

15 June 2022

## **School Intake Areas in Queanbeyan School Network have been finalised**

Dear families

In March 2022, the Department of Education proposed changes to the intake areas for schools in the Queanbeyan Network. These changes were necessary to incorporate the three new schools in the area that are due to operate from 2023.

The Department has considered all feedback received during recent consultation and has determined that the following amendments will be made to the changes published on 24 March 2022:

- **Jerrabomberra Public School:**
  - Jerrabomberra Heights will remain in the intake area as per the zoning reversal announcement on 14 April 2022
  - South Jerrabomberra will be included in the intake area
- **Jerrabomberra High School:**
  - Intake areas will align with Jerrabomberra Public School. South Jerrabomberra and Jerrabomberra Heights will be included in the intake area.
- **Bungendore High School:**
  - All residences with an address of Mt Fairy Road will be designated to Bungendore High School.
  - Intake area to include addresses on Tarago-Bungendore Road to Collector Road, Taylors Creek Road to Western Leg Road.

The changes have been made after careful consideration of relevant demographic data, travel and enrolment patterns and on the balance of feedback received.

The updated intake areas will be available on the **School Finder website from Thursday 16 June**.

We thank the community for providing feedback and your patience while the final intake areas were determined.

### **Enrolling in your local school**

The new intake areas will be live on School Finder from Thursday 16 June 2022.

Parents can start enrolling their children at their designated school from this date. Information regarding online enrolments can be found at the following link:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/parents-and-carers/going-to-school/enrolment/online-enrolment-for-nsw-public-schools>

The new intake areas will apply for all new enrolments in the identified schools. That is, enrolments that are commencing school in 2023.

Parents living in a new intake area, but who want to enrol their child in their previous in-area school, can still apply as a non-local enrolment via the standard process for non-local enrolments. The application will be considered on a case-by-case basis in line with the Department's enrolment policy.

From 2023, families living in an area affected by the changes who currently have a child/children enrolled at the previous in-area school are able to stay at that school. They are also able to enrol other siblings at that school.

### **Regular and ongoing monitoring**

Intake areas are not static and change over time in response to the evolving nature of communities. The revised intake areas for the Queanbeyan Network will be monitored annually to review enrolment trends following the addition of the three new schools into the Network.

A comprehensive review of enrolments and school accommodation across the Queanbeyan Network will be completed in four years. This will inform whether additional intake area adjustments or other interventions are needed.

### **Update on new high school in Jerrabomberra**

Work is continuing to deliver the new high school in Jerrabomberra. The Response to Submissions for the State Significant Development (SSD) application has been provided to the Department of Planning. Construction of the new high school can start when the SSD application is determined.

The proposal has been designed to accommodate approximately 500 students. The core facilities for the new high school are designed to cater for increased enrolments and will be ready for potential future expansion.

During the early planning phase of all new school projects, a masterplan is developed. The masterplan provides suitable expansion opportunities should the enrolments at Jerrabomberra High School increase in future years.

The masterplan includes details for Stage 2 of Jerrabomberra High School to cater for 1,000 students. The Department will monitor enrolments and will initiate a project to expand Jerrabomberra High School, if needed.

A new project would be subject to a business case and funding allocation, and is likely to need a separate planning approval.

**Access to updated intake areas and further information:**

**School Finder:**

The new school intake areas can be viewed using the NSW Public School Finder at [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/schoolfinder](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/schoolfinder). You can also access School Finder via the enrolment section of each school's website.

**School upgrades:**

For more information on recent and planned school upgrades across the Queanbeyan Network visit [www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au/explore.html](http://www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au/explore.html)

Further information about the Department's enrolment policy can be found under the enrolment section of our school's website.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Danny Scott". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending from the end of the name.

Danny Scott  
Principal

