Hastings Secondary College



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The NSW Government is investing \$7 billion over the next four years, continuing its program to deliver more than 200 new and upgraded schools to support communities across NSW. This is the largest investment in public education infrastructure in the history of NSW.

The NSW Department of Education is committed to delivering new and upgraded schools for communities across NSW. The delivery of these important projects is essential to the future learning needs of our students and supports growth in the local economy.

We are upgrading Hastings Secondary College to support the student community at both campuses.

The upgrade will deliver:

Port Macquarie Campus



14 new or upgraded innovative learning spaces



3 supported learning spaces



New Technological and Applied Studies facilities



New Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) building



Increase student accessibility with 3 lifts installed



Redeveloped school entry

Westport Campus



Relocate and upgrade administration office



3 innovative flexible learning spaces



Redeveloped school entry

A separate proposal also includes a shared use multi-sport facility at the Port Macquarie Campus, in partnership with the Police Citizens Youth Clubs (PCYC) NSW.



Overview

The upgrade to Hastings Secondary College is being staged to ensure the school remains operational during construction and to minimise disruption to learning.

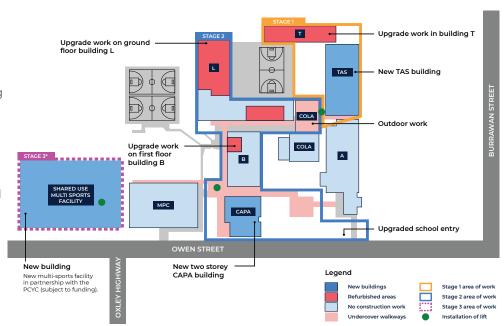
Port Macquarie Campus

Stage 1

 New TAS building, refurbishment of building T into additional TAS facilities and associated landscaping works.

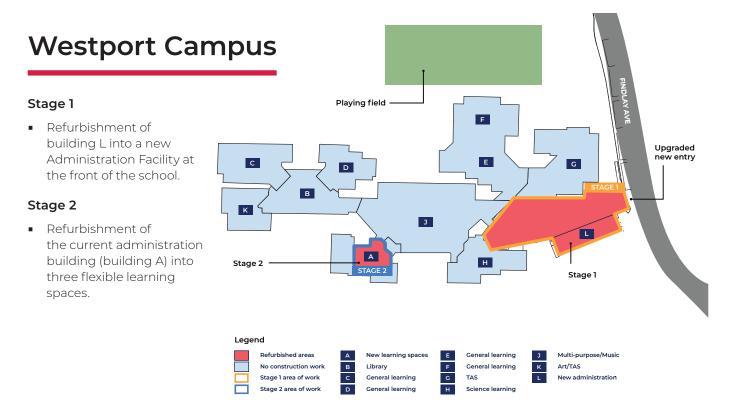
Stage 2

- New CAPA building, refurbishment of building L and building B (upgraded learning and support spaces).
- Upgraded school entry, covered walkways and associated landscaping works.



Stage 3

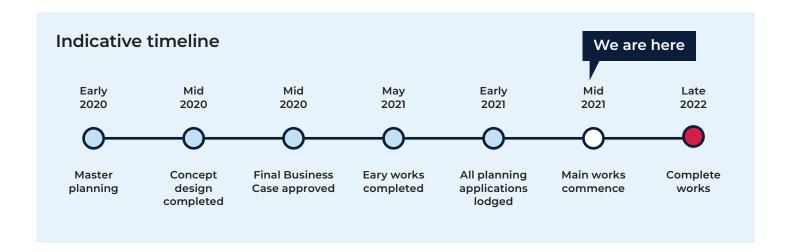
• New multi-sport facility in partnership with the PCYC (subject to funding).



Progress and timeline

All planning applications for the project have now been lodged.

The construction tender for the main works will be awarded and construction is anticipated to commence mid 2021, starting with Stage 1 at Port Macquarie Campus.



Port Macquarie Campus upgrade Stage 1

The first stage of the upgrade at the Port Macquarie Campus is construction of a new Technical and Applied Sciences (TAS) building, upgrade to facilities in building T and increased open landscaped areas with accessibility to areas within the campus.

Schematic design has been completed following consultation with school representatives to ensure classroom designs and layouts support teaching and learning requirements. Construction is anticipated to commence in mid 2021.

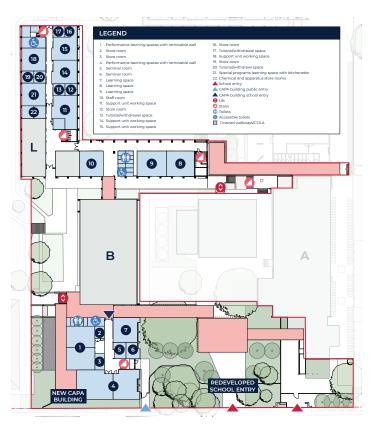


Port Macquarie Campus upgrade Stage 2

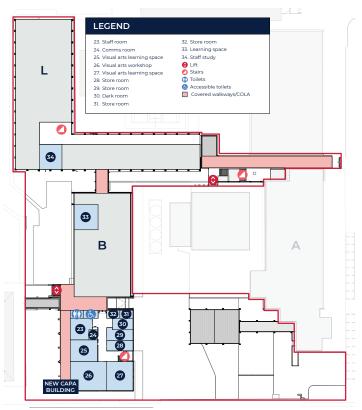
Stage 2 includes the new Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) building, refurbishment of Blocks L and B, external works and a new school entrance.

The CAPA building will include general learning spaces and workshop spaces for subjects such as visual, dramatic and performing arts. Schematic designs were finalised and submitted as part of the State Significant Development Application to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) in May 2021.

Ground floor



Level 1



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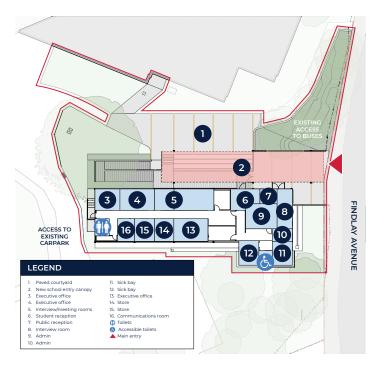


Westport Campus upgrade Stages 1 and 2

The upgrade at the Westport Campus will provide new permanent general learning spaces and provide a new school administration building and upgraded entrance.

Schematic designs were finalised and submitted as part of the Development Application (DA) to Port Macquarie-Hastings Council in April 2021.

Stage 1 Stage 2





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Proposed Port Macquarie Stage 3: PCYC multi-sport facility

There is a separate proposal for a shared use multi-sport facility in partnership with Police Citizens Youth Clubs NSW (PCYC).

The master plan of the Port Macquarie Campus site was developed to ensure these two projects could proceed separately and independently of each other.

The multi-sport facility is being designed and has been submitted as part of the State Significant Development planning application for Port Macquarie Campus as Stage 3. However, construction of this facility is subject to separate funding approval.

Features of the design:

- Below ground car parking
- 2 multi-purpose sports courts
- Gymnastics facilities
- PCYC Police office, youth hub, admin, staff and kitchen facilities
- Mezzanine level with multipurpose rooms and gym
- Clontarf Academy, including meeting and kitchen facilities
- Separate access into the school and for public into the PCYC



Next steps

- Commence Stage 1 works at Port Macquarie Campus.
- Finalise the detailed design for Port Macquarie Campus Stage 2 and Westport Campus Stages 1 and 2. This phase of design develops the detailed specifications for the contractor to reference during construction.
- Receive planning approvals for Westport Campus Stages 1 and 2, and Port Macquarie Campus Stages 2 and 3.

Frequently asked questions

What was the process for designing the Hastings Secondary College upgrade?

The scope of work and design for the Hastings Secondary College upgrade was developed based on a range of factors including assessment of population and enrolment data, school requirements, current trends in education and learning, existing infrastructure, available funding, as well as the size and physical constraints of the school site. Workshops were held with key stakeholders to understand current challenges and constraints and identify future requirements.

A concept design was developed that looks at the needs of the school based on the spatial requirements, data, site constraints and Educational Facilities Standards and Guidelines (EFSG). This was done in consultation with the Project Reference Group (PRG), which includes representatives from the school and school community. During the concept design phase, architects also considered the overall layout and look and feel of each campus as well as the character of the buildings to ensure the design responds to the local surrounding area and takes into consideration heritage, environmental, access, transport and other planning requirements.

The latest design phase was schematic design, where the internal layout of spaces and how they will function was finished, with more detailed consultation with representatives from the school. It is the schematic design that was submitted with development applications for the planning consents.

What happens next in the design of the Hastings Secondary College upgrade?

The final design stage is detailed design which involves working with school representatives to choose finishes, fittings and furniture for all spaces. The detailed design is developed to communicate the specifications of the required final construction and fit out to the contractor. During this design finalisation process, minor elements may change within interiors, but the overall layout and design of the upgrade remains as has been submitted as part of planning applications.

What is the status of the PCYC multi-sport facility?

There is a separate proposal for a shared use multi-sport facility in partnership with the Police Citizens Youth Clubs (PCYC) NSW.

The master plan of the Port Macquarie Campus site was developed to ensure these two projects could proceed separately and independently of each other.

The multi-sport facility (Port Macquarie Campus Stage 3) has progressed to early schematic design and has formed part of the SSD planning application for Port Macquarie Campus. However, construction of this facility is subject to separate funding approval.

What is a State Significant Development (SSD) application?

The SSD process is a planning approval pathway for projects that are considered to be of significance to the people and state of NSW. The NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) assesses and determines an SSD application. It replaces a development application that would otherwise be submitted to the local council. The approval process for a SSD is different to that of other types of development. It involves requesting the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) and then preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) in response to these requirements.

How can community have a say on the State Significant Development application?

Submissions on the SSD application for the upgrade of Hastings Secondary College – Port Macquarie Campus can be made directly to DPIE by post or online during the exhibition period. To view the application and submit comments visit the DPIE major projects website: planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/project/40801

The project will be on exhibition for 28 days from Friday 28 May 2021.

Who is being consulted in the Hastings Secondary College upgrade project?

The Project Reference Group (PRG) provides input to the design and overall project direction and includes all principals from Hastings Secondary College and parent representatives. The PRG meets throughout the project from early planning through to construction.

Staff have also been consulted through user group workshops for the design development of specific areas or buildings in the upgrade, for example CAPA staff for the design of the new CAPA building. This consultation will continue through the detailed design phase.

Throughout the project we also consult with relevant stakeholders such as the Port Macquarie Hastings Council, other NSW Government departments and technical experts.

Frequently asked questions (continued)

What about traffic and parking?

A transport assessment has been undertaken as part of the planning requirements and found there is satisfactory parking available at both campuses. There is no increase in the requirements for parking as a result of the upgrade to school facilities and learning spaces. There is no change to any drop off/pick up and signage arrangements.

The plan for the shared multi-sport facility (proposed Port Macquarie Campus Stage 3) proposes some dedicated staff parking.

As a college with two campuses, travel between the Port Macquarie and Westport campuses was assessed and measures proposed to improve the safety and efficiency of travel options through school operational changes.

Will the classrooms be air-conditioned?

All new and refurbished school learning and administration spaces will be air-conditioned.

How does the design consider the local climate and sustainability measures?

The design of the project contains a number of sustainable features including building orientation, use of natural ventilation and light, material choices, stormwater management through careful consideration of site levels and roof locations.

The external materials selected are durable and meet the requirements of the coastal location, including highly durable powder coating, stainless steel guttering and brickwork.

There are also a number of sustainable fixtures including LED lights in all facilities. Rainwater recycling tanks and solar panels will be installed on the new buildings at Port Macquarie Campus.

What are the plans for trees and plants?

At Port Macquarie Campus three trees and a cluster of five palms will be removed. These will be replaced with new trees. A number of trees will be planted that meet koala habitat requirements.

There will be no trees removed from Westport Campus. The planting strategy for the Hastings Secondary College upgrade considers native ecology and uses species both indigenous to and suitable for the local coastal and headland ecosystem.

How will construction impacts be managed?

Health and safety is our highest priority. We will be working collaboratively with the school community and neighbours to ensure that construction works will be scheduled and managed to minimise impacts to the community where possible. Neighbours who may be potentially impacted by construction works, including any work conducted outside of approved hours, will receive a works notification providing advance notice.

How will school functions operate during construction?

The project and its construction has been designed to ensure there is minimal impact on the school, including any school functions that may be held during this time. There will be regular consultation with the school to discuss any functions that may operate, and measures will be put in place to minimise the impacts of construction.

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