



Smart Cities Plan

WESTERN SYDNEY CITY DEAL

SKILLS AND EDUCATION

Western Sydney's economic future will depend on its skilled workforce, matched to the job needs of current and emerging industries. The City Deal supports opportunities for education and skills development, from secondary schooling to the vocational and university sectors.

Local education and training opportunities

Education will play a crucial role in the future productivity of the Western City. The City Deal commits to action across the education spectrum — from schooling to vocational and university education sectors.

Pathways to the jobs created by record infrastructure investment

A **TAFE Skills Exchange** will be established near the Western Sydney Airport to support training delivery and career pathways for the over 11,000 jobs expected to be created in the construction phase of the airport.

This will complement existing training initiatives, including the Liverpool Council and TAFE NSW Skills Exchange for the Construction of Liverpool Civic Place, and a Northern Road Employment and Training Hub at Penrith.

The NSW Government will increase funding for **apprenticeships, traineeships and pre-vocational qualifications** across Western Sydney.

An Aerospace institute for the Western City

The new Aerotropolis will house a commercial and industrial hub to draw together transport, communications and logistics. It will attract new growth in industries such as aerospace, defence, health, education and agribusiness.

An Aerospace Institute in the Aerotropolis will provide practical links to aerospace and defence industries, and support cutting edge research and expertise.

By 2020, the NSW Government will call for proposals from leading global Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) based universities and industries to establish the Aerospace Institute.

KEY COMMITMENTS

- ❖ **TAFE Skills Exchange near Western Sydney Airport**
- ❖ **Aerospace Institute**
- ❖ **VET facility in the Aerotropolis**
- ❖ **A new aerospace and aviation industries focused public high school**

STEM-focused education to equip workers for high-skill, high-wage jobs

The NSW Government will establish a permanent **Vocational Education and Training (VET) facility** in the Aerotropolis with a focus on construction, aviation and aeronautical engineering.

The VET facility will enable access training opportunities to take advantage of high-skill, high-earning jobs.

Schools linked to the jobs of the future

Quality primary and secondary education for Western Sydney students will ensure they can take advantage of further education and employment in the Western City and beyond.

A focus on science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) will support students to attain the skilled and knowledge-intensive jobs of the future.

The NSW Government will build a **new public high school** in the Aerotropolis with vocational links to Western Sydney Airport and the aerospace and aviation industries.

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