

## Item Details

### Name

Riverstone Public School (former)

### SHR/LEP/S170

### LEP #

### Address

Garfield Road East RIVERSTONE NSW 2765

### Local Govt Area

Blacktown

### Local Aboriginal Land Council

Unknown



### Item Type

Built

### Group/Collection

Education

### Category

School - State (public)

## All Addresses

### Addresses

Records Retrieved: 2

Street No	Street Name	Suburb/Town/Postcode	Local Govt. Area	LALC	Parish	County	Electorate	Address Type
	Piccadilly Street	RIVERSTONE/NSW/2765	Blacktown	Unknown			Unknown	Alternate Address
	Garfield Road East	RIVERSTONE/NSW/2765	Blacktown	Unknown			Unknown	Primary Address

## Significance

### Statement Of Significance

An unusual design for a public school building however shows Spanish Mission influence in State School design.

### Criteria a)

#### Historical Significance

Casuarina Special School is of historic significance to Riverstone as the second public School in Riverstone and evidence of the growing community in the town as the schools have grown and expanded. The School forms part of the historic town centre precinct along with the earlier public school opposite, as one of the key public buildings in the area.

### Criteria c)

#### Aesthetic/Technical Significance

The School is a representative example of the Spanish mission Georgian revival style, and a rare Sydney example of a school building of this type.

The School building also represents the transitions of Schools in the Riverstone district with all school developed remaining with various uses from 1884 to the present.

### Criteria f)

#### Rarity

The School building is a rare intact and high quality example of the Spanish Mission Georgian revival interwar styling for public buildings, made popular by Architect Leslie Wilkinson, Hardy Wilson and others in the 1915-1940 era.

## Integrity/Intactness

High

## Owners

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Records Retrieved: 0

Organisation	Stakeholder Category	Date Ownership Updated
No Results Found		

## Description

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**Designer**

**Builder/Maker**

**Physical Description**

**Updated**

A symmetrical building built in a highly ornate and iconic interwar Spanish Mission / Georgian style. The centre of the building is depicted by the decorative parapet and arched windows over the central main entrance.

**Physical Condition**

**Updated 12/16/2015**

Good

**Modifications And Dates**

**Further Comments**

**Current Use**

School

**Former Use**

School

## Listings

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**Listings**

			Records Retrieved: 2		
Heritage Listing	Listing Title	Listing Number	Gazette Date	Gazette Number	Gazette Page
Local Environmental Plan	Amend No 143		4/12/2002 12:00:00 AM	72	2262
Local Environmental Plan	Blacktown Local Environmental Plan 2015	181	7/7/2015 12:00:00 AM	430	

## Procedures/Exemptions

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Records Retrieved: 0

Section of Act	Description	Title	Comments	Action Date	Outcome
No Results Found					

## History

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### Historical Notes or Provenance

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The School on the corner of Piccadilly and Garfield Road east was built in 1928 and opened in 1929. The school was an extension of the original Riverstone Public School which had opened in 1883 on the north side of Garfield Road opposite the present School.

The School operated out of the 1929 building until 2002, but was split from the primary in 1957 when an extension School was built in Elizabeth Street. The School remained the infants department until 2002, when the full school was consolidated into the Elizabeth street premises.

In 2004 the school was reopened as a special school and is now known as Casuarina Special School for years 5-8.

The School demonstrates the Spanish Mission Georgian revival style made popular by Architect Leslie Wilkinson, Hardy Wilson and others in the 1915-1940 periods. Many public and educational buildings of this era, including the key historic buildings in Canberra demonstrate this style. This is the only building in the Blacktown LGA which demonstrates this styling.

### Historic Themes

Records Retrieved: 2

National Theme	State Theme	Local Theme
6. Educating	Education	Unknown
4. Settlement	Towns, suburbs and villages	Unknown

## Recommended Management

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### Management Summary

### Management

Records Retrieved: 0

Management Category	Management Name	Date Updated
No Results Found		

## Report/Study

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## Heritage Studies

Records Retrieved: 6

Report/Study Name	Report/Study Code	Report/Study Type	Report/Study Year	Organisation	Author
In House Heritage Items Review			2009		Margaret Fallon
Blacktown Heritage Study			1995		(not stated)
Blacktown Heritage Study			1988		Jonathan Falk Planning Consultants in association with Rodney Jensen and Assoc.s
Heritage Study of the North Western sector of Sydney			1984		Howard Tanner and Associates
Heritage Study of the North Western Sector of Sydney			1984		Howard Tanner & Associates in association with Max Kelly and Elizabeth Vines
Heritage Study of the North Western Sector of Sydney			1984		Howard Tanner & Associates Pty Ltd

## Reference & Internet Links

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### References

Records Retrieved: 1

Type	Author	Year	Title	Link
Management Plan			Sydney Architecture	

## Data Source

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