

# **Boeing presents Mackay student with aerospace award**

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Boeing has helped Mackay Year 12 student Alice Pattemore to get one step closer to pursuing her dream of a career in radiography after presenting her with the Spirit of Boeing Award.

Pattemore, a top student at St. Patrick's College, received the prestigious accolade at the recent virtual 16th annual Aerospace Industry Education Awards.

Now, she intends to put the \$750 prize money towards her upcoming university education, hoping to study a Bachelor of Medical Imaging (Honours) at QUT.

"I'm so honoured and grateful to win," Pattemore said. "I was inspired to study radiography after suffering pneumonia last year. I thought: 'I love physics and talking to people – this is the career for me.'"

The awards recognise the passion, efforts and achievements of students and teachers from 20 schools across Queensland in the Aerospace Gateway to Industry Schools program.

Boeing is a proud founding partner of the program, alongside the Queensland Department of Education and Training and aviation training provider Aviation Australia.

The Spirit of Boeing Award is a leadership award for high-achieving students – reflecting the company's commitment to reward and inspire next-gen business leaders in their chosen field.

Boeing Defence Australia's director of Mission Systems & Ground Systems Bill Madley, who presented Pattemore with her award at an online ceremony, was pleased to give her career a boost.

"Boeing is thrilled to be able to provide bright and ambitious young students like Alice with both a reward for their hard work and an incentive to continue their education," Madley said.