

# Yanco Agricultural High School

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Artist impression of the new female accommodation facility

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 includes an upgrade of Yanco Agricultural High School boarding facilities to ensure they are fit for purpose for current and future students.

The upgrade will support high quality educational outcomes to meet the needs of students within the local community and deliver:



**New fit for purpose permanent female boarding facilities**



**Minor refurbishments and improvements to existing boarding facilities**



**Removal of temporary female dormitories**



**Increased equity of access for quality of education for rural and regional students**

Further details about the accommodation facilities will be shared with the community as the project progresses.

# Project overview

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We have completed the schematic design of the boarding facilities at Yanco Agricultural High School, the third of 4 design stages. Schematic design involves addressing space, scale and constructability to move the project into design development and eventually construction.

Throughout the early design phases, feedback from project stakeholders and school representatives were brought together with input from architects, consultants and the department's technical stakeholder group to ensure the design of the school reflects best practice and meets Educational Facilities Standards and Guidelines (EFSG).

## New and upgraded accommodation facilities

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The new permanent accommodation facilities will replace female boarding accommodation in temporary buildings at Yanco Agricultural High School.

The new female boarding facilities include:

- 2-storey building with 86 beds
- single bed and 5 bed dormitories
- equitable living
- private courtyard
- 2 key staff residences
- 2 spacious common rooms on each floor
- amenities and laundry spaces
- storage.

The partial refurbishment of existing permanent boarding accommodation facilities will include:

- enlarged Level 1 common room at the Mutch Building for greater natural light
- conversion of dorm to 7 bed dorms in both Gardner and Breakwell Buildings
- improved ground access to Hindmarsh building and Level 1 and Level 2 building improvements
- minor building improvements of the Mason building.



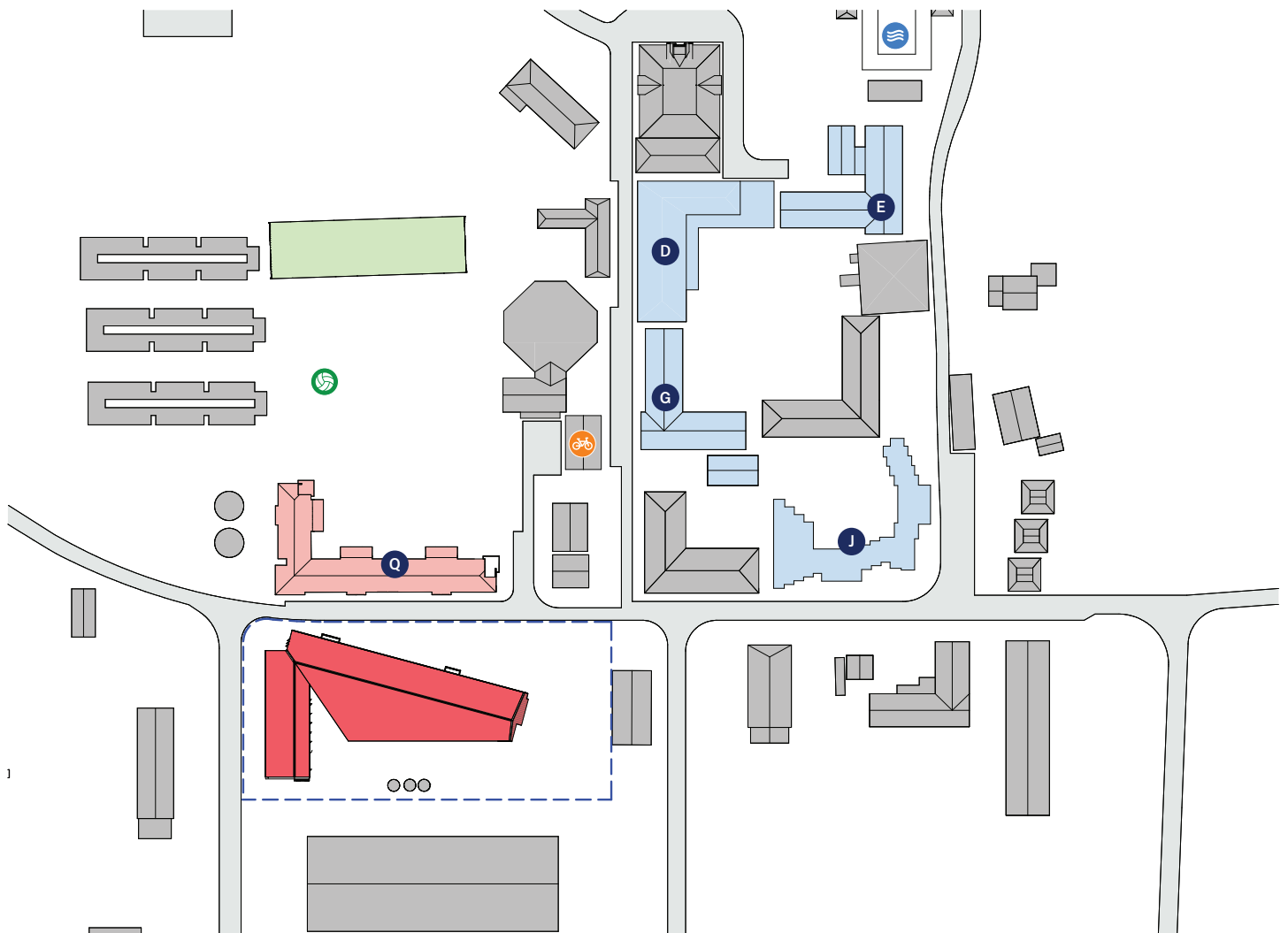
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# Site plan













The site plans have been developed in consultation with the school and best reflects the needs of the high school based on the spatial requirements, data, site constraints and the department's EFSC.

The new female accommodation facility has been positioned to maximise opportunities for indoor and outdoor leisure spaces, improve accessibility and preserve heritage aspects, trees and birdlife.

A staging plan will be finalised upon the appointment of the head contractor to minimise learning and teaching disruption.



## LEGEND

	New female accommodation facility		D Mutch		J Hindmarsh		Tennis and netball courts
	Upgraded male dormitory building		E Gardiner		Q Mason		Pool
	Upgraded female dormitory building		G Brakewell		Covered outdoor play area		Bicycle storage

## Timeline



## Next steps

The Development Application (DA) for the Yanco Agricultural High School upgrade has been lodged with Leeton Shire Council and will soon be available to view on the Council website via [development online services](#).

Demountable removal will start soon after DA approval which will involve:

- removal of Edis, Gosper, Hilton, Hyatt temporary boarding facilities
- removal of Villages 1, 2 and 3 demountables, a house and carport demountables.

## Frequently asked questions

### What is the statutory planning approval process?

School Infrastructure NSW requires development approval to build the upgrades at Yanco Agricultural High School. The formal process of gaining this approval is called the statutory planning approval process. Leeton Shire Council is responsible for the assessment and determination of the Development Application.

### What is a Development Application?

A Development Application (DA) is a process to acquire statutory approval from the local council for construction activities to occur.

### When will the demountables be removed?

The demountables will be removed after we receive DA approval.

### How will the upgrade affect student supervision?

The accommodation facilities upgrade focuses on improving overall management, social interaction and supervision of students. The proposal was developed in consultation with key NSW Department of Education staff. Student and staff wellbeing and safety have been and will continue to be, a priority consideration. The new female accommodation facility will include two residential apartments for staff duty and board supervision.

### What safety measures will be in place?

The health and safety of our students and staff are our highest priority. Fencing will be in place around demountables before these are demolished to secure the area and prevent public access. This will remain in place until the construction of the new female accommodation facilities is complete. Work on the permanent boarding accommodation facilities will be planned during the school holidays.

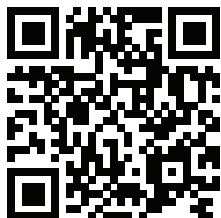
### What steps will be taken to control noise and dust?

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

### How will the school community be kept up to date?

Works notifications and project updates will be shared with the community to inform on construction progress and before any disruptive construction works.

All information will be posted on the School Infrastructure website at [edu.nsw.link/YAHS](https://edu.nsw.link/YAHS) or by scanning the QR code below.



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