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Grammar Aquatic Centre receives FINA certification for pool

Today marks the official certification for Sunshine Coast Grammar School's 10 lane, 50 metre FINA certified heated swimming pool. The only FINA certified 50 metre school pool currently on the Sunshine Coast.

This historical moment now unlocks the final lap as the Grammar Aquatic Centre facility nears completion.

Graeme Stevenson from Swimming Australia flew in from Melbourne to conduct the site inspection and ensure the pool dimensions were constructed within the required tolerances to meet the International Swimming Federation (FINA) standard. This process involved checking the critical pool dimensions at various stages from the initial designs to survey's and data collected during construction, and now a final certification of the pool dimensions. The detailed inspection included the review of a number of elements such as; water levels, distance and depth indicators, hydraulics system, drain heights, lane markers, false start flags, furniture compliancy, diving blocks, temperature, salt content and the disabled entry ramp to the pool.

Construction of the Grammar Aquatic Centre began in December 2016 with the 50 metre pool commencing in January this year. Now after nine months the finishing line is in sight.

"A core goal of this facility was to ensure we could offer a swimming pool that meets FINA international competition standards for the Grammar community and the Sunshine Coast," said Principal Mrs Maria Woods.

"Receiving certification for the 50 metre pool is an exciting milestone in this project, and I am delighted to confirm that completion is still on track for next term. Construction has progressed extremely well and I am looking forward to our students enjoying their first lap."

The Grammar Aquatic Centre will be an outstanding facility for Sunshine Coast Grammar School and New Leaf Early Learning families, with a broad range of sporting and educational uses including an enclosed 15 metre Learn to Swim pool, 700 seat undercover grandstand, gymnasium, tennis centre, classrooms, change rooms and a kiosk.

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