

Information Booklet



Casino West
PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Welcome to our school

At Casino West Public School we support students to be safe, responsible and respectful learners.

We provide a quality education for all students in a happy, safe and secure environment.

The individual differences of all students are respected, recognised and valued, resulting in productive teaching practices, high levels of engagement by students who continuously improve outcomes and achieve their individual targets.

We value the opportunity to provide students with the skills to enable them to become lifelong learners and successful citizens.

The whole Casino West Public School community collaborate to support student development and enjoyment. We invite you to be an active member of our school family.

School aims:

- To provide a safe, caring and secure learning environment where every child is known, valued and cared for.
- To recognise, guide and encourage self-esteem and respect for others.
- To provide stimulating learning experiences which enable all children to achieve.
- To develop school spirit and promote a sense of belonging.
- To work in partnership with parents, carers and community members.
- To support students to grow as individuals and responsible members of the community.

Mrs Lesley Mills, Principal.



Casino West School Uniform

Students are encouraged to wear our school uniform. We discourage clothes that are not sun safe and also non-covered footwear e.g. singlets, thongs etc. Uniforms are available at the office. Payment options include cash, eftpos and online via the school website.

- Maroon and light blue shirts \$18.00
- Navy shorts \$15.00
- School hat with emblem \$10.00
- Track pants \$25.00
- Maroon and blue jacket \$45.00
- Navy socks \$7.00 or 3 pairs for \$20.00

Broad brimmed hats are essential. School hats are encouraged. We have a “no hat, play undercover” rule.



School Times

Students who do not travel by bus do not come to school before 9.00am as teachers commence supervision from 9.00am. For students who arrive by bus prior to 9.00am they sit quietly in the school office area.

Casino West Bell times:

- 9.00am Teachers commence duty. Play time.
- 9.20am Whole school assembly
- 9.30am Lessons commence
- 11.20am Lunch
- 11.30am Play time
- 12.05pm Lessons
- 1.50pm Recess play time
- 2.20pm Lessons
- 3.15pm Early bus
- 3.20pm School finishes.



Canteen

Our school canteen is an approved Healthy Canteen. The menu consists of 85% everyday food (healthy) category with 15% occasional (treat) category food. The canteen operates Monday to Friday with eftpos facilities.

For further information, please contact the school or refer to the following:

<https://policies.education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/nutrition-in-schools-policy>



Student Welfare

Casino West Public School is a Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) school. We are safe, responsible and respectful learners.

Casino West Public School is committed to the daily teaching and modeling of high expectations relationships across the whole school community.

Through innovative and reflective practice we aim to build a strong, positive culture that enables high expectations relationships across the whole school community.

Every day our class yarning circles focus on how we can use the 'Casino Way' values. We recognise and acknowledge people who display these values daily.



All students have many opportunities to receive recognition for demonstrating positive behaviour.

Each term children strive to achieve their Bronze, Silver and Gold Level by being a safe, responsible and respectful learner.

- Weeks 1-3 Bronze Level with a class based reward
- Weeks 4-6 Silver Level with a stage based reward
- Weeks 7-9 Gold Level with a whole school reward.

Additional awards to promote positive values:

- Platty Award (playground)
- Assembly Awards
- Attendance Awards
- Different Teacher Same Respect Stars
- Principal Awards
- End of Year Presentation Day Awards.

'Casino Way' values:

- Courage
- Patience
- Challenge
- Presence
- Honour
- Power



At Casino West Public School we are:

- Respectful
- Responsible
- Safe

Students and staff show respect, being responsible and being safe by helping their peers, talking respectfully, having high quality conversations and enriched weekly lessons.

Our playground is full of a variety of play equipment that enhances both social and gross motor skills.

Positive Behaviour for Learning assists our school to improve social, emotional, behavioural and academic outcomes for all students.

Casino West Public School brings together the whole school community so that everyone can contribute to develop a positive, safe and supportive learning culture.

Healthcare

If your child has a health condition and medication is required to be taken at school, forms are required to be completed prior to this occurring. Our administration staff are trained to administer medication.

If your child is sick they will be cared for in our sick bay and you will be contacted if they need to be collected.

For further information please see:

<https://policies.education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/student-health-in-nsw-public-schools-a-summary-and-consolidation-of-policy>

If a student of Casino West Public School displays inappropriate behaviour we follow the NSW Department of Education Student Welfare Policy.

Parents and Carers are kept informed at all stages.

Further information:

<https://policies.education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/student-welfare-policy>





Learning and Support Team

We recognise that some children require additional support to experience success. At Casino West Public School we support student's learning by providing a School Learning Support Officer (SLSO) in every classroom, catering for individual learning needs and developing individual learning plans.

We have two support classes, Autism and Multi Category (MC). Our Learning and Support Teacher provides ongoing support and advice to teachers and families to ensure that the needs of every child are being met in a supportive and caring learning environment.

The Importance of Attendance

Parents and Carers are responsible for ensuring their child attends school everyday.

Student attendance is recorded daily. This includes late arrivals, early departures and when out of class.

There is an attendance reward each term for students displaying 95%+ attendance (less than five days per term away).

Each week students who attend 100% are recognised and rewarded.

All absences need to be explained. This can be done by a note, a phone call, email or via the Skoolbag app. A Home School Liaison Officer regularly checks our attendance records.



Always Connected

Each week a school newsletter is published, ensuring our school community is informed of all current and future events.

Hard copies can be sent home if preferred.

The newsletter and additional information about Casino West Public School can always be accessed via the school website, our Facebook page and the Skoolbag app.

Many teachers use ClassDojo to share learning activities. Please contact the office if you have any questions.

Family Matters

Family and extended family are an integral part of our school community.

Parent participation is greatly valued at our school. There are many ways to be involved. E.g. Attend school events such as Mother's Day and Father's Day celebrations, NAIDOC Day, Beef Week, Book Week and Education Week. Come along to our annual swimming and athletics carnivals. Casino West Public School has a Yarn-up every term and regular Primary and Infants Assemblies each fortnight. Other activities at our school include being involved in the school canteen and voluntary reading in class.

We want you to come along if you are able.



Casino West Public School also has a Parent and Citizens Association (P&C). We encourage parents, carers and community members to join the association and be apart of the various fundraising projects during the year to benefit our students.

Who can pick up your child

When enrolling your child you will provide emergency contact details for persons you authorise to collect your child if you are unable to.

Please ensure this information is kept up to date, in addition to your telephone and address details.

The school needs to be made aware of any legal custody matters relating to your child.

If you have court orders in place, please ensure to provide documents to the school.



Outdoor Learning Environments

Our expansive school grounds include large outdoor learning areas and well shaded under cover areas enabling a variety of extra curricular activities.

Our facilities include sporting fields, netball/basketball courts, cricket nets and state of the art playground equipment.

Students regularly participate in sporting programs which enhance their social and gross motor skills.

Please see the Sport and Physical Activity Policy for further information: <https://policies.education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/sport-and-physical-activity-policy>

Our expansive grounds support extra curricular activities such as gardening.

Annual Sporting Calendar

Term 1:

- Primary School Swimming Carnival
- Primary Sport - Swimming
- Carlill Cup Swimming Carnival
- Casino West Special Year 1 Swimming Program
- NRPSSA Cricket
- NRPSSA Basketball
- NRPSSA Tennis
- NRPSSA Swimming
- NRPSSA Soccer
- NRPSSA AFL
- NRPSSA Rugby League

Term 2:

- PSSA Rugby League
- NRPSSA Rugby Union
- NRPSSA Cross Country
- NRPSSA Touch Football
- NRPSSA Netball
- NRPSSA Softball
- School Athletics Carnival
- School Cross Country
- Netball All Schools Cup
- PSSA Athletics

Term 3:

- All Schools Cross Country
- PSSA Athletics

Term 4:

- Primary Sport - Swimming
- 10 day Intensive Swimming Scheme

NRPSSA - Northern Rivers Primary School Sports Association





Indoor Learning Environments

Casino West Public School classrooms are flexible, attractive learning spaces, ensuring students are highly engaged and are well catered for all learning styles.

Students have a weekly class lesson in the library and are encouraged to borrow books in this lesson. Students need to bring along a library bag to be able to take home books.

To further encourage your child in reading our library has a Book Club and at least one Book Fair each year. The Scholastic Book Club catalogue is sent home with students each term.



Extra Curricular Activities

Our school provides opportunities for students to experience many extra curricular activities, a few of which are:

- Robotics
- Choir
- Dance
- Student Representative Council (SRC)
- Peer Support Program
- Leadership Programs
- Gardening
- Boxing.

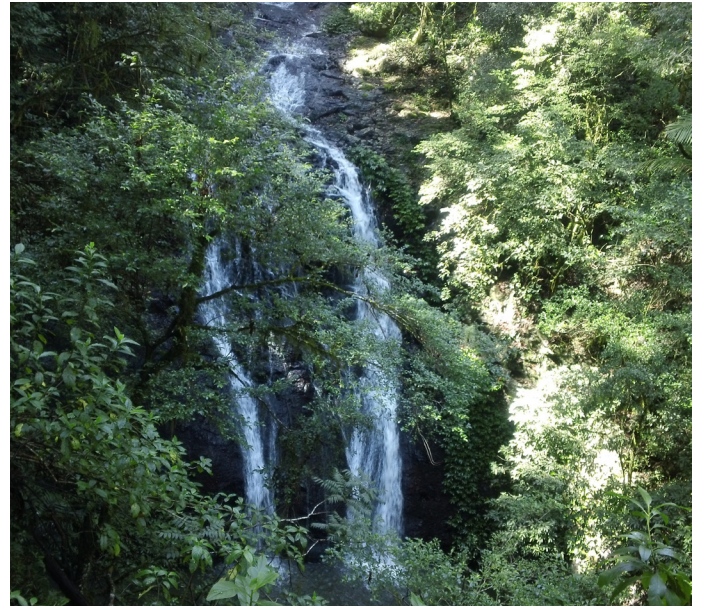


Incursions

Throughout the year performances and interactive visits occur at Casino West Public School. Some examples include, but not limited to:

- Solid Mob
- Brainstorm Productions
- Meerakat Productions
- Digi Ed - Claymation
- Future Dreaming Day
- Healthy Harold

This further enhances our curriculum to support the development of social, technological, creative and physical skills.



Bundjalung Language Program

Casino West Public School operates a Bundjalung language program which is overseen by the Aboriginal Language and Culture Nest initiative in partnership with the NSW Aboriginal Education Consultative Group Inc.

The NSW Department of Education has a strong commitment to the teaching of Aboriginal language in schools. With support from our local Elders, our school employs two language tutors to conduct weekly one hour classroom lessons in Bundjalung language. The program also incorporates dance, art and culture into the lessons. An Aboriginal perspective is integrated across our whole school program.





Annual Calendar

Term 1

- Community Yarn-up
- Easter Hat Parade
- Book Fair
- Cedars
- Harmony Day

Term 2

- Community Yarn-up
- Cedars
- Dental visits
- NAIDOC celebrations
- Mother's Day
- ANZAC Day
- Beef Week
- Reconciliation Day
- Sorry Day

Term 3

- Community Yarn-up
- Cedars
- Book Week
- Father's Day
- Casino West's Got Talent (every two years)
- School Concert (every two years)
- Archibald Prize
- Education Week
- Book Fair

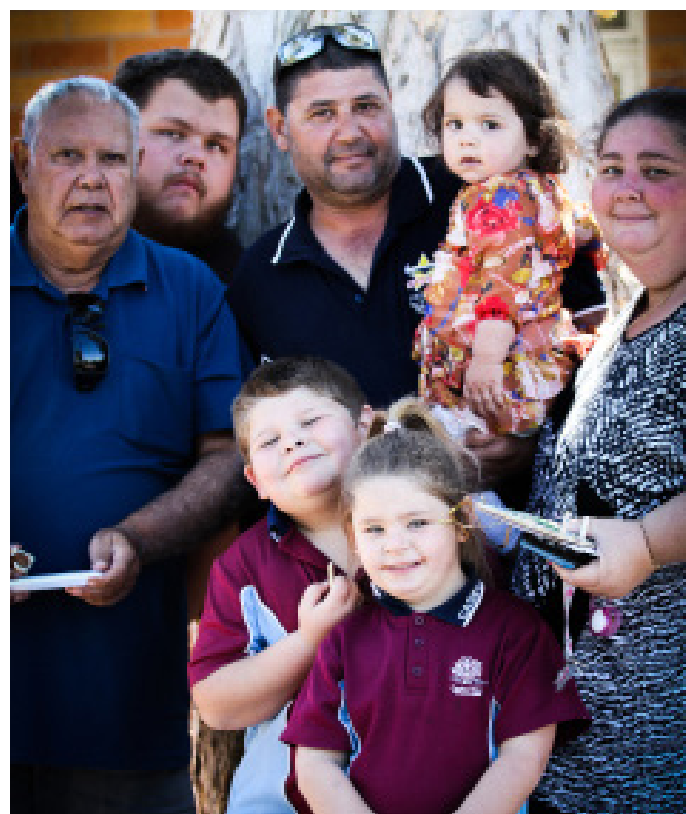
Term 4

- Community Yarn-up
- Cedars
- Uni-Bound Southern Cross University
- Transition Program from Preschool to Kindergarten
- Kindergarten Orientation
- Presentation Day
- Year 6 Farewell
- End of Year Excursions

Excursions

Casino West Public School further extends on student experiences through excursions within the local area and further afield. Some examples include:

- Gifted and Talented Program (CEEP) Casino High School
- Casino Dance Academy Performance
- Uni-bound Southern Cross University
- Cedars visit
- Cultural excursions
- Jumbanna Art Shed
- BroSpeak
- SistaSpeak
- Early Stage 1 - Stage 3 Excursions
- End of Year Excursions
- Curriculum related experiences.



The Casino West Family

A team of highly dedicated and experienced professionals.

Area	Staff	Learning Support Officer
Principal	Mrs Lesley Mills	
Assistant Principal ES/Stage 1	Mrs Karen Campbell	
Assistant Principal Stage 2	Mr Dean Campbell	
Assistant Principal Stage 3	Mrs Tami Chadderton	
Instructional Leader	Ms George Speck	
Senior Psychologist Education	Ms Alison Coote	
School Psychologist	Leanne Hore	
Learning Support	Mrs Jo Hayward	
Student Support	Mr Chris Matthews	
Aboriginal Education Officer	Mrs Haley Connors (relieving)	
School Business Manager	Ms Julie Ewart (relieving)	
School Administration Manager	Felice Perkins (relieving)	
School Administration Officer	Mrs Sue-Ellen Patch	
Librarian	Mrs Genevieve Gibson	
Preschool Educator	Mrs Elizabeth Hensen	Mrs Leanne Davis
Preschool Administration	Felice Perkins	Miss Astoria Chapman
Multilit Program	Mrs Jan Toovey	
Quicksmart	Mrs Lynn Deegan	Mrs Rachel Adam
ICT Co-ordinator	Mrs Dee Taylor	
Aboriginal Language	Mr Shane Caldwell	
	Mr Charlie Caldwell	
Release Teacher P-2	Miss Megan Murphy	
Release Teacher 3-6	Mr Gary Hughes	
Sports Co-ordinator	Mr Gary Hughes	
General Assistant	Mr Bill Stanford	
Computer Technician	Mr Jacob Comber	
KS	Mrs Rachael Scott	Ms Deborah Hurren
K/1S	Ms Val Smith	Mrs Leanne Collison
1/2W	Ms Donna Wilder	Mrs Megan Keogh
2C	Mrs Karen Campbell	Mrs Donna Goldthorpe
3/4M	Mrs Roshelle Martin	Mr Charlie Caldwell Mrs Rachel Adam Mrs Lynn Deegan
3/4S	Mrs Margaret Savins	Miss Jasmine Baran
4/5K	Mr Rodney Kilby	Mrs Donna Freeburn
5/6C	Mrs Tami Chadderton	Mrs Sharon Schneider
5/6R	Mrs Cathy Radonovic	Mrs Desiree Avery
K/6H	Mrs Melissa Horne	Mrs Zandra Frazer
K/6B	Mr Shannon Beaumont	Ms Helen McLeod

Stay informed with the SkoolBag App



The SkoolBag app is the easiest way to stay up-to-date with school events, last minutes notices, newsletters and **all** school communications.

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Download the app

Search for the free SkoolBag app in the Apple App or Google Play Store

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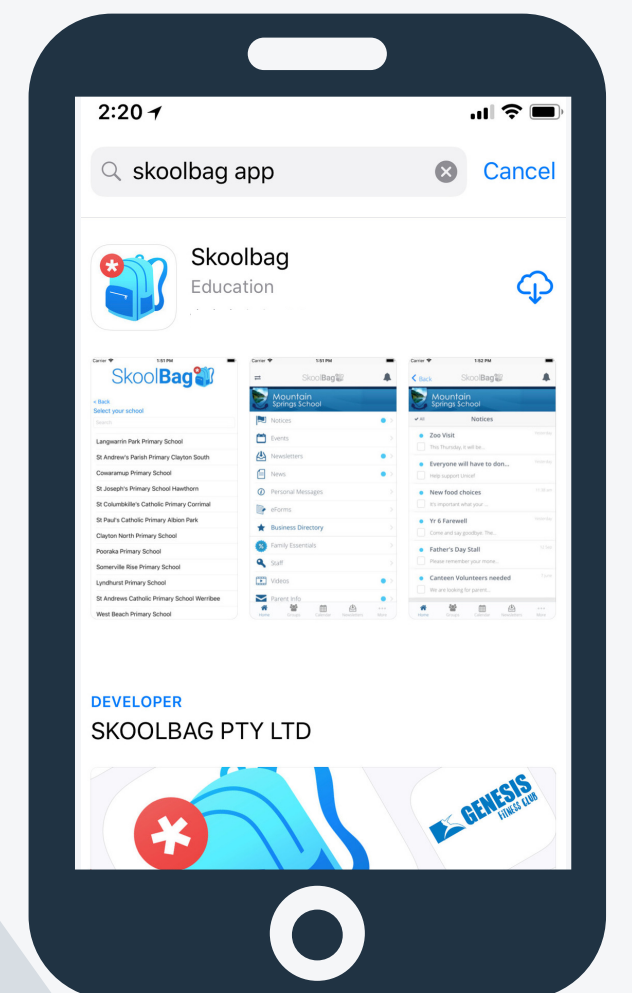
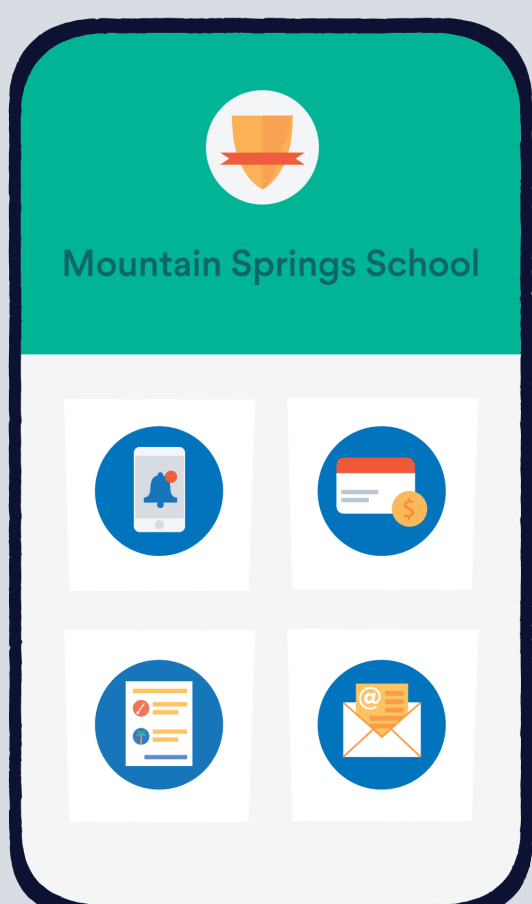
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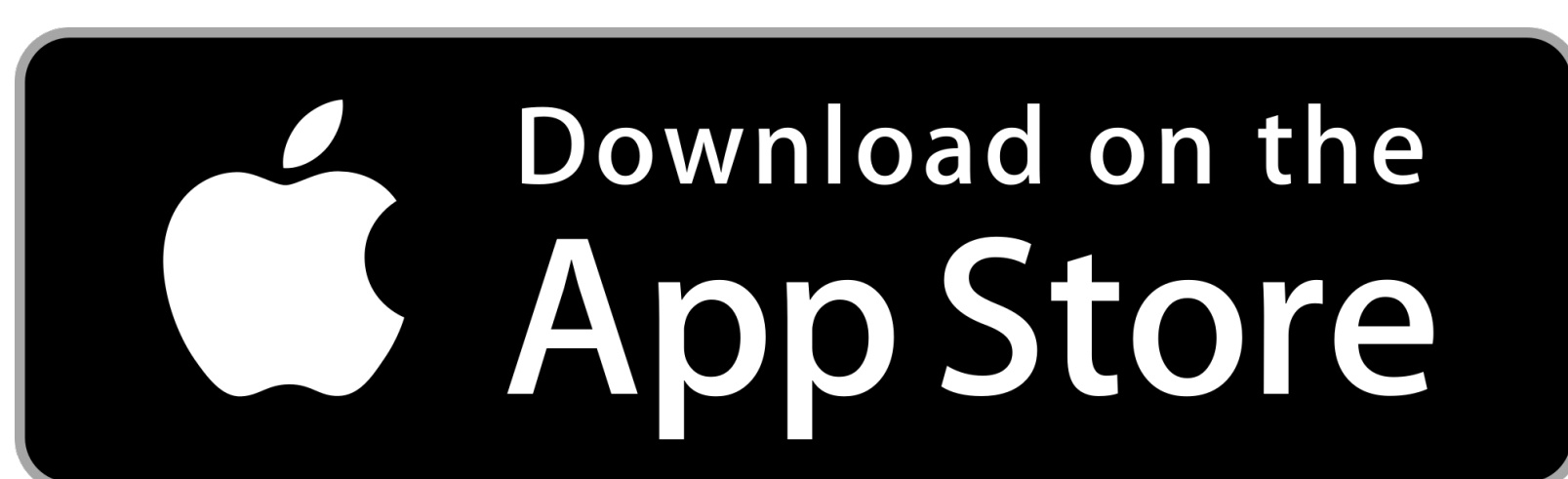
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How to install the SkoolBag App

Instructions for parents



For Apple Users

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3. Opening the app, and add your school(s) and you're ready to go!

For Google Android Users

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For more info visit skoolbag.com.au

Casino West Public School Limited Canteen Menu Lunch Orders Only



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Class.....

Please tick boxes

Hot Food

Ham and Cheese Toasted Sandwich	\$3.50	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lasagne	\$4.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Homemade Pizza	\$3.50	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nuggets	each \$0.80	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sauce	\$0.30	<input type="checkbox"/>

Sandwiches

Vegemite/Jam/Honey Sandwich	\$2.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ham and Cheese Sandwich	\$3.50	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cheese Sandwich	\$2.50	<input type="checkbox"/>

Drinks

Poppers	\$1.50	<input type="checkbox"/>
Water	\$1.20	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chill J	\$2.50	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gold Circle Can	\$2.50	<input type="checkbox"/>

Snacks

Popcorn	\$1.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Grain Waves	\$1.50	<input type="checkbox"/>

Amount in bag = Change required = Total Cost =

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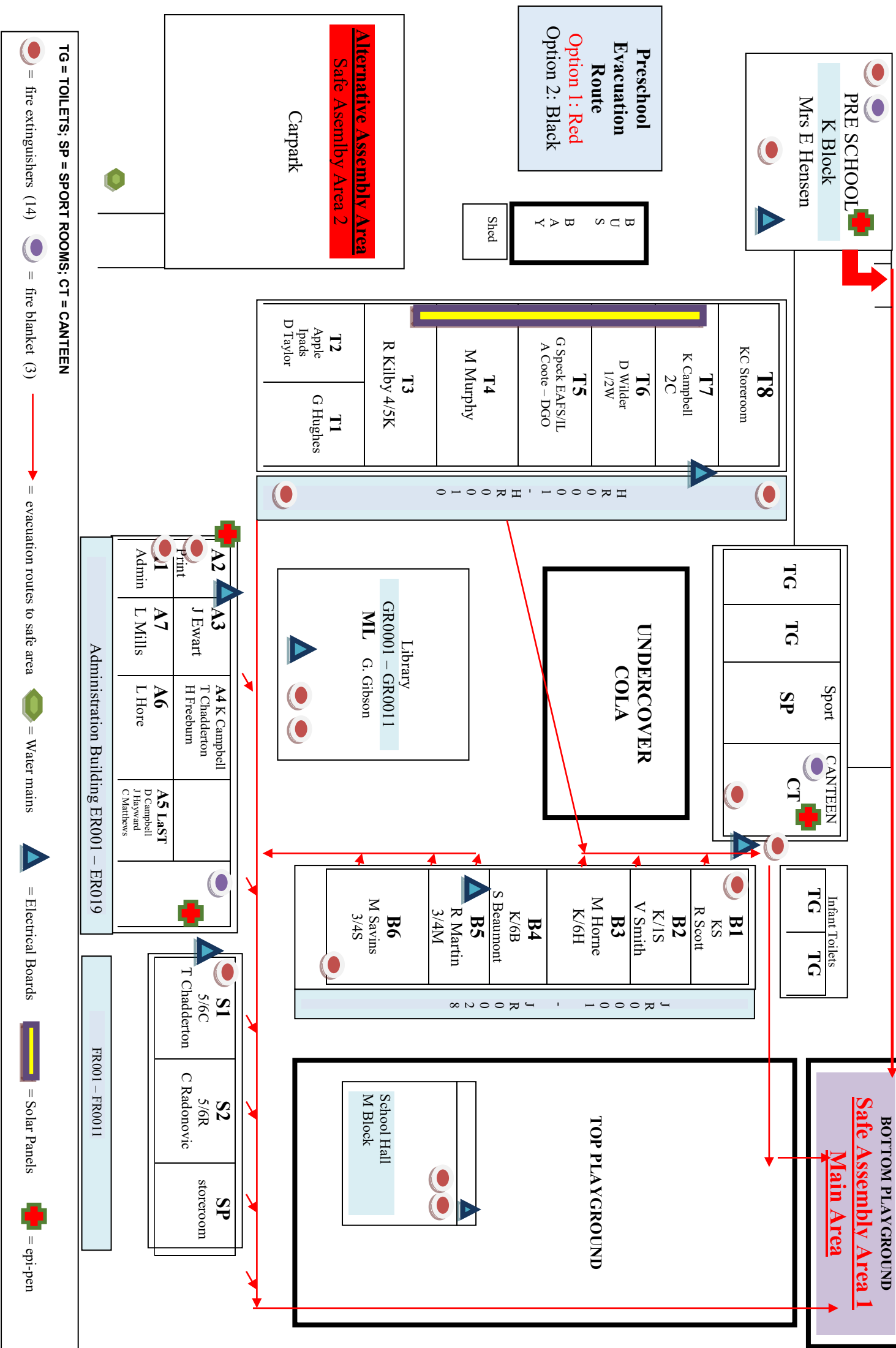
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CASINO WEST SCHOOL EVACUATION MAP 2020



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