

THE ABSA TRAINING ACADEMY

Term 1 Webinar Offerings

We are very excited to launch the Term 1, 2021, Webinar offerings for Boarding Staff. The webinars cover a wide range of informative and necessary topics which you can see outlined in this calendar.

Every webinar is open to any staff member working in a boarding school, however different webinars are targeted toward and suited to different levels of staff. The targeted audiences will be made very clear across our eNEWS, emails and Social Media throughout the year.

Following the success of the 2020 Webinar Series we are offering "Bundle" Registrations to schools, with 2021 seeing the introduction of a yearly package which will include in excess of 60 webinars for the year. We understand the timing of webinars can be tricky to watch live, so every webinar offered is recorded and you will receive access to these following the live webinar.

Webinar Pricing:
EARLY BIRD SPECIAL
Full Year Bundle (60+ webinars for all staff) - \$825 (incl GST) - only up until February 28 - usually \$990 (incl GST)

Term Bundle Registrations

- Term 1 Bundle: \$165 (incl GST)
- Term 2 Bundle: \$330 (incl GST)
- Term 3 Bundle: \$330 (incl GST)
- Term 4 Bundle: \$165 (incl GST)

The above options allow all of your school staff access to the whole term's webinars and the recordings.

School Registration: \$55 (incl GST) per webinar

This registration allows all of the staff at your school access to the specific live webinar and recording.

Individual Registration: \$22.50 (incl GST) per webinar

Non-member: \$44 (incl GST) per webinar

To find out more about these offerings email absa@boarding.au.

Your Professional Journey in Boarding

How will the ABSA Training Academy help staff develop personally and professionally? They will:

- be able to evaluate and have a clear appreciation of the personal and professional needs and skills involved in a boarding role
- develop greater knowledge and understanding of the issues facing boarders and the boarding sector
- develop the ability to reflect critically on work and evaluate the need for change
- be able to communicate and defend views and opinions orally and in writing
- develop a clear vision of the school's management strategies for providing good pastoral care
- satisfy the requirements of the Boarding Standard for Australian Schools and Residences
- develop study and time management skills and an ability to analyse reading and a wide range of reference sources
- give boarding staff a development pathway to build professional competence and confidence
- professionalise your career in boarding school pastoral care.

Introductory Courses

At the introductory level, the ABSA Training Academy offers essential training in the skills required to work in a boarding environment. The ABSA Online Induction Program and the Duty of Care Certificate Course are seen as major components in this section, helping boarding staff and the wider boarding community to gain a critical understanding of the skills necessary to work effectively and safely with boarders.

Ongoing Learning

ABSA runs a multitude of learning opportunities for staff working in the front line of boarding. A range of webinars are offered throughout each term and a suite of online courses is available through the ABSA website. These will allow participants to obtain Continuing Professional Learning points, ensuring the requirement of the Boarding Standard for Australian Schools and Residences to take part in continuous boarding specific learning can be tracked. A personalised Professional Learning Certificate will be issued at the end of each year.

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 Learning points, ensuring the requirement of the Boarding Standard for Australian Schools and Residences to take part in continuous boarding specific learning can be tracked. A personalised Professional Learning Certificate will be issued at the end of each year.

Master's

ABSA has partnered with the BSA (UK) and the University of Buckingham to provide a Master's in Residential Education. The course is aimed at experienced practitioners from Australia, the UK and overseas who wish to undertake a Master's degree. The course is built around an introductory study day at the University of Buckingham (online option), followed by expert support from the University and ABSA.

Accredited Boarding Practitioner

The ABSA Accredited Boarding Practitioner scheme is an individual recognition of those boarding staff who are making a personal, professional commitment to best boarding practice.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
JANUARY				
	19 Preparing Your Child and Family for the Transition into Boarding School Parent Connect Teneeka Hill			
FEBRUARY				
	2 Your Wellbeing Blueprint, Bridging Heads and Hearts in Boarding Schools Positive Communities and Organisations Jessica Taylor			5 Beginning Your Journey with Reach Reach Boarding School System Garry Jowett
	9 The "A" Student Study Strategy (For Boarders) A Team Tuition Hayden McEvoy	10 Virtual Boarding House Tour St Paul's College, Walla Walla Kris Wheeler	11 Effective Proactive Issues Management Being Central to Reputation in the Education Sector Perception Partners Julian Brophy	
15 Virtual National Heads of Boarding Catch Up	16 Boarding House Prep Supervision A Team Tuition Hayden McEvoy		18 Critical Risk Analysis for Boarding Schools St Margaret's Anglican Girls School Lesa Fowler	
	23 Taking a Boarding House from Good to Great The Hamilton & Alexandra College / MLC VIC Andrew Monk & Jane Shone		25 Nutrition and Mental Health Mood Food Holly Hoskins	
MARCH				
1 Certificate Course 1 - Session 1	2 ICPA NT Conference	3 How To Engage Your Families In Boarding School Parent Connect Teneeka Hill Certificate Course 2 - Session 1	4 Virtual Duty of Care Book 1 Workshop	
8 Certificate Course 1 - Session 2	9 Virtual Boarding House Tour Dilworth School, NZ	10 ICPA NSW Conference Certificate Course 2 - Session 2	11 ICPA NSW Conference Living an Active Healthy Lifestyle in Boarding	12 ICPA SA Conference
15 Certificate Course 1 - Session 3	16 Introducing Life Skills To Your Boarders The Life Curriculum Hayley Hall	17 Certificate Course 2 - Session 3		19 ICPA WA Conference
22 Certificate Course 1 - Session 4	23 Virtual Duty of Care Book 2 Workshop	24 Certificate Course 2 - Session 4		