

The Glenfield Educational Precinct – FAQs

Q1 What will happen to the heritage features of the current site?

The upgrade to the high school at Glenfield will ensure that all heritage features of the existing buildings, including Clarke House are maintained.

Q2 Will the ANZAC Memorial Forest be maintained?

The Memorial Forest will be maintained at its current site in Glenfield.

Q3 What about upgrades to the Glenfield site made as a result of the recent review?

All current teaching and learning facilities will be maintained and/or upgraded.

Q4 How much money does the department expect to raise from the sale of the surplus land?

The money raised will be determined by the market. The department will be investing more than \$65 million in a new Hurlstone Agriculture High School at Hawkesbury and upgrades to the 3 schools for specific purposes and the secondary school on the Glenfield site. Any additional funds raised will be directed towards upgrading schools in West and South Western Sydney.

Q5 Will the name of the school change?

The new school at Hawkesbury will be called Hurlstone Agriculture High School. The name of the academically selective high school at Glenfield will be determined following community consultation.

Q6 When will boarding at Glenfield end?

Boarding intake into Year 7 in 2016 will remain as is. In 2017 Year 7 boarders will be drawn only from non-metropolitan areas. Boarding will continue at the current Glenfield site until 2022. From 2020, when boarding commences at the Hawkesbury site, students boarding at the Glenfield site will be allowed to transfer to the new site should they and their families wish to do so.

Q7 In the period between when the school is closed and the new school opens what are the options for regional parents who want to send their students to boarding schools?

In addition to the existing Glenfield site, which will cater for boarders until 2022 and the new Hawkesbury site which will provide for boarding from 2020, the department has two additional boarding school options for students from regional areas, Yanco and Farrer Colleges. Parents wishing to send their children to boarding schools can continue to apply to those schools.

Q8 Why does this new school need to be selective when Macquarie Fields High school already offers a selective option?

There is clear need for maintaining at least the current levels of academically selective places in South Western Sydney. As the population increases over coming years we imagine competition for these places will increase. There are a number of excellent comprehensive high schools in nearby suburbs that local students can continue to access.