



BITS Pilani
Dubai Campus

JASMIN

RULEBOOK – SCHOOL EDITION

ABOUT US



JASHN is the **largest** inter-university and inter-school **cultural festival** organized by **BITS Pilani, Dubai Campus**. With a rich history spanning 19 years, our focus for JASHN 2026 is to elevate it to new heights.

From **April 14th to 17th, 2026**, our campus will host students from universities and schools across UAE, engaging in diverse cultural events. JASHN embodies a celebration of talent, dedication, and enthusiasm; firmly rooted in the belief that excellence is not merely an action but a **cultivated habit**.

THE VENUE



BITS PILANI
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Outdoor & Indoor Stage Setup with LED Screen & state-of-the art sound system

THE ATTENDEES



FOOTFALL OVER 4 DAYS

5000+

University & School students
hailing from all over UAE

GENERAL RULES

- Participation is limited to current school students.
- All participants are expected to carry their Emirates ID & Student ID (both hard copies) during the event days. Failure to do so will result in disqualification of that particular participant.
- All participants must assemble 45 minutes before their respective event and will then be escorted to their assigned green rooms.
- Each participant must adhere to the prescribed time limit for their performance, which includes buffer time. Non-compliance will result in a penalty impacting the final score.
- All DIAC rules must be followed in all the events. Any instances of obscenity by the participants will result in severe actions taken by the organizers.
- The decisions of the judges are conclusive and not subject to review or alteration.
- In the event of any dispute, the organizer's decision will be considered final.
- All participants are required to sign an undertaking form, which will be sent at a later date. Failure to sign the undertaking forms will result in the participant(s) being ineligible to participate in their registered events.
- All participants must be 14-19 years old to be eligible for participation in all Jashn School events.
- The event may be cancelled at the sole discretion of the organizers if an insufficient number of teams are registered.

The organizing committee does not assume responsibility for injuries or medical incidents that may occur to participants within the venue premises. Participants are strongly advised to prioritize their safety and that of others throughout the event. Non-compliance with the rules and regulations will lead to the immediate disqualification of the respective participant.



MUSIC

WESTERN SOLO

Time Limit	5 mins
Participants	1 Participant per School
Judging Criteria	Song Difficulty, Rhythm, Clarity & Presentation (including stage presence)

EASTERN SOLO

Time Limit	5 mins
Participants	1 Participant per School
Judging Criteria	Song Difficulty, Rhythm, Clarity & Presentation (including stage presence)

INSTRUMENTAL

Time Limit	Up to 5 mins for Performance + 4-5 mins Soundcheck
Participants	1 Participant per School
Judging Criteria	Technique, Style, Rhythm & Presentation (stage presence included).

BATTLE OF BANDS

Time Limit	20 mins for Performance + 5 min Setup
Participants	1 Band per School Max: 6 members
Judging Criteria	Team Cohesion, Technique, Style, Song Difficulty, Rhythm, Clarity & Presentation (stage presence included).

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RULES

- **Qualifying Criteria** - participants must be current students of the schools they are representing.
- **Pre-Event Attendance and Green Room** - participants must assemble 45 mins before the respective event and will then be escorted to their green room.
- **Time Limit** - participants must not exceed the maximum allotted time in their category, including buffer time. Failure to adhere will result in a penalty, which affects your final score.
- **Foul Language** - following the DIAC rules and regulation, use of foul language will not be tolerated and will lead to immediate disqualification.
- **Equipment Damage/Loss** - BPDC will claim no responsibility for any damages or loss incurred for equipment brought to the event, the safety and condition of equipment belonging to participants is left to their discretion.

WESTERN/EASTERN SOLO

- **Supporting Instrument/Track** - participants may use either one instrument or one beat-boxer or track to support their performance. In case of track, the track must be submitted 3 days prior to their event. The backing track must be a karaoke version and cannot include any vocals, whatsoever.

INSTRUMENTAL

- **Number of Instruments** - participants can only play one instrument for their entire performance and cannot swap instrument during their performance.
- **Track** - track must be submitted 3 days prior to their event. The backing track cannot include an instrument playing the same part (harmony, octave, different instrument, same instrument), whatsoever. During the performance, track volume will be low so that instrument is distinct. The backing track cannot include any vocals, whatsoever.

BATTLE OF BANDS

- **Singers**- bands must include one singer
- Track is not allowed
- **Equipment Preparation** - bands must be prepared to connect their equipment (instrument, pedals, processors) to the sound system. Any possible difficulties with equipments can be discussed before hand to ensure a smooth soundcheck.
- The soundcheck for all participating bands will be **conducted on the day of event, prior to the commencement of the event.** (subject to final scheduling, roughly 20-25 minutes for each band).

MUSIC EVENTS - COORDINATORS

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DRAMA

PROSCENIUM (ENGLISH STAGE PLAY)

- This is an **inter-school event** where teams are given a chance to showcase their acting talent in front of a live audience, based on a play of their choice. It is a competition for all the budding stage actors.

Time Limit	15-25 mins
Participants	Minimum 2, Maximum 15 members including the director & writer.
Judging Criteria	Story, Props, Costumes, Creativity, Coordination, Overall Performance

RULES

- All participants must be current students at the school.
- Exceeding the time limit or the number of participants will lead to disqualification.
- No pre-recorded scenes or songs will be allowed.
- Any AV requirements must be clearly communicated and files must be shared with the event coordinators, a minimum of 72 hours prior to the event date.
- No musicals will be allowed. In case of a musical, the team will be immediately disqualified.
- No obscene language or vulgarity will be tolerated.
- During your performance, do not use items that may cause inconvenience to the succeeding performances and the stage. (eg. water, chalk powder, talcum powder, snow spray etc.) This will lead to disqualification.
- The play should be in English

DRAMA EVENTS - COORDINATORS

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DANCE

GROUP DANCE

Time Limit	5 – 10 mins
Participants	Minimum – 5 Maximum– 18
Stage Setup + Clearing Time	2 mins + 2 mins

RULES

- All participants must be the current students of the school.
- Failure to match the minimum or maximum number of participants will lead to immediate disqualification of the team.
- The dance performance can be of any style (Western, Eastern, Bollywood, Hiphop, Contemporary, Bharatnatyam, etc).
- Please note the maximum limit of participants INCLUDES the number of volunteers.
- A volunteer must be brought for handling the lighting for the dance.
- During your performance, use of items that may cause inconvenience to succeeding performances and the stage is prohibited. (eg.water, chalk powder, talcum powder, snow spray etc.).
- In the event of music stoppage due to technical faults in the submitted track, the team will not be allowed to replay the track and will lead to disqualification.
- No religious theme allowed for any performances.

DANCE EVENTS - COORDINATORS

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PIXELS

PIXELS (PHOTOGRAPHY)

“Pixels” is an annual inter school competition for photography. The categories are :

- DSLRs
- Mobile Photography

Pictures must be submitted to: reflexions@dubai.bits-pilani.ac.in with the subject of your mail being 'Pixels Photography' along with the following details:

Name, School, Age, Emirates ID and Mobile Number.

Not providing any of this information will lead to the disqualification of the entry.

The theme for this competition is: Capturing Jashn'26 Moments.

RULES

- The deadline for submission is 16th April 2026.
- Contestants can submit at most 2 images in each category.
- All photos should have EXIF (Metadata) embedded in them.
- Photos should not contain any watermarks.
- All photos should be in JPEG format, and at least 2MB in size (Exclusion: Mobile Photography)
- Please name the file in the following format:

NAMEofPARTICIPANT_CATEGORY_IMGX.JPG

- IMGX where X is the submission number. For 2 images in the same category, IMG1 & IMG2

Judging criteria will be based on:

- Overall Aesthetics of the shot
- Composition & Creativity
- Storytelling ability — how effectively the photograph conveys a narrative
- Capturing the spirit of Jashn — moments, emotions, celebrations, traditions, and details that reflect anything related to Jashn
- Decisions of the judges will be final and binding, no appeal for reconsideration will be acknowledged.

PHOTOGRAPHY EVENTS - COORDINATORS

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REGISTER NOW!

REGISTRATION QR FOR ALL EVENTS



DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION:

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