

HYGIENE MEETS SUSTAINABILITY.

The first application of Duropal compact laminate in a Queensland school was at St Andrew's Anglican College on the Sunshine Coast. This is an example of Duropal Compact Laminate utilized for bench tops as well as for structural elements such as leg supports and brackets in a laboratory situation.

Since then, Duropal's Compact Laminate has burgeoned in Queensland state educational facilities because of its cost effectiveness and sustainable capabilities but also through the addition of Duropal MicroPLUS antibacterial surface and its ability to maintain hygienic standards, protecting the learning environment against bacteria and germs.

Duropal microPLUS in a Queensland Government initiative

Duropal microPLUS compact laminates were chosen by the Department of Education Training and the Arts (Queensland, Australia) for laboratories and practical areas in the recently constructed 'Smart Academy' at Griffith University on the Gold Coast.

The Queensland Academy of Medical and Health Sciences – Gold Coast delivers learning programs to senior secondary students aspiring to a career in medical and health sciences. These facilities were designed to support programs for senior secondary students as well as university undergraduates.

The practical areas illustrated provide high levels of flexibility in a new age learning environment.



Duropol microPLUS in renewal applications in Queensland schools



The Department of Education Training and the Arts also chose microPLUS as the appropriate bench medium in the renewal of laboratories in older Queensland schools. The illustration of the refurbished laboratories at Wellington Point State High School are an excellent example of how older facilities can be given a new life to assist in meeting the requirements of education today.



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Duropol compact laminates give new life to primary / secondary schools

Another interesting example of Duropol Microplus compact laminates is the refurbishment of laboratories at Cavendish Road State High School. These facilities were originally constructed in 1962 and have been given a new life by installing new benching using Duropol products. The school is delighted with the finished product and intends to refurbish additional laboratories.



The latest Duropol Compact laboratory systems in use in Australia, employ compact laminate brackets and legs as support components for these laboratories. By using compact laminate current ESD requirements are more easily met because of the absence of volatile organic compounds and formaldehyde in Duropol compact laminates. The corrosive free brackets and legs reduce life cycle costs in a harsh environment. Over 60 school laboratories and practical areas in Queensland schools have now been fitted with Duropol compact laminate benches.



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