

Hurlstone Agricultural High School

Frequently Asked Questions | 25 Oct 2023

Integrated sport timetable in 2024

How does this help satisfy DoE policy requirements?

Under the NSW Department of Education's policy requirements, schools are required to ensure students participate in 150 minutes of physical activity across the school week. This time includes planned weekly sport - but also includes practical PDHPE lessons and whole school sports carnivals.

The integrated sport model still exceeds this requirement.

There will be no change to the number of teaching periods (80 minute lessons) per week, in line with the course hours mandated by the department and the NSW Education Standards Authority.

Where will our sports ovals be in 2024?

There will be no change for the school during 2024 – the school will retain full access to its existing sports oval.

This is possible as the NSW Department of Education has reached an agreement with Landcom to leaseback our sports oval during 2024.

Why move to integrated sport in 2024 if we will still have the ovals?

The move will allow the school to prepare for changes to the overall layout of the school site as part of the school upgrade project.

It also allows us time to: relocate equipment; establish new sports sheds and an outdoor learning area; and review sport options for 2025.

Where will our sports ovals be located from 2025 onwards?

A detailed plan for where our school sports oval will be located from 2025 onwards is being developed as part of a phased transition. Several options are being considered.

The school is working closely with the department to develop and assess these options and help ensure the needs of the school community are met.

What impacts will this change have on students?

The NSW Department of Education has a transition plan in place to manage change resulting from the relocation of our sports facilities.



School operations and student learning will not be impacted. While the transition to new facilities requires change, the department is committed to ensuring there are no major impacts to the school or students.

What will be built on the land where the existing sports ovals are situated?

In 2021, the NSW Government rezoned the land as part of the Glenfield Place Strategy. Amongst other purposes, the land will be used to construct up to new residential dwellings.

Further information about the Glenfield Place Strategy can be found on the NSW Government Planning website: <https://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/plans-for-your-area/priority-growth-areas-and-precincts/glenfield>

Why is this change happening?

The school is making this timetable change to support the significant school upgrade presently underway, providing us with new boarding facilities and a new farm hub.

As the NSW Government announced in 2019, the land our existing school ovals are situated on is being sold (“divested”) to Landcom as part of the project.

The land divestment is scheduled to take place on 31 January 2024. After this date, the land will not be owned by the Department of Education.

Why have the sports ovals been divested?

In 2019, the NSW Government made the decision as part of the business case for the upgrade of Hurlstone Agricultural High School.

The project forms one part of the NSW Government’s model for agricultural education, ensuring Hurlstone Agricultural High School will continue its reputation for excellence.

How can I find out more?

For any questions about the timetable change, please contact the school at hurlstone-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au or (02) 9829 9222.

For any questions about the sports oval relocation, please contact School Infrastructure NSW (SINSW) on schoolinfrastructure@det.nsw.edu.au or 1300 482 651.

In Week 9, we’ll also be hosting community information sessions, where you can meet the project team, learn about the project, discuss project progress, and share feedback.

