.
- **Applications Close:** Tuesday, 24 February 2026 - 5pm – Late applications will not be accepted.
- **Notification of Outcome:** Successful and unsuccessful applicants will be notified by Tuesday, 24 March 2026.

Program Dates:

Students will be asked to nominate their preferred program date. If successful, SAPOL will aim to accommodate their preferred option.

Course 1: Term 2, Week 1: Tuesday 28 April - Friday 1 May

Course 2: Term 2, Week 5: Tuesday 26 - Friday 29 May

Course 3: Term 3, Week 3: Tuesday 4 - Friday 7 August

Course 4: Term 4, Week 3: Tuesday 27 - Friday 30 October

How to Apply:

This is a two-step process that requires participation from both the student and their careers counsellor or teacher. Applications cannot be accepted unless both components are completed.



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Step 1: Complete the Student Application Form

- Use the link provided to complete the online application form.
- **Important: Students must use their school email address** for the application to be accepted as valid.
- Ensure your responses are thoughtful, as selections are based on the quality of your application.
- After submitting, send a copy of your completed application form to your career counsellor or teacher. They will need this to complete the Teacher Nomination Form.
- Save a copy of your application:
 - Open your submission
 - Click the three dots at the bottom-left
 - Select 'Export to PDF'
 - Print or save as PDF
- **Student Application Link:** <https://sapol.info/StudentApplicationDiscoverSAPOL>

Step 2: Teacher Nomination

- After you have submitted your student application and shared a copy with your careers counsellor or teacher, they will complete the Teacher Nomination (Recommendation) Form.
- This nomination will form part of your overall application assessment.

Step 3: Notification of outcome

- Both successful and unsuccessful applicants will be contacted via email with the outcome.
- If your application is accepted or placed on the waitlist, we will request additional information to complete a security and background check. This will include your full residential address and date of birth.
- **Please note: If a student does not meet the probity requirements, their place in the program will be withdrawn.**

What we are looking for:

We're looking for a well-considered response that includes relevant details or an example, demonstrates reflection, and shows a genuine interest in policing. Your answer should naturally connect to SAPOL's values and what they represent.





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Important Notes

- This is a **competitive program** – not all applicants will be selected.
- Selection is based on the **quality of the application** and a balanced assessment of the student's responses and teacher recommendation.
- If you are offered a place in the program, a **parent or guardian will be required to complete additional paperwork.**
- Applications must follow the outlined process – **late or emailed applications will not be accepted.**

The Discover SAPOL Program is an exciting opportunity to explore a future in policing while gaining valuable career insights. We encourage you to make the most of this experience. If you have any questions, please speak with your school's career counsellor.

Kind Regards
Discover SAPOL Team.



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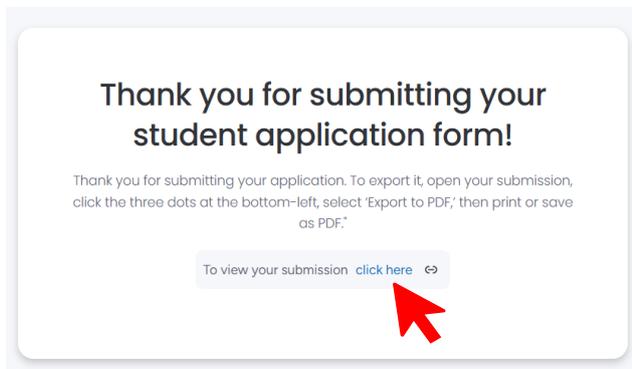


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“How to” export a PDF copy of your Discover SAPOL student application form

Please export a PDF copy of your completed form and share it with your Careers Counsellor or nominated teacher to assist them with their nomination process.

- **Step 1**
Complete your student application form, then click ‘View Submission’ to review your details.



- **Step 2**
Your completed application will now display on the screen for review

Discover SAPOL Work Experience Student Application Form

Student name:
John Smith

Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?
No

Students email:
John.Smith@gmail.com

Name of school:
ABC School

Year level:
Year 10

Nominated teachers name:
Mary Clark

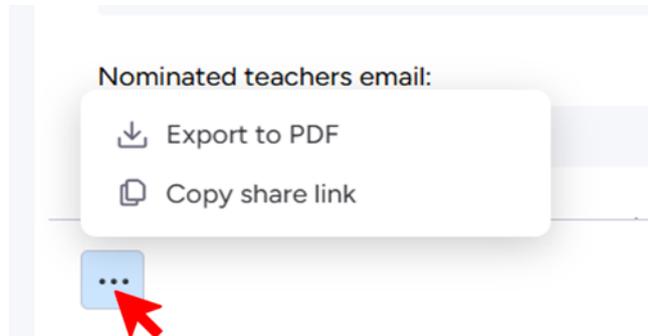
Nominated teachers email:
Mary.Clark@gmail.com



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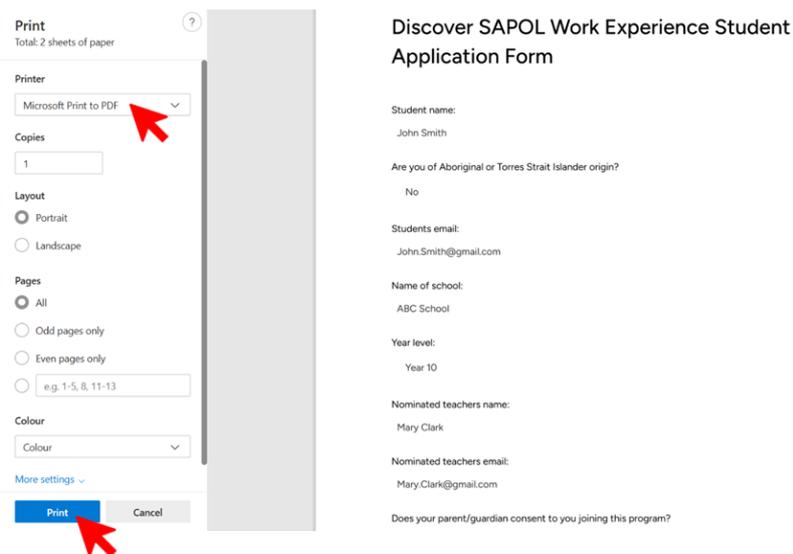
- **Step 3**

Click the three dots in the bottom-left corner and select 'Export to PDF'.



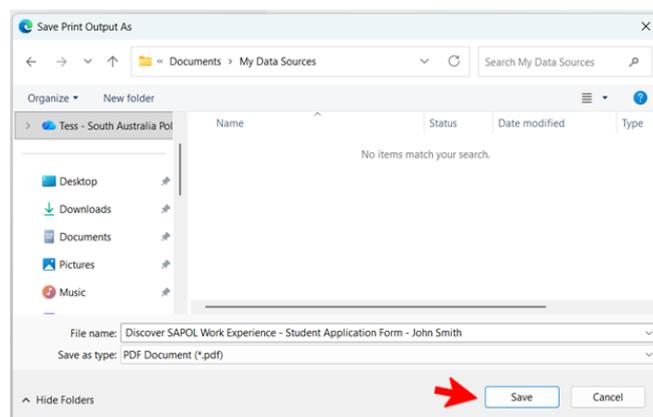
- **Step 4**

When the print options appear, select 'Printer' and choose 'Microsoft Print to PDF' and then select 'print'.



- **Step 5**

Rename your file as needed and save it as a PDF.



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