



Artist's impression of the new Armidale Secondary College

## Armidale Secondary College

### Project update

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### Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is investing \$6 billion over the next four years to deliver more than 170 new and upgraded schools to support communities across NSW. In addition, a record \$1.3 billion is being spent on school maintenance over four years, along with a record \$500 million for the sustainable Cooler Classrooms program to provide air conditioning to schools. This is the largest investment in public education infrastructure in the history of NSW.

### Armidale Secondary College

The new school is being developed on the current Armidale High School site, consolidating Armidale High School and Duval High School. Sized for approximately 1,500 students, it will include modern facilities in 79 new classrooms, new school buildings, improved performing arts and sports facilities, attractive landscaping and design features that connect indoor and outdoor learning.

The school will include learning neighbourhoods with flexible, adaptable spaces that help students use modern technology, while working independently and in groups. The new school will also include specialist facilities to support science, industrial arts, hospitality, performing arts and agricultural studies.

### Progress summary

- Installation of a temporary school at Duval High School is complete.
- Site establishment has taken place at Armidale High School and the commencement of early works has begun including investigative works, temporary fencing and bunting.
- The main body of construction work will soon commence on the new Armidale Secondary College, with Richard Crookes Constructions awarded the main works construction tender.

### Next Steps

- Completion of the detailed design.
- Demolition works at Armidale High school to commence week commencing 18 February, 2019.
- Development application approval.

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## Frequently asked questions

### **When will demolition works at Armidale High School occur?**

The main works contract has now been awarded and as such we are writing to inform you that scheduled days of demolition works at Armidale High School are due to occur between 18 February and end of June 2019. Works will take place between the hours of 7am – 5pm.

### **How will the site be managed to minimise disruption to residents?**

The area has been secured and appropriate control and monitoring measures have been installed. Noise will be kept to a minimum as best as possible during this period and dust as a result of demolition and construction works will be hosed down as required.

### **Is there an impact to traffic during this period?**

Traffic will be managed in accordance with the Traffic Management Plan for the new school. It is not anticipated that residents will be impacted through road closures as a result of construction works. If there are any changes to this residents will be notified in advance.

### **How can we stay informed about the project?**

The health, safety and well-being of our neighbours is our highest priority and we will continue to keep you updated to ensure disruptions to the community are minimized.

Your questions and comments help inform future project updates and FAQs. If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to call the School Infrastructure NSW hotline or email address.

We thank you for your patience during these works and we are thrilled to deliver this project for the school community.