

# **ADVENTURE IN CITIZENSHIP (AIC)**

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## THE ADVENTURE

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Since 1951, AIC has given a unique opportunity to a select group of young Canadians who get together in Ottawa and gain a better understanding of our country. Through meetings with political leaders, officials, and experts they learn about the workings of our democratic institutions and issues affecting Canada and Canadians. By meeting their peers from across Canada they learn to better appreciate the privileges and responsibilities of citizenship, and that despite their diversity, Canadians have much more in common than matters that divide us.

# **ELIGIBILITY**

The Rotary Adventure in Citizenship (AIC) is open to students aged 16 to 18 years who have already shown leadership potential and who reflect the many cultural communities of Canadian society. The student is a Canadian citizen or holds landed immigrant status.

# **PROGRAM COSTS**

Students are sponsored by a Rotary Club in their region. This Club pays the registration fees as well as the roundtrip travel costs.

# **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

The program evolves from year to year in response to changes in the country and the opportunities available. Typically, the program includes: a visit to the House of Commons and a presentation from the Speaker; meetings with aboriginal and local leaders; and, engaging presentations from keynote speakers on topics of national interest. Other typical activities include a Canadian Citizenship Ceremony, a visit to the Canadian War Museum, a talent show, and a trip into Quebec for a traditional French-Canadian dance and meal. There is also ample time and opportunity for the students to get to know each other and build a better appreciation and understanding of cultural diversity in Canada.

### WHILE IN OTTAWA

The Rotary Club of Ottawa provides all accommodation, meals, and transportation of the participants during the program in Ottawa. Student dormitory accommodation is provided at the University of Ottawa.

# REGISTRATION

Apply for the 2025 Rotary Adventure in Citizenship Program by contacting your local Rotary Club: