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**Students to shine light on farm safety**

The 2021 farm safety calendar competition is underway with rural and regional school students encouraged to put their artistic talents to good use.

The Member for Keppel and Assistant Education Minister Brittany Lauga said the competition, run by Workplace Health and Safety Queensland, is always a big hit with students in Central Queensland.

In 2017 Taranganba State School student Riley Mahoney so impressed the judges that he was one of 12 primary school students from regional Queensland to win in the drawing competition printed in the 2018 Farm Safety Calendar.

“This competition aims to raise awareness among primary school children and their communities of hazards on farms and rural properties,” said Ms Lauga.

“Students are encouraged to draw pictures about good health and safety practices on farms and enter their masterpieces in the hope of making it into the 2022 edition of the calendar.

“This calendar competition is a fun and informative way to show our future farmers that these mishaps can be prevented with a little extra care and planning.”

The 12 winners receive a $250 gift voucher and $500 for their school.

Entries close on Friday 25 June, with the winners will be announced in September.

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