

Levies FAQ sheet - Frequently Asked Questions:



1. How much are levies?

The current levies are set at a rate of \$300 per school plus \$3 per student (roll 9-13) as at March roll returns in any given year. The levies are set by the BOP Principals Management Group and invoicing is sent out in June/July of each year by the Sport BOP Accounts Manager.

2. What are the levies for?

Sport BOP provides 1.5 FTE staff to attend to Secondary School Sport in the Bay of Plenty. 0.5 FTE is allocated to sanctioning and overseeing events, and 1 FTE for secondary school support and system enhancement. These roles are predominantly funded by Sport NZ (Regional Sports Director-RSD contract), with school levies and a SBOP contribution collectively making up the RSD role.

The levies provide your school with access to the BOP Secondary School Sanctioned Events Calendar and the BOP Sport Coordinator Network. They also give our RSD's the mandate to broker the needs of schools with sport codes who deliver opportunities to rangatahi. Lastly it enables them channel resources from the Sport BOP and School Sport NZ network towards your school.

3. What do the RSDs do exactly?

As per the agreement between BOP Secondary Schools and Sport BOP, for the levy payment invested by schools, Sport BOP undertake the following tasks:

- Undertake the annual sanctioning process for regional Secondary School events, compiling the BOPSS Sports Calendar of events (approx. 40 regional and sub-regional inter-school events)
- Manage the relationship with event Delivery Partners on behalf of schools, ensuring they adhere to the standards and expectations set out in the 'Terms of Delivery'
- Support the organisation and delivery of up to 2 regional Secondary School events per term (8 per year) that are considered either 'high value' and/or 'low delivery partner capability'
- Hold and manage an 'EnterNow' subscription for effective and efficient entries into BOPSS events that suit school sport coordinators
- Organise and hold termly sport coordinator meetings to discuss quality of events and include PD component
- Organise and deliver termly BOP School Sport Council workshops for secondary school student voice and leadership development
- Provide a centralised communication channel for secondary school opportunities and events through a weekly newsletter and Rangatahi RSD role
- Either in relation to the PMG request or based off insights from BOP Rangatahi, help establish new experiences in the BOPSS events calendar to ensure there are opportunities that appeal and meet the needs of any/all school students in the BOP

4. How does this differ from previous years?

The only difference to previous years is less of a physical presence or 'human resource commitment' to the delivery of school events (from 0.8 FTE in 2020 and prior to approx. 0.5 FTE in 2021). We are replacing this with robust systems and processes to ensure events remain at the same quantity and they continue to be affordable, safe, inclusive, and fun so that schools and students do not notice a difference when event delivery is handled more heavily by delivery partners. This is why our Principals Management Group for Sport decided to keep levies at their current level in 2021 as they did not perceive any reduction in value to schools.

5. Who do I contact for more information?

Your first port of call should be the Active Young People Team Leader - Calvin Buttimore calvinb@sportbop.co.nz
For all additional information you can contact the Sport Manager - Nick Chambers nickc@sportbop.co.nz