



Artist impression of the Samuel Gilbert Public School upgrade

Samuel Gilbert Public School

Project update

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Investing in our schools

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.

Project overview

A project is underway to upgrade Samuel Gilbert Public School. The project will deliver:

- 25 additional new permanent learning spaces
- a new library
- a new hall (with separate access for community use)
- new staff and administration facilities
- creation of a new connection to the existing campus
- removal of demountable classrooms.

Progress summary

Building works are progressing well. The main new buildings (Blocks N and P) have had all three levels of concrete slabs poured. Stairs and structural walls have also been finished. Installation of the roof's structural steel and sheeting has started.

Next steps

Over the summer break the contractor will continue the construction works. Works to be completed over the summer break include:

- finishing the structure and roofing of Blocks N and P
- continue with the internal fit out works for Blocks N and P
- continue in ground excavation, install services and build the structural framework for the new hall.

For more information contact:

School Infrastructure NSW
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www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au

Frequently asked questions

When will construction be completed?

The project is expected to be completed in early 2022.

What safety measures will be in place?

The safety of the school's students, staff and the local community is our highest priority.

Construction planning has been designed so there is minimal impact on school operations. Safety measures such as hoardings, signage and separate access points are in place to ensure students are not able to enter the construction site.

To minimise disruption to school operations and activities, site deliveries are being scheduled outside of school drop off and pick up times and traffic control personnel are on site to assist with contractor deliveries.

What steps will be taken to control noise and dust impacts?

Noise and dust control measures will be implemented in accordance with planning approval requirements. Hoarding, secure fencing and shade cloth have been erected to reduce noise and dust impacts on the school and local residents. Dust from construction works will be hosed down as required.

How will traffic be managed?

Traffic management will be in place where required for the safety of students, staff, the local community and workers.

Traffic controllers will be used where required to manage entry and exit of vehicles to and from the construction site. Vehicles will give way to pedestrians at all times.

What are the scheduled working hours?

Weekend work hours will be changing. In line with the NSW Environmental Planning and Assessment (COVID-19 Development – Construction Work Days) Order 2020, School Infrastructure NSW construction sites can now operate on weekends and public holidays during the COVID-19 pandemic. This is to allow workers to abide by social distancing rules while on construction sites by distributing building work across the entire week.

Construction will take place between 7.00am and 6.00pm Monday to Friday. On Saturdays and Sundays, if necessary, work will be carried out on site from 7.00am to 6.00pm.

How will you minimise disruption to normal school operations during construction?

School Infrastructure NSW is working closely with the principal and staff to ensure that school operations continue with minimal disruption.

How can we remain updated about the upgrade?

We will continue to share project updates and information as the project progresses. You can visit the project's web page to stay up to date with progress: www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au/projects/s/samuel-gilbert-public-school.html

Has access to Samuel Gilbert Public School changed?

The below changes will remain in place during construction:

- current main pedestrian entrance off Ridgescrop Drive is closed
- a temporary footpath has been installed adjacent to the school driveway for pedestrians to enter the school off Ridgescrop Drive
- until further notice, all other access points will remain the same during construction for pedestrians and vehicles.

Who can I contact if I have a concern about construction work over the holidays?

If you have any queries or concerns about this project you can contact School Infrastructure NSW during business hours on 1300 482 651.

School Infrastructure NSW will be closed from 5pm Thursday 24 December, to 9am Monday 11 January inclusive.

In an emergency, call triple zero (000).

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