



HIGH SCHOOL

Covenant Day High School Matthews, NC



Completed in 2016, the new Covenant Day High School building is designed so that learning happens everywhere. It also is designed around the fact that no two students learn alike. With a diverse array of space types and sizes, the school supports 21st-century learning,

social and emotional learning (SEL) and human wellness.

To allow students to be more collaborative and self-directed, and to prepare them to be successful, 21st-century citizens, Covenant Day High School is designed with five learning typologies in mind: Think, Exchange, Impart, Create and Discover. Collegiate-like classrooms allow for traditional settings, as well as interdisciplinary learning.

Outside of the classrooms, a variety of spaces allow for individual learning (Think spaces), team/project-based learning (Exchange and Create spaces), and places for presentations or distance learning (Impart spaces).

STEM-focused, hands-on classrooms were created for exploration of the sciences, while makerspaces allow for creative invention, focused on prototyping and innovation (Discover spaces). To help promote SEL, space was intentionally dedicated for student services. This area provides space for tutoring, club meetings and informal meetings for students to connect with staff one to one. The design also incorporates "in-between" spaces that promote social relationships and collaboration among students, while private spaces offer areas to decompress and find restoration. The environment also promotes wellness through biophilic design.

The interior features transparent walls, showcasing the learning activities, but also



providing clear views to the outdoors, allowing natural light to flood the interior and link students and teachers to their natural surroundings. Splashes of color throughout the school, combined with the natural materials also helps bring nature into the interior.

The mission of this new learning environment is to recognize and transform student life, activity and achievement with a facility that supports this diversity. This environment is the creation of an Immersive Learning Landscape, which will assist in preparing students for the challenges of a rapidly evolving and changing world.

New Construction/Addition

Entire school/campus building

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KEY STATS

Grades Served: 9-12
Capacity: 450 students
Size of Site: 4 acres
Building Area: 57,100 sq ft
Space per Student: 127 sq. ft.
Cost per Student: \$22,077
Square Foot Cost: \$174
Project Cost: \$9,934,694
Completion Date: August 2016

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