



Early Learning Center and Elementary School Phoenixville, PA

The new facility is designed to support two grade structures in a “school within a school” format: grades K–1 in an Early Learning Center, and grades 2–5 as an elementary school. The design provides individual, small-, medium- and large-group learning areas; however, promoting every space in the facility as a learning space—areas traditionally used as corridors and learning spaces. A primary goal for the facility is creating a focus on literacy and learning in a nonstandard learning environment. In response, the design places the media and technology center at the core with all other functions radiating from it.

The new facility minimizes disruption to the existing site as much as possible and allows for green space between the building and the existing roadway. The facility will use the nearby creek and watershed for hands-on learning for students within the riparian buffer.



The new facility joins an existing campus that encompasses the middle and high schools. The “educational village” concept promotes connectivity with this existing educational community, and allows for shared resources such as roadways/bus loops, walkways, parking and playing fields.



Project in Progress

Entire school/campus building

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KEY STATS

Grades Served: K–5

Capacity: 1,229 students

Size of Site: 50 acres

Building Area: 152,500 sq. ft.

Space per Student: 124 sq. ft.

Cost per Student: \$31,910

Square Foot Cost: \$257

Construction Cost: \$39,216,795

Project Cost: \$81,000,000

Completion Date: April 2017 (anticipated)

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