



Austin Middle School Alamo, TX

Constructed on the same property as the campus it replaced, the new Austin Middle School was designed to provide a complete educational facility for grades 6–8. The 156,538 sq. ft. "Prototype" design has been previously used by the district. It houses standard classrooms, science classrooms, computer labs, a library, a cafeteria with a stage and a practice gym as well as a full gym with spectator seating, music education spaces, sports fields and support spaces.

The green design concepts that have been incorporated into this design include natural daylighting, high-efficiency lighting, regional materials and native landscaping. An insulated skylight system in the main classroom corridors and a vibrant interior color scheme in the terrazzo floors and painted walls create a positive and spirited school environment.

Although this school is a Prototype design, it is still highly customized. The site orientation was optimized based on site area, sun direction, accessibility and security. The interior spaces were still developed closely with the district for this specific location to establish the proper adjacency and separations of educational programs. The school also was customized with unique colors, patterns, materials and landscaping.



New Construction/Addition

School prototype plan

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KEY STATS

Grades Served: 6–8
Capacity: 1,000
Size of Site: 30 acres
Building Area: 156,538 sq. ft.
Space per Student: 156 sq. ft.
Cost per Student: \$21,000
Square Foot Cost: \$134
Construction Cost: \$21,000,000
Project Cost: \$23,710,200
Completion Date: December 2015

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