

Richmond River High Campus

Project update | November 2024

Image caption: Artist's impression of campus entry
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Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is committed to rebuilding flood affected schools in the Northern Rivers region, ensuring we build back better with flood resilient schools for local students and local communities.

Project overview

As part of this commitment a project is underway to rebuild The Rivers Secondary College Richmond River High Campus (RRHC) after it was extensively damaged by floods in 2022.

The new, more flood resilient campus will be relocated to a new site at North Lismore and deliver:



Modern classrooms and specialist learning spaces



New library, multipurpose hall and performance space



Agricultural and sporting facilities



A campus that is connected to Bundjalung Country

Progress update

- The department has purchased land for the new school site along Dunoon Road. The process for rezoning the land to allow for a new educational facility is underway.
- Concept designs for the new campus facilities were shared with the College and community on 22 August 2024. Thank you to everyone who attended. You can see the proposed school designs on the [Richmond River High Campus flood recovery project page](#).



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- As part of ongoing consultation, a Walk on Country was held on the new school site on 23 August 2024 to allow the new school campus design and operations to appropriately reflect Bundjalung cultural heritage.
- As part of ongoing due diligence investigations, site based Aboriginal cultural heritage, geotechnical, contamination and hazardous materials activities were undertaken in September and October to provide more information about the new school site. These activities will inform our planning application.
- We are continuing to develop the campus designs and landscaping in consultation with the Project Reference Group. This includes internal layouts of the school spaces. The Project Reference Group met on 7 November 2024.

Next steps

Once we have a sufficient level of design and completed the required information, we will submit a planning application to rebuild Richmond River High Campus on the new school site.

The tender for construction will be out shortly. Once a contractor is appointed, the detailed designs, including internal and external finishes, will be completed and shared with the community.

Students will continue learning from their temporary school facilities until their school is rebuilt. Agriculture students will continue using the agricultural facilities on the Lake Street school site while their new facilities are completed.

More information



You can find more information about the project at edu.nsw.link/RichmondRiverHC or by scanning the QR code.

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