



Artist impression of the new high school

Wentworth Point new high school

Formerly 'Sydney Olympic Park new high school'

Project update

June 2022

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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 new high school is being developed to cater for the growing population in the Wentworth Point, Sydney Olympic Park and Concord West communities. The site is part of 7-11 Burroway Road, Wentworth Point.

The high school will have flexible teaching and learning spaces for approximately 1,500 students as well as a multi-purpose hall for sports and performance, outdoor spaces including landscaped recreation areas and games courts, and canteen facilities.

Progress summary

The project has been renamed 'Wentworth Point new high school'. This is not the final name of the school. A separate consultation process will occur in conjunction with the community to determine the school name.

An amended planning report outlining how the school will be delivered has been lodged with the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) and is now on public exhibition via the DPE planning portal: pp.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/project/40751.

All comments on the submission should be made directly to DPE until the exhibition period ends Wednesday 6 July 2022.

A community information session was held in person on Wednesday 1 June to provide an update on the project and information about the amended planning submission. Community members had the opportunity to ask questions of the project team and school operations team ahead of the exhibition of the amendment to the SSD. All materials from the session are available online on the project webpage 'Library' tab at edu.nsw.link/SOPHS.

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What we heard from the community

It was great to meet so many parents and community members to talk about this new school for their community. The Information Boards, FAQs and Project Update published on our website answer most of those questions in more detail, but we have provided some key information below regarding the common themes raised at the session.

What you asked about	Response
Enrolment intake area and timing	Changes are made to accommodate a new school into the local network. The intake area will be determined approximately a year before the school opening to ensure adequate time for enrolment.
Student numbers at the school	As is normal for all new high schools, the school will open in a staggered way, starting with either Year 7 or Year 7 and 8. Each subsequent year will welcome a new cohort of Year 7 students. The full student capacity of the school will not be reached for a number of years.
Support unit classes	It is anticipated the new high school will have 5 support unit classes. A student is offered enrolment in a specialist support class in mainstream school through a placement panel process. A student's eligibility is determined through the Department's disability criteria as well as the availability of a place in an appropriate specialist support class. More information can be found on the Department of Education website: edu.nsw.link/support-classes .
Adequate play space for students	When the school opens for the Year 7 or Year 7 and 8 cohorts, the play space per student will be adequate to meet Educational Facilities and Standards Guidelines. As the student numbers grow over the years, their play space needs will be met by the provision of the playing field to the north.
Playing field	The playing field is part of a separate approval process by Landcom and will be subject to a Joint Use Agreement. The school is expected to have access to the future playing field to the north during school hours. If the playing field is not complete in time for the school opening, an arrangement for students to access outdoor recreation off-site will be made. The playing field will be available for community use outside school hours, including all school holidays, public holidays and weekends.
Shared community spaces	The design of the school has considered future community use and access to school facilities such as the multipurpose hall and related change rooms and amenities. These facilities are at the northern end of the school, facing the playing field. This allows for secure community access for special events outside school hours, under separate shared use arrangements.
Construction completion	The expected completion dates are subject to final planning approval and the confirmation of a construction program. We expect to have more details of the construction program later this year once final SSD approval is granted.

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Traffic and transport	<p>The proposal is expected to reduce private vehicle trips and replace them with more sustainable and efficient modes so that students will be able to walk or utilise the area’s multiple public transport options. While vehicle movements directly related to the use of kiss-and-ride will increase frequency on Burroway Road, the traffic modelling for the school indicates a decrease in traffic movements in the local road network.</p> <p>The project submitted a detailed Transport Access Impact Assessment as part of the Environmental Impact Statement for the SSD application, as well as a Traffic Letter as part of the Response to Submissions report.</p>
Proposed roundabout to T-Intersection on Burroway Road	<p>The proposed T-Intersection suggested for phase 2 of the construction of the new high school is being reviewed alongside other traffic and transport measures for the area including both the new high school and Wentworth Point Public School.</p>
Site selection	<p>The site at Burroway Road in Wentworth Point was announced in November 2020, following a comprehensive site search and due diligence. The school is being built for the Wentworth Point community and surrounds, with the majority of expected students already living in the Peninsula.</p>
Street litter and waste collection	<p>The school will be provided with appropriate bins and adequate waste collection services to remove waste streams from the site. It is expected that a general waste, recyclable, and paper recycling will be available for the site.</p>
Privacy for nearby buildings	<p>The proposal seeks to provide a healthy, safe learning environment for all students, promoting active lifestyles, social cohesion, privacy and security at all times. The arrangement of the two teaching wings creates a protected courtyard, ensuring privacy from the tall residential towers overlooking the site, and separating the play space and walkways from the public roads.</p>

Please note: The above outlines only the most commonly asked questions at the recent information session.

Detailed information about the project, including FAQs, can be found in the 'Library' tab on the project website: edu.nsw.link/SOPHS.

Next steps

- After the public exhibition concludes, DPE will request a Response to Submissions report, which provides an opportunity for the project team to respond to submissions made during the public exhibition of the amendment to the SSD application. When lodged with DPE, the report will be published on the planning portal: pp.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/project/40751.
- DPE will complete their assessment of the planning application.
- Project signage and shade cloth will be installed on the high school site.
- Main works contract will be awarded.
- Following planning approval, main construction works will begin. As we prepare for establishment onsite and works to start, we will update the community on how we will manage and mitigate impacts of construction.



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