

BOARDING SCHOOLS, AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOLS AND HOSTELS REPORT

Madam President, distinguished guests, fellow members of ICPA, ladies and gentlemen.

It is with great pleasure that I present the Boarding Schools, Agricultural High School and School Term Hostels Report. Attending schooling online has had an impact on families, it has been a very long, emotional and financial toll on all families trying to educate their children, a basic, necessary and essential need. A big thankyou again to all the schools which have worked so hard during this time to try and minimise disruption to our children's education in so many ways.

On behalf of ICPA-NSW, I would like to welcome and thank the Boarding School representatives for attending this conference- your ongoing support is greatly appreciated. I would also like to thank Richard Stokes, Thomas Dunsmore and staff from ABSA for everything you have done especially during these unsettled times.

I would also like to thank those on State Council, Claire Butler, Bree Wakefield, Kate Warby and Libby McPhee regarding all your hard work regarding boarding over these past 2 years, it has greatly been appreciated. ICPA-NSW has also been lobbying hard on behalf of families affected by boarding interstate.

Last year we were lucky to hold our annual conference in Hay, but of course, not long after that Covid hit once again throwing things into uncertainly.

The Boarding School Expo's were affected once again, fortunately we were very lucky to be at both Griffith and Wagga despite many schools being unable to attend, both days were well attended by the public. Currently plans are in place for the Boarding Schools Expos to be held in 2021

Dates for the Boarding Schools Expos for 2022 are

Dubbo Expo 13-14th of May

Wagga Expo 3-4th of June

Moree Popup 21st of July

Tamworth 22-23rd July

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