



BPAC 2022 GROUP EVENTS UPDATE

Dear Teachers,

We are writing to inform you of some details/changes that we BPAC will be implementing this year with studios and educational facilities in mind. Whilst we are still in the midst of the pandemic, it seems that this year will still present some challenges.

Vaccination Requirements

Firstly, we are led by the rules of the Qld Government Health Department directives.

BPAC venues are bound by the following, regarding vaccinations as of the 17th Dec 2021.

- *From 17 December 2021 a new Public Health Direction from QLD Health will come into effect at BPAC venues, which applies to everyone who enters the venue who is 16+ years of age.*
- *This directive applies to all Venue Hirers, Clients, Producers, Promoters, PCO's, Contractors, Patrons, Delegates, Artists, Employees, Volunteers, Suppliers, Crew and those who are 16 + years.*
- *Only those who are fully vaccinated (or medically exempt) are permitted to enter BPAC venues.*
- *Proof of vaccination will be required when entering the building and all persons will also need to register via the Qld Check-In App once they have gained entry to the Venue*

We know this can change in a minute (for better or worse) so the BPAC Committee will keep you informed of any changes that occur.

Introducing - The Covid Rescue Rule!

Teacher: *'HELP, I potentially will have students who will have to isolate/have covid/are a close contact on the day of the eisteddfod. How am I possibly going to be able to enter this year, my team/s will be so uncertain.'*

Let us help you! We will be implementing this NEW rule for our 2022 Group & Education Events.

(insert visual of the BPAC Committee standing triumphantly with capes waving)

On the day of the Challenge if you have the unfortunate situation where a student/s have covid symptoms, test positive for covid, are a close contact etc and cannot dance this rule will apply:-



All Teams will be allowed a dancer substitution of 10% of their team by a dancer who is up to and no more than 1 year older. (cut-off date is by 31st Dec)

Team Sizes

Up to 14 dancers	1 dancer substitution
15 & up to 24 dancers	2 dancer substitutions
25 & up to 34 dancers	3 dancer substitutions
35 & up to 44 dancers	4 dancer substitutions
45 & up to 50 dancers	5 dancer substitutions

Again, any replacement dancer can be no more than 1 year older by the 31st Dec.

You can substitute as many dancers as you like who are of the correct age for the particular section but by allowing a percentage of dancers (1) year older it will make the process easier and less stressful for the dancers and the teachers, we hope.

This way we believe you may have reserves who have done a dance in a previous year ready, rehearsed and are able to step in should this unfortunately occur during these uncertain times.

Should you have a 'Covid Rescue Dancer' in the team on the day you must follow the following protocol:

*The substitute dancer/s, along with a teacher **MUST** register at the Groups Convenors' Desk prior to the section commencing. We **MUST** be notified of these substitutions and when they occur to avoid any issues. Failure to do this may result in disqualification from the section.*

Finally, we are proud to announce that BPAC will be working alongside the SCDE, the Gold Coast Eisteddfod, 'Born To Perform' - Redcliffe Eisteddfod and Wynnum Eisteddfod to provide some continuity for you all throughout this period.

Thank you,
BPAC Committee