

## **Esperance Senior High School included in \$1.6 billion investment in quality infrastructure for WA schools**

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- Cook Government investing a further \$410 million in WA school infrastructure as part of 2024-25 State Budget
- \$650,000 for Esperance Senior High School to commence planning for upgrades and new facilities
- Builds on the WA Labor Government's record \$4.4 billion education infrastructure investment since 2017

The Cook Labor Government will provide \$1.6 billion for new and improved infrastructure for public schools over the next four years to give Western Australian students contemporary facilities to learn in.

Of this funding, \$2.4 million has been set aside to complete project definition plans for a number of schools, including \$650,000 for Esperance Senior High School to commence planning for upgrades and new facilities.

This is in addition to \$3,318,846, provided through the Australian Government's Schools Upgrade Fund, for a new student services addition to the school.

The Schools Upgrade Fund will also provide \$950,000 to Esperance Education Support Centre for a community access bus shed.

### **Comments attributed to Member for the Agricultural Region Hon Shelley Payne MLC:**

"Having been a parent of the school, and having met with teachers, administration staff, and other parents many times, I'm delighted to see this \$650,000 investment in the school, to get the ball rolling on planning upgrades and new facilities.

"I was also thrilled to hear that both the high school and Esperance Education Support Centre had been successful in receiving funding through the Commonwealth's Schools Upgrade Fund.

"Investments such as these ensure that our Esperance students are provided the best possible learning experiences and every opportunity at a bright future."

### **Comments attributed to Education Minister Dr Tony Buti:**

"I'm excited to announce funding for the planning and delivery of purpose-built contemporary facilities to enable the delivery of public education across WA.

"We want to ensure that staff and students are teaching and learning in the best possible facilities across the State.

"It will be fantastic to see older infrastructure upgraded and schools expanded to cater for increasing enrolments in Perth's new and growing suburbs."

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