

Media Release

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SHEPPARTON STUDENTS TO BENEFIT FROM NEW BUS NETWORK

Students across Shepparton will benefit from a streamlined school bus network from the first day of term one next year thanks to the Andrews Labor Government creating a new and improved bus route for the community.

When the new Greater Shepparton Secondary College (GSSC) opens at the start of 2022 the temporary school bus services implemented earlier this year to transport students to different campuses during the construction of GSSC, will be converted into permanent routes and redirected to GSSC.

St Anne's College will also benefit from the extension of new school bus network with two extra services in the growth area of Kialla.

Consisting of 26 routes, the new network will make services more efficient, and will maintain existing connections to primary schools and other independent schools across Shepparton.

A brand-new bus interchange with 13 bus bays will be built on Hawdon Street and will service GSSC.

The new network will be operated by Jacobsons and Dysons who are currently operating the school bus services in Shepparton, and GSSC students will continue to receive free bus travel in 2022 as they transition to their new world-class secondary college.

Greater Shepparton Secondary College (GSSC) will open at the start of the 2022 school year, consolidating Shepparton High School, McGuire College, Wanganui Park Secondary College and Mooroopna Secondary College into a single site.

Details of the new and improved school bus services will be available on the GSSC website from 3 December 2021.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Public Transport Ben Carroll

"This new school bus network will make services more efficient and provide an important connection for Shepparton students to schools across the town."

"We have listened to community feedback and will convert the current temporary school bus services into permanent ongoing services when Greater Shepparton Secondary College opens at the start of 2022."

Quote attributable to Minister for Education James Merlino

"The new Shepparton school is a landmark for the entire Goulburn Valley community – and we're making sure all students have a great connection to and from the incredible new campus."

Quotes attributable to Member for Northern Victorian Mark Gepp

"We have worked to create a bus network for Shepparton students that streamlines services and provides better connections to enable them to travel safely and efficiently to and from school."

"From the start of the 2022 school year all students attending Greater Shepparton Secondary College will have the opportunity to travel free using the school bus program."

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