NSW Department of Education – School Infrastructure



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Project update

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Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is investing \$8.6 billion in school infrastructure over the next four years, continuing its program to deliver 160 new and upgraded schools to support communities across NSW. This builds on the more than \$9.1 billion invested in projects delivered since 2017, a program of \$17.7 billion in public education infrastructure.

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.

Project overview

Meadowbank Public School and Marsden High School have successfully relocated to their new home at the Meadowbank Education Precinct. Side by side, the schools will form a connected education community, supporting students within the one precinct throughout their school years and beyond. The new school facilities cater for 1000 primary school students, 1500 secondary school students and a further 120 Intensive English Centre students.

Access and Amenity

The Public Domain improvement works are being delivered to help teachers, students, and visitors safely access the new school buildings, as well as improve local amenity. The safety of students, school staff and the local community is the highest priority.

As part of the Public Domain Works in the local area, planning is underway to build a footpath along the western side of Hermitage Road between the Sydney Water driveway and Rhodes Street. Safe access for students to the new schools will be provided with traffic controllers in place until the works are complete. After inground services investigations and geotechnical works were completed earlier in the year, the project team is currently liaising with the relevant authorities (including Ausgrid, Sydney Water and Telstra) in relation to their assets and the design for the new footpath. The community will be kept informed as we progress towards construction of the footpath.

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Further Public Domain Works include an additional pedestrian crossing to be installed to assist with safe passage for students, teachers and local community to access the schools. The location for this crossing is on Mellor Street as identified in consultation with the school community, the City of Ryde Council and the NSW Police Force. The concept design for this crossing is currently being developed in consultation with Council.

As part of the Public Domain improvement works, the project is seeking to install additional lighting at the See Street crossing and the proposed crossing on Mellor Street. These works are being progressed in collaboration with The City of Ryde Council and Ausgrid. The community will be kept informed as we progress towards installation of the lighting, once approval is received.

Repurposing the former school sites

Planning is underway to deliver a multi-sports community facility at the site of the former Marsden High School now that the school has relocated to the Meadowbank Education and Employment Precinct. Subject to planning approval the project will deliver a new 5,000sqm indoor courts facility with 4 multipurpose courts, 32 outdoor netball courts, landscaping and communal outdoor areas, and car and bicycle parking.

Work on the detailed design for the West Ryde Multi-Sports Facility is underway. The design is being developed following close consultation with City of Ryde Council, Department of Education and technical stakeholders. Work to prepare the site and start demolition is underway. For more information please visit the project webpage edu.nsw.link/WestRydeMSF.

The former site of Meadowbank Public School at Thistle Street, Ryde is also being repurposed. Early planning is underway to develop the site into new public open space, which will provide local residents and visitors with more access to quality green recreational outdoor areas. More information about this project can be found on the project webpage <u>edu.nsw.link/MPSOpenSpace</u>.

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