# NSW Department of Education - School Infrastructure



# **Wentworth Point Schools**

# Project update | February 2023

## **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.

# Wentworth Point Public School upgrade - Stage 2

## **Project overview**

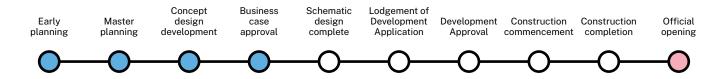
A project to upgrade Wentworth Point Public School is in planning. The upgrade will include additional modern, fit for purpose permanent teaching spaces to meet growing enrolment demand in the area. The library will be reconfigured to better suit the needs of the school, with open space maximised and improved and the temporary demountables will be removed.

#### **Progress update**

- The business case has been approved by NSW Treasury. This means the funds have been released to complete the project.
- A masterplan for the school upgrade was shared in our December project update. This can be viewed on our website: edu.nsw.link/WPPS.

#### Next steps

 Ongoing development of the design in consultation with representatives from the Department of Education, Wentworth Point Public School, architects, planners and design professionals. This includes reviewing the layout and design of the current library.



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# Wentworth Point new high school

#### **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 school will be located on 7 Burroway Road, Wentworth Point. The completed high school will have flexible teaching and learning spaces for approximately 1,500 students as well as a multipurpose hall for sports and performance, outdoor spaces including landscaped recreation areas, games courts and canteen facilities.

#### **Progress update**

- Piling works to prepare the foundations of the buildings are progressing. This includes bulk excavation, installation of retaining walls, lift pits and drainage pits.
- An electrical pole was recently removed from site by Ausgrid.

### **Next steps**

- Crane delivery and erection, and pouring of the concrete foundation slab.
- Formal school naming process in consultation with the community in 2023.
- Once the City of Parramatta has approved the Transport for NSW modification to change the location of Ridge Road to allow for new playing fields, a State Significant Development modification will be submitted to the NSW Department of Planning and Environment for Phase 2 of the high school.

#### **Tower crane**

- The project will use 2 tower cranes for the movement of materials around the site.
- Our Tower crane will be 40m high and have a 75m 'lifting arm' (called a jib).
- We are using a M390D model crane which is strong enough to pick up 16 tonnes - or a school bus.

## Frequently asked questions

## When will the school open and with what year groups?

The school is expected to open for Day 1 Term 1 in 2025 for Year 7 only. A new cohort of Year 7 students will commence each vear thereafter.

#### When will enrolments start?

Enrolments will begin once a Principal has been announced. Enrolments are anticipated to commence in early 2024.

#### When will the Principal and teaching positions be advertised?

The Principal will be appointed 12 months before the opening of the school. It is likely the position will be advertised in Term 4 2023. After the appointment of the Principal, some leadership positions will be advertised. The remaining teaching positions at the school will be advertised as per normal staffing vacancies once enrolment numbers are determined.

## Will construction be complete before the school opens in 2025?

Construction started in October 2022 and is expected to be complete by late 2024. This is subject to the modification to move Ridge Road to be delivered by Landcom, and the outcome of further planning approvals.

### What happens after the modification by Landcom is approved?

Once this is approved, we will submit an appropriate planning application that will allow us to commence construction on the hall and playing courts. We will continue to update the community as this progresses.



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