## Seven Hills High School upgrade

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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.

## **Project overview**

Planning is continuing for an upgrade of Seven Hills High School to provide new specialist vocational education and training (VET) facilities as part of the NSW Government Vocational Schools Initiative.

The proposed vocational facilities will primarily focus on three industry areas:



Community and health services



Construction (Electrotechnology and Plumbing)





# Vocational schools initiative

Seven Hills High School will receive industry standard training facilities and support to provide innovative curriculum pathways and options as part of a pilot program. The Vocational Schools Initiative is based on a model where vocational education and training is delivered through a combination of schoolimplemented courses and partnerships with TAFE NSW, industry associations and private training providers.

The initiative will provide access to specialist vocational education and training facilities which will allow students to engage in learning that builds vocational skills and facilitates pathways to apprenticeships, traineeships and trade qualifications, as well as pathways to higher education.

Purpose built facilities and vocational courses will allow students to receive industry-standard training onsite and develop the skills required to pursue careers in: Community and Health Services, Construction (Electrotechnology and Plumbing), and Transport, Logistics & Warehousing.

In addition to these core areas, students may have the opportunity to incorporate relevant complementary vocational courses, in areas such as business, financial and retail services, and information, digital media and technology into their studies.

## **Progress summary**

In August 2020 the NSW Government announced that Seven Hills High School would receive a vocational schools upgrade.

Our architects and planners have finalised a concept design for the provision of the new vocational education and training facilities. The concept design was developed in consultation with the school and Department of Education leadership representatives. The facilities required to deliver industry standard courses have been identified and included in the concept design.

### Next steps

#### Design

The schematic and detailed design for the new vocational education and training facilities will be developed. This includes selection of fixtures, fittings and furniture.

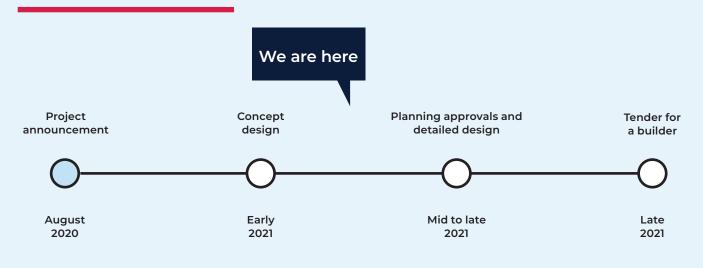
#### Statutory planning

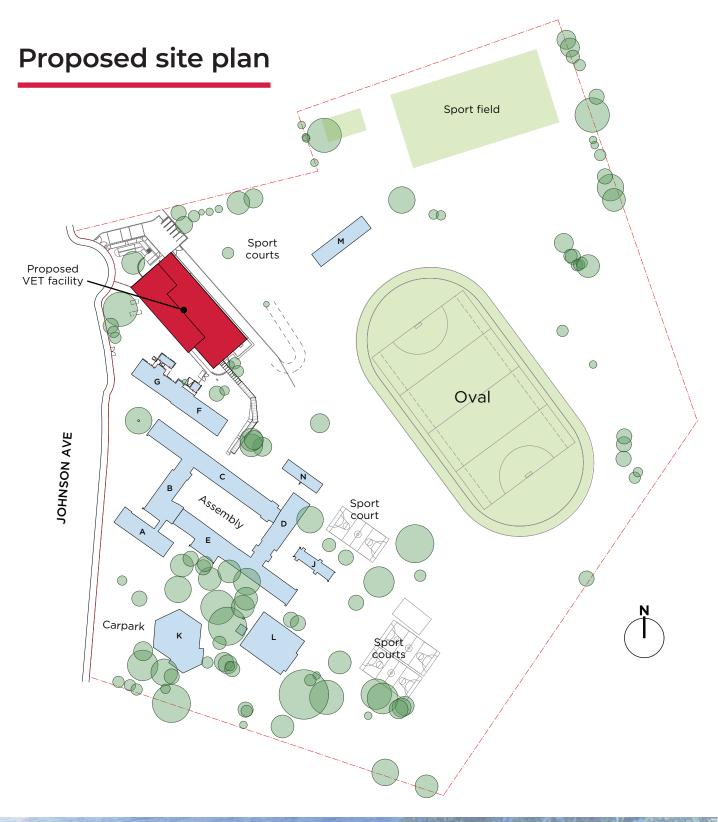
A Development Application (DA) for the school upgrade will be lodged with Blacktown City Council in mid-2021.

#### Construction

Construction will start once the development has received planning approval and a builder has been appointed.

## **Project timeline**







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## Stay informed

We are committed to working together with our school communities and other stakeholders to deliver the best possible learning facilities for students.

To stay up to date with opportunities for school communities to get involved in the project, visit the Seven Hills High School project page on the School Infrastructure NSW website.

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