Wee Waa High School Project update | December 2024



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As part of the NSW Government's plan to rebuild public education, the 2024-25 Budget is delivering record education funding, including \$1.4 billion for new and upgraded schools in regional NSW. This targeted investment will ensure growing communities get access to a world class public education.

Project overview

The project to redevelop Wee Waa High School has delivered new classrooms, core facilities, including a library, canteen and multipurpose hall, a new agricultural and environment centre, sports fields and sports courts, as well as a new Indigenous Cultural Centre. The project will also provide upgrades to the school's agricultural grounds located in Purcell Avenue.

Progress summary

Throughout Term 4, students have been learning from their new facilities while external works to complete the sports field were finished.

School holiday works - Defects repair

Some defects have been identified at Wee Waa High School requiring the return of contractors to address these problems. Throughout November, following heavy rain, water leaking in the school's library was identified.

As a precaution, the library was closed to students and staff and all books were removed.

The building contractor was informed of the leaks immediately and found that the cause was a faulty window seal as well as incorrect roof flashing detail.

Further works to assess and repair any damage in the roof space and façade have begun and will be ongoing during the summer school holidays.

Independent hygienists have begun assessing the building following the water ingress and will develop a remediation plan if the presence of mould is confirmed.



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The library will be reopened to students and staff once a clearance certificate has been issued by the hygienist.

We expect these works will be completed for the start of the school year in 2025.

Next steps - Agricultural site at Purcell Avenue and shade structure installation

The construction contract to upgrade the school's agricultural site on Purcell Avenue has been awarded to Shay Brennan Constructions Pty Ltd. With the contractor now on board a works programme has been developed and preparations for work starting has begun.

Works will continue during the summer school holidays and expected to be completed in early 2025, pending weather conditions.

A construction contract to install a shade structure at the new high school site has been awarded to Tyecon Pty Ltd, a registered Aboriginal business and regional builder who will be working to fabricate the structure and install it in Term 1 2025.

Next steps - Demolition of the existing school buildings

We are finalising the documentation required to procure a demolition contractor to undertake demolition of the existing buildings at the old high school. We expect to release the tender for these works early next year and conduct the works by the middle of 2025.

The community will be notified once the contractor is on board and timelines for demolition starting.

Thank you for your patience while we deliver this important project for the community.

More information



You can find more information about the project at <u>edu.nsw.link/WeeWaaHS-Update-</u> September or by scanning the QR code

If you have any questions about this project, you can contact School Infrastructure during business hours on the contact details below.

