



Laurel High School/Middle School

Laurel, DE

The 1,400 student, 197,117-square-foot facility was the first new school to be built in the Laurel School District in over 40 years. A critical element of the design was developing a combined High School and Middle School with distinct elements to differentiate educational programs and separate age groups while maximizing use of shared spaces. The main entries are separated by the centrally located Administration areas bookended by distinct entry points for each school to provide inviting, yet secure points of entry. The school features a 600-seat auditorium, a 1,000-seat main gymnasium and a 200-seat Middle School gym.

The facility is a focal point of community life in this small rural community and as such it was critical that it reflect community values. The rural character of the area was epitomized in the design through material selections and with the school name emblazoned on metal mesh, evoking the aesthetic of local grain silos, at the auditorium area. The building was sited adjacent to the existing high school and is steel frame construction.



New Construction/Addition

Entire school/campus building

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KEY STATS

Grades Served: 6-12

Capacity: 1,400

Size of Site: 82.43 acres

Building Area: 204,380 sq. ft.

Space per Student: 146 sq. ft.

Cost per Student: \$40,119

Square Foot Cost: \$265

Project Cost: \$54,166,586

Completion Date: April 2015

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