

ABSA Academy and Key Events 2021

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11 ABSA Office Opens 18 Webinar for Families - Preparing Your Family For The Transition Into Boarding School 26 AUSTRALIA DAY	Virtual
2-3 UK BSA Boarding Conference 9 The "A" Student Study Strategy Session 15 National Heads of Boarding Catch Up	Virtual Virtual Virtual
2 NT ICPA Conference 4 Duty of Care Workshop Book 1 6 TAKING THE REINS CONFERENCE - DAY 1 10-11 NSW ICPA Conference 12 SA ICPA Conference 17 Duty of Care Workshop Book 1 18 Duty of Care Workshop Book 2 19 WA ICPA Conference 23 Duty of Care Workshop Book 2	Katherine, NT Virtual VIRTUAL Hay, NSW Port Augusta, SA Wesley College, WA Wesley College, WA Perth, WA Virtual
2-5 EASTER 25 ANZAC DAY	
2-8 Beef Week 4-5 UK BSA Annual Conference For Heads 5-8 Agfest 11 National Heads of Boarding Catch Up 14-15 Boarding School Expo 14-15 Riverina Field Days 16-22 NATIONAL BOARDING WEEK 20-22 Primex Field Days 21-23 AHISA New Members' Conference 25 Duty of Care Workshop Book 1 26 Duty of Care Workshop Book 2 26 National Sorry Day	Rockhampton, QLD Virtual Launceston, TAS Virtual Dubbo, NSW Griffith, NSW Casino, NSW Canberra, ACT Virtual Virtual
1-2 QLD ICPA Conference 2-4 IEBA Symposium 3 Boarding School Expo 4-5 Boarding School Expo 24-26 Ag-Grow	Cunnamulla, QLD Cairns, QLD Griffith, NSW Wagga, NSW Emerald, QLD
9-10 Kununurra Agricultural Show 16 Katherine Show 22-24 Royal Darwin Show 23-24 Boarding School Expo 28-29 ICPA Federal Conference	Kununurra, WA Katherine, NT Darwin, NT Narrabri, NSW Longreach, QLD
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1-2 Newdegate Expo 8 Duty of Care Workshop Book 2 21-23 Henty Field Days	Newdegate, WA Virtual Henty, NSW
25 National Heads of Boarding Catch Up 27 Duty of Care Workshop Book 1	Virtual Virtual
4 Duty of Care Workshop Book 2 11-13 TABS Conference, USA	Virtual Boston, USA
17 ABSA Office Closes	



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2021 Webinar Series

The Australian Boarding Schools Association conducts a range of webinars to assist our boarding community. We are bringing together experts in the field to offer valuable and specific professional development for boarding staff via an online platform, occurring predominantly on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Term 1 = 10 Webinars

Term 2 = 20 Webinars

Term 3 = 20 Webinars

Term 4 = 10 Webinars

Some Key Topics Including:

- Risk Management
- Homesickness
- Analysing Staff Needs
- Boarding Policies
- Indigenous Art
- Nutrition & Health
- Gender Identity
- Virtual Boarding House Tours
- Communication Strategies
- Beginning with Reach
- Social Media Trends
- Reputation Management
- Staff/Student Wellbeing
- Creating a Healthy Lifestyle
- Going from Good to Great
- Building House Culture

Certificate Courses

As part of the professional learning opportunities offered by ABSA there is a range of Certificate Courses specifically aimed at professionals working in boarding schools. These certificates will concentrate on one key aspect of learning and will provide those undertaking the courses with in-depth knowledge of the topic. These will also allow participants to obtain Continuing Professional Development points, ensuring the requirement of the Boarding Standard for Australian Schools and Residences to take part in continuous boarding specific learning can be tracked.

Some Topics Including:

- Youth Mental Health
- Cyber Safety and Social Media
- High Performance Study Support
- Building Chinese Cultural Competence

Other Key Events

We know that 2021 will see us back to some of our face to face events but we will also be continuing to run a wide range of virtual events. Look out for the following:

- **Regional Division Social Events**
- **Regional Virtual Gatherings**
- **Online Boarding Conference**
- **Principals' Lunches**
- **Business Managers' Lunches**
- **Reach User Sessions**

Please ensure that you are subscribed to our weekly eNEWS as this regular communication is where you will find key dates and information on how to register for 2021.