NSW Department of Education – School Infrastructure

Hastings Secondary College

Works notification

25 November 2020

Dear parents and carers,

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

SEARs lodgement

As part of the State Significant Development (SSD) application for stage 2 and 3 of the upgrade (see map on page 4) at the Port Macquarie Campus, a Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) request will soon be lodged with the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE). DPIE will assess and advise the project team on the studies that need to be included as part of the main development application.

After the SSD application is lodged with DPIE in early 2021, it will be placed on public exhibition allowing the community and other stakeholders to make comments. We will keep you informed through project updates and the project page on the School Infrastructure NSW website.

Installation of temporary demountable units at the Port Macquarie Campus

The project team has been working with the Hastings Secondary College Principals to minimise impacts to the school community during Stage 1 construction.

Early works at the Port Macquarie Campus are set to commence in late 2020, with demolition of building C and the Technology and Applied Science (TAS) building, and internal demolition of building T.

To ensure there is no disruption to learning during works in 2021, temporary demountable units will be placed on the sports oval on the corner of Burrawan and Owen Streets. This includes the relocation of two existing demountable units currently located near building T to the sports oval.

Works to prepare the foundations on the site will start from late November 2020. The demountable units will be installed from early December 2020.

The design team are continuing to work with Hastings Secondary College to develop the schematic designs for Stage 1 at the Port Macquarie Campus which includes construction of a new TAS building and refurbishment of building T.



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Book-in information sessions

We will be hosting information sessions at the Port Macquarie and Westport Campuses where you can learn about the project and what it will deliver, the planning approval pathways, meet members of our team and ask questions.

Bookings will be available for 30 minute allocations. Limited numbers will be available per booking to ensure current social distancing measures can be followed.

Information session details:

Port Macquarie Campus: Tuesday 1 December 2020, 4:00pm-6:30pm Westport Campus: Wednesday 2 December 2020, 4:00pm-6:30pm



To book in a session please scan the QR code or visit the project's web page: schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au/projects/h/hastings-secondary-college-port-macquarie-campus-upgrade.html

How can I get involved?

We are committed to working together with our school communities and other stakeholders to deliver the best possible learning facilities for students. Your feedback on this project is important to us. For more information, questions or to make a comment please email us at schoolinfrastructure@det.nsw.edu.au.

Frequently asked questions

Why is the project moving ahead with demolition prior to schematic designs?

Demolition work is part of the early works package. To ensure the project is delivered in a timely manner demolition work is now required to start. The project team is working closely with the Hastings Secondary College Principals to minimise disruption to the school community during construction. The project will be delivered in stages across both campuses. This means that the design and planning pathways will also be rolled out in stages.

When will the demolition works start?

Feedback received from the Hastings Secondary College Principals support the commencement of demolition works during the school summer holidays as this benefits the school community by minimising impacts.

Why are demountable classrooms being installed at the Port Macquarie Campus?

Demountable units are being installed to enable students to remain on the Campus during the upgrade works. This will provide the minimal amount of disruption to student learning and school operations.

Where will the demountable units be located?

On the oval on the corner of Burrawan Street and Owen Street (see map on page 4).

When will work to install the demountable units start?

Works to prepare the area for demountable units will start late November 2020. The demountable units will be installed early December 2020. This will allow equipment and resources to be relocated from the buildings prior to demolition.



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When will students move out of the two demountable units next to building T?

The two demountable units will relocated in early December 2020 to ensure they are appropriately distanced from the construction area. The school is working closely with the students in these classrooms to manage and support the transition to new learning spaces for the remainder of Term 4. The same classes will occupy the relocated demountable units in 2021.

What steps will you take to ensure the safety of the school community?

Health and safety is our highest priority. We are working collaboratively with the school and contractor to ensure that construction works are undertaken to meet the Work, Health and Safety requirements.

The demountable unit construction area will be fenced off from 30 November 2020. Students and staff will not be allowed to enter the fenced construction site.

What are the construction working hours?

Works will take place from 7:00am to 6:00pm, Mondays to Saturdays. No work will take place on Sundays or public holidays, unless otherwise notified. The community will be kept informed of any changes to the approved working hours.

When will be the demountable facilities be ready for use by students and staff? Day 1 Term 1 2021.

What school facilities will be accommodated in the demountable buildings?

The temporary facilities will provide general learning spaces, specialist TAS workshops, a staff area and toilet facilities (see map on page 4).

Will students need to travel between campuses to access specialist learning spaces?

No, the demountable classrooms will provide facilities for specialist TAS workshops at the Port Macquarie Campus,

Did you consult with the school on the demountable facilities?

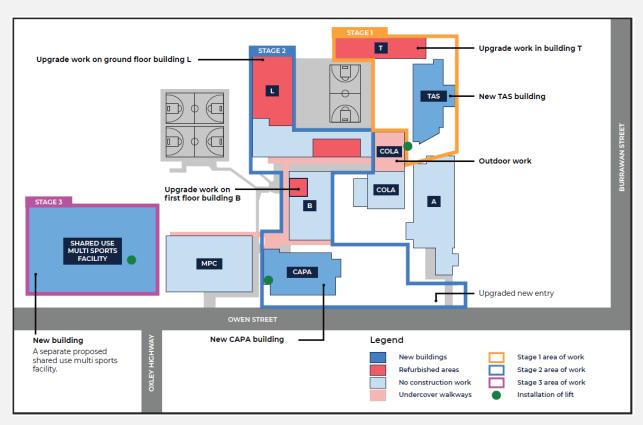
Yes, we have worked closely with the Hastings Secondary College Principals to understand the school's operational requirements to support student learning and minimise disruption to the school community during construction.

With the demountable units on the oval what impact does that have on the school's access to green spaces?

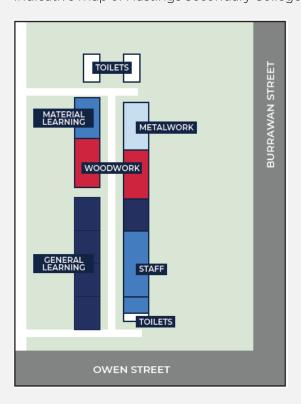
The sports oval will be out of bounds at the end of Term 4 while the work to install the demountable units takes place. Hastings Secondary College is working with Port Macquarie-Hastings Council to ensure continued access to Oxley Oval as an alternative green space.

How will traffic be managed during the demountable unit installation?

Traffic controllers will be used on site to assist with traffic movements to minimise traffic congestion and community impact where necessary. Vehicles entering, exiting and driving around the site will give way to pedestrians at all times.



Indicative map of Hastings Secondary College, Port Macquarie Campus proposed construction stages.



Indicative layout of demountable units at the Port Macquarie Campus

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