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Federal Member for Newcastle

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**New Training Facilities for Hunter Community College**

Federal Member for Newcastle, Sharon Grierson MP, was today pleased to open new training facilities at the Hunter Community College that will improve vocational education and training for students in the Newcastle region.

Officiating on behalf of the Minister for Education, the Hon. Simon Crean MP, Ms Grierson said the project would offer students access to industry-standard equipment and facilities.

"These facilities will give College students the great advantage of training with up-to-date equipment," she said.

"It is a great honour to officially open these facilities for the Hunter Community College, which in 2010 celebrates its 75<sup>th</sup> year of service to the Newcastle region."

The extension will improve the current building by adding a new section which will include a training room and an office for a Vocational Programs Coordinator and a Business Training Coordinator. The training room will allow for daytime courses to be offered for business training needs.

The extension was funded under the Gillard Government's Teaching and Learning Capital Fund (TLCF) for Vocational Education and Training (VET): Investing in Community Education and Training.

Devised as part of the Economic Stimulus plan, the Fund has seen over \$4.2 million invested into vocational education in Newcastle.

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