

Weed Warriors getting started

Invitation to participate – mentors/community groups

Please use the following letter as an example of a formal invitation, to mentors, community groups and other potential Weed Warriors program participants, to participate in the Weed Warriors program.

<Mentor's organisation/group>

<Postal address>

<Township _ Postcode>

<Date>

Dear <Mentor's name>

Weed Warriors program

Students from <school> are ready to become Weed Warriors to help make a difference in the fight against weeds and I thought <you or your organisation> might be interested in being a mentor for these students.

Weed Warriors is a national community education and engagement program that is focused on fostering increased community awareness of, and involvement in, local weed issues. Through the program students, with the assistance of land managers and community groups, are given the unique opportunity to undertake real-life weed research at school by breeding biological control agents for a target weed, and then releasing them at local infestations.

The role of the Weed Warriors mentor in the program is to help increase the quality of the learning experience and to develop in the students a sense of connection to, and responsibility for, weed issues in their local area. Your involvement in the program will help to create a real-world experience for the students and to help them develop a thirst for environmental knowledge.

Please refer to the enclosed leaflet for more detailed information on the program and its structure, the role of a mentor and what level of involvement is required.

If you are interested in becoming the Weed Warriors mentor for the <school> students, please contact me on <phone> or <email>.

Yours sincerely,

<Name>

<Position>

