



WESTERN AUSTRALIAN
COLLEGE *of* AGRICULTURE
Cunderdin

THE PRINCIPAL, STAFF AND STUDENTS
WELCOME YOU TO

OPEN DAY 2025

Friday 5 September

WELCOME

The College facilities are a commercially operating farming enterprise. The dangers on our farm are no different to any other farm, so we therefore request that you refrain from going to areas not listed on the display directory.

Children are to be closely supervised at all times – particularly when close to machinery and animals. Some areas of the farm are closed to the public for biosecurity reasons and asbestos containing material. Please refrain from entering restricted areas.

Your co-operation in complying with these directions is appreciated.

NO SMOKING OR VAPING

Smoking and Vaping is not permitted on ALL Government and Department of Education properties, land, and buildings.

BIOSECURITY AND OUR FARM

Please do not enter the College if you have been overseas in the past 7 days.

To help maintain our biosecurity measures, please complete the visitor sign in book at the entrance or scan the QR Code below.

No dogs permitted on site.



CUNDERDIN AG OPEN DAY PROGRAM

5 SEPTEMBER 2025

09.00 AM - 11.00 AM

TRIPLE M LIVE BROADCAST
(OUTSIDE RECREATION CENTRE)

10.00 AM - 2.00 PM

GATES OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

11.00 AM - 12.30 PM

SHEARING COMPETITION
(SHEARING SHED)

11.00 AM - 1.00 PM

LUNCH AVAILABLE IN DINING HALL
(PRE-PURCHASE TICKETS IN FRONT OF LIBRARY)

12.00 PM - 12.30 PM

COLLEGE BAND PERFORMANCE
PROSPECTIVE STUDENT INFORMATION PRESENTATION
SCHOOL GROUP LUCKY DOOR PRIZE WINNER DRAWN
(RECREATION CENTRE)

1.30 PM - 2.00 PM

CLOSING CEREMONY (RECREATION CENTRE)

- PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS, MR MATT DOWELL
- TRADES AWARDS
- SHEARING AWARDS
- WINNER OF 'GUESS THE WEIGHT' OF THE COW
- WINNER OF 'GUESS THE FAT DEPTH' OF THE PIG
- WINNER OF 'GUESS THE MICRON' OF THE FLEECE
- ANNOUNCEMENT OF 2026 STUDENT COUNCIL

COMPLIMENTARY MORNING TEA IS AVAILABLE AT THE LIBRARY, TRADES, FARM WORKSHOP AND SHEARING SHED.

COFFEE CAN BE PURCHASED FROM THE COFFEE VAN.

WATER AND COOL DRINKS ARE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE FROM THE VENDING MACHINE IN THE FOYER OF THE RECREATION CENTRE.

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED IN THE DINING HALL (PLEASE SEE MENU IN PROGRAMME).

COLLEGE DISPLAYS

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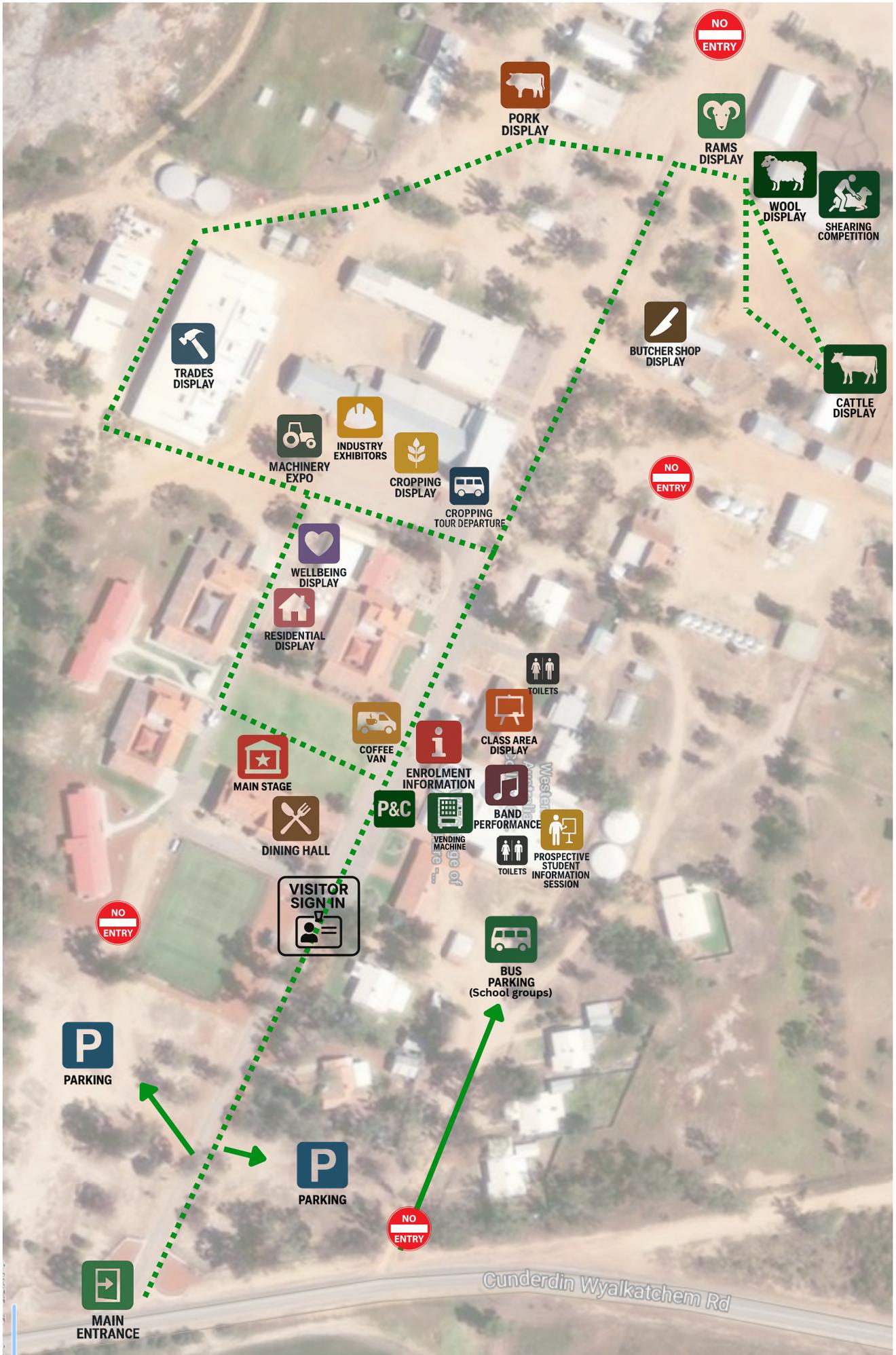
DISPLAY	LOCATION	WHEN	WHAT'S ON?
FARM			
 CROPPING DISPLAY  MACHINERY EXPO	FARM WORKSHOP AREA	ALL DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CROPPING AND WORKSHOP DISPLAY. • OUTSIDE - MACHINERY DISPLAY AND TENDER ITEMS. • COMPLIMENTARY MORNING TEA AVAILABLE
 CATTLE DISPLAY	CATTLE YARDS	ALL DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CATTLE WILL BE ON DISPLAY IN THE CATTLE YARDS. • CATTLE HANDLING DEMONSTRATIONS. • "GUESS THE WEIGHT" OF THE COW COMPETITION.
 PORK DISPLAY	PIGGERY OFFICE AREA	11AM & 12PM ALL DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PREGNANCY TESTING DEMONSTRATIONS • LIMITED ACCESS TO PIGGERY – PLEASE FOLLOW DIRECTIONS DISPLAYED ON THE DAY. • PORK PRODUCTION DISPLAY. • "GUESS THE FAT DEPTH" OF THE PIG COMPETITION.
 SHEARING COMPETITION  WOOL DISPLAY	SHEARING SHED	ALL DAY 11.00AM - 12.30PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SHEARING DISPLAY • STUD AND COMMERCIAL STOCK DISPLAY. • GUESS THE MICRON OF THE FLEECE CHALLENGE • AWARD PRESENTATION IMMEDIATELY AFTERWARDS AT THE CLOSING CEREMONY. • COMPLIMENTARY MORNING TEA AVAILABLE • STUDENT SHEARING COMPETITION. • STUDENT WOOL HANDLING.
 BUTCHER SHOP DISPLAY	BUTCHER SHOP	ALL DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPEN FOR INSPECTION • PRODUCE SAMPLING
 RAMS DISPLAY	OUTSIDE SHEARING SHED	ALL DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COLLEGE RAMS ON DISPLAY OUTSIDE NEW SHEARING SHED.
 CROPPING TOUR DEPARTURE	FARM (CROP) BUS TOURS BOOK YOUR TOUR SPOT AT THE FARM WORKSHOP AS SEATS ARE LIMITED. THE BUS DEPARTS OUTSIDE THE FARM WORKSHOP AT 10.30AM & 11.30AM.		

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TRADES DISPLAY			
 TRADES DISPLAY	Trade Training Centre	ALL DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DISPLAY OF STUDENT PROJECTS, PROGRAMS, AND FACILITIES. • VISITORS CHOICE AWARD DISPLAY IN FURNISHING AND ENGINEERING. • CUBBY HOUSES AVAILABLE FOR TENDER ARE ON DISPLAY IN CONSTRUCTION. • ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITOR'S CHOICE AWARDS AT CLOSING CEREMONY. • COMPLIMENTARY MORNING TEA AVAILABLE
CLASS DISPLAY			
 CLASS AREA DISPLAY	Library, Classroom 1 & 2	ALL DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DISPLAYS, ACTIVITIES AND STUDENT WORK SAMPLES. • STAFF AND STUDENTS AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS. • MEET REPRESENTATIVES FROM CURTIN UNIVERSITY, EDITH COWAN UNIVERSITY AND MURDOCH UNIVERSITY, ADF CAREERS, CONSTRUCTION TRAINING FUND. • COMPLIMENTARY MORNING TEA AVAILABLE
RESIDENTIAL AND WELLBEING			
 RESIDENTIAL DISPLAY	Gazebo / Undercover Area	ALL DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DISPLAYS, GAMES AND ACTIVITIES • RESIDENTIAL STAFF AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS • STUDENT-LED DORMITORY TOURS • Q&A WITH STUDENTS - A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A BOARDER • SCHOOL GROUPS COLLECT LUNCHES HERE
 WELLBEING DISPLAY	Gazebo / Undercover Area	ALL DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DISPLAYS, GAMES AND ACTIVITIES • WELLBEING TEAM AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS • STUDENTS AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS
 TOILETS	<p>PLEASE NOTE: TOILET FACILITIES ARE LOCATED: INSIDE THE RECREATION CENTRE AND NEAR THE CLASSROOMS</p>		
 INDUSTRY EXHIBITORS	LAWN AREA	ALL DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • INDUSTRY STAKEHOLDERS AND EMPLOYERS EXHIBITING • LEARN ABOUT EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES DIRECT FROM EMPLOYERS • LEARN ABOUT OPPORTUNITIES IN AGRICULTURE

LOCATION MAP



PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

Students interested in studying at the WA College of Agriculture - Cunderdin in 2027 and beyond can obtain a promotional brochure from the Enrolment Information stand located near the Library.

Applications have now closed for Year 11 in 2026.

Interviews for Year 11, 2027 will be commencing in Term 4, 2025.

Applications can also be submitted via our website:
www.cunderdinag.wa.edu.au

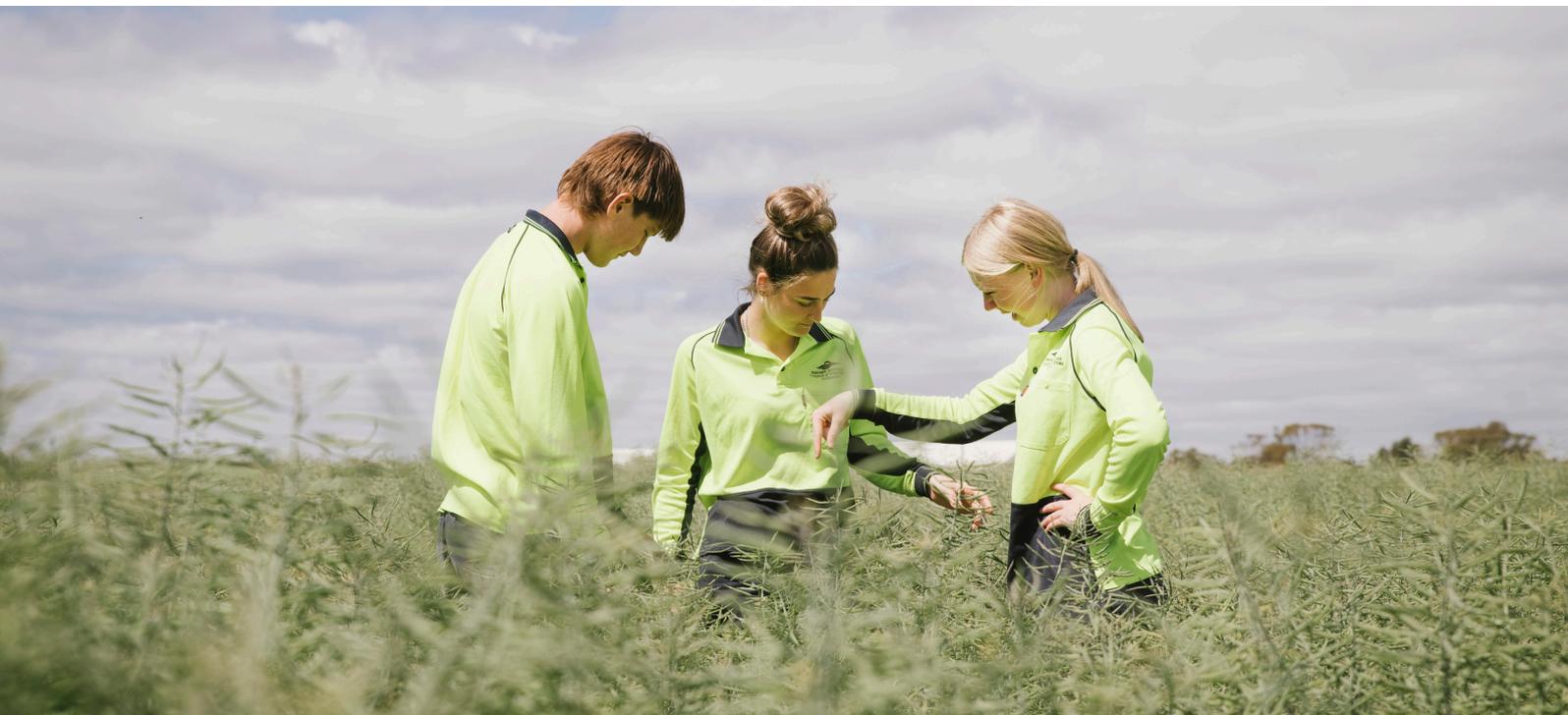
Scan the QR code for more enrolment information.



PROSPECTIVE STUDENT INFORMATION SESSION (12.00PM)

Prospective students and their families are invited to join us in the Recreation Centre at 12.00pm to hear more about living and learning at Cunderdin Ag College

School Group 'Lucky Door Prize' drawn



SHEARING AWARDS SPONSORS

The College wishes to thank the following donors for their continued support of our annual shearing event:

Seed Cleaners of WA
Gill Agri Services
Mr Mark and Mrs Kylie Iles - Cunderdin
de Beer Family - Cunderdin
Farmways - Cunderdin
Davey Family - Konnongorring
Mrs Noelle Treasure - Cunderdin
Old Collegians - Cunderdin
Livestock & Land - Kellerberrin
Mr Wayne Laird - Formerly of WA College of Agriculture, Cunderdin
Heiniger Shearing Supplies - Bibra Lake



TRADES AWARDS SPONSORS

The College wishes to thank the following donors for their continued support of our annual Trades Awards:

Combined Tyres - Engineering Visitors and Professional Choice Awards
Mortlock Timber - Furnishing Visitors and Professional Choice Awards
Jaguar Car Club - Automotives Student Awards

WA COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, CUNDERDIN COLLEGE BOARD 2025

THE COLLEGE BOARD COMPRISES REPRESENTATIVES FROM COMMUNITY, PARENTS, AND STAFF.

GRAHAM COOPER (CHAIRPERSON), MATT DOWELL (PRINCIPAL),
KRISTINE VAN (RESIDENTIAL MANAGER), YVONNE BOPP (MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES),
LEANNE SJOLLEMA (ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL)

PARENT REPRESENTATIVES

CAROLINE BRADLEY, LAUREN FRANKLIN, CANDICE JONES, JANELLE LANE, GAVIN HAGBOOM,
BRONWYN DE FIN

AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEMBERS OF THE AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE OFFER VALUABLE ADVICE ON CURRENT
FARMING PRACTICES AND IMPLEMENTATION OF SOUND AGRICULTURAL POLICY.

DIGBY WILLMOTT (CHAIRPERSON), MATT DOWELL (PRINCIPAL), DANIEL DE BEER (FARM MANAGER),
TANYA KILMINSTER, ROBERT BEARD, MURRAY WILLIAMS, REG MADDOCK, ANTHONY SNOOKE, REBEKAH
BURGES, KATE HAYES-THOMPSON, ZAC RICK (AGRONOMIST)

P & C COMMITTEE 2025 - 2026

CANDICE JONES (PRESIDENT), SAM PIMLOTT (VICE PRESIDENT), CHRISTINE BARRATT (TREASURER)
DAINA SUTHERLAND (SECRETARY), KERRIE READ, MARIE MURRAY

2025 STUDENT COUNCIL

RILEY ISBISTER, ARCHER DAVEY, TYSON ROUTLEDGE, BRODY LIA (HEAD STUDENT), MADISON WILKIN
(HEAD STUDENT), ABBY DE FIN, BAILLIE DEAN, BRIANNA GUEST



LUNCH MENU

TICKETS TO BE PRE-PURCHASED IN THE LIBRARY
LUNCH IS SERVED IN THE DINING HALL FROM 11.00 AM - 1.00 PM



\$5 PER SERVING

PULLED PORK BURGER
SWEET POTATO AND PUMPKIN DAHL WITH RICE
BOLOGNESE PENNE WITH CHEESE TOPPING



\$3 PER SERVING

PUMPKIN SOUP AND BREAD ROLL

CUNDERDIN AG FOOTY SHORTS P&C FUNDRAISER

**\$40
EACH!**

FRONT



BACK



WHITE LINE
15MM THICK

PLACE
ORDERS @
P&C STAND

**WA TRAINING
AWARDS 2023**

WINNER

WA COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, CUNDERDIN
WA Small Training Provider of the Year 2023

Finalists

Excellence in
teaching and learning (secondary)

**WA Education
Awards 2024**



**SMALL TRAINING PROVIDER
OF THE YEAR 2023**

BRONZE RECIPIENT

HISTORY OF THE COLLEGE

The Western Australian College of Agriculture-Cunderdin (WACOAC) owes its existence in large measure to the efforts of the late Mr. Steve Lundy. He convinced the Government of the day that Cunderdin was an appropriate place to establish an Agricultural School, using the RAAF land and facilities already existing there.

On 9 February 1959 the Education Department opened the school with an enrolment of 20 students. The original area, of some 384 hectares, was increased when the "Warrigal" property of 358 hectares, situated close to the Cunderdin township, was purchased.

The dormitories, How House, Weller House, Linto House, Moyle & Morton are named after staff members who have made significant contributions to the development of the College. In 2011 Moyle & Morton Dormitories were opened giving an additional 36 beds, with all dormitories air conditioned by 2012.

Following the Report of the Advisory Committee on Agricultural Education (McDowell Committee) the College became separate from the Town School and was renamed Cunderdin Agricultural College in 1984.

In 1996, the College purchased a further 445 hectares (known as Baxter's land) which adjoins our property on two sides. This land was previously leased to the College from 1990 - 1996. This purchase brought the total land available to the College to 1,585ha. In 2000 the College purchased a further 529ha from Fiegert's.

In 2016 the College was successful in securing an additional 1100ha of arable land that included the Greyhome and Jenzen blocks. The College now has a total of 4023ha of which 2516ha is arable. \$1.7 million in funding was sourced from Royalties for Regions with the Department of Education supporting the remaining funding required. A Trades Centre designed by College staff specifically to cater for the workshop needs of students was completed in February 1996. Also completed in February 1996, was the extensive Student Recreation Centre, which replaced a dilapidated building that existed from pre-war days.

In September 1999 the College was independently validated to achieve Registered Training Organisation (RTO) status. This qualification allowed the College to deliver and assess national competency-based Training Packages.

WACoA, Cunderdin is part of the five residential Agricultural Colleges consortium badged together under the one banner in 2000. Additionally, WACoA, Cunderdin is part of the Wheatbelt Education Region. The current model allows the College to retain 60% of the farm income generated for onsite operations with the remaining 40% forwarded to Central Office. Funding returned to Central Office can be used for both farm equipment purchases by the Agricultural Colleges and distributions to other schools within the state that run an agricultural programme.

In 2019 the College was one of only five secondary institutions to receive funding to enable it to expose students to new and emerging technologies which will greatly enhance their learning program in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) subjects. The College's profile as a leader in STEM programs is reflected in the Internet of Things technology on farm and being selected as a STEM Pioneer School.

The College continues to go from strength-to-strength with the continual acquisition of modern vehicles, machinery, and infrastructure to provide the latest educational outcomes. The Trade Training Centre additions were completed in 2014 seeing an extension to the existing Trades building. It also included a new Farm Workshop, offices and a new weaner grower shed in the piggery. More recent infrastructure improvements include 5 piggery dome shelters, a piggery office, finisher shed and construction of cattle yards.

The College has won numerous major awards including the State and National winner of the Vocational Education and Training Excellence Awards. The College has also been a winner and finalist in the WA Secondary School of the Year Awards. In 2018, 2019 and 2020 our College topped the state with 100 per cent of the Year 12 students achieving a WACE. In 2021, Year 12 graduate, Charlotte Crossen was announced as the Beazley Medal recipient for VET.

The College was also nominated as a finalist for the DTWD WA Training Awards in the 'Small RTO of the Year' category in 2022, winning in 2023 and being the Bronze medallist in the Australian Training Awards. In addition, the college has been recognised as a finalist for the WA Education Awards for the 'Excellence in Teaching and Learning - Secondary' in both 2023 and 2024.



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