



COMBINED-LEVEL SCHOOL

Mica Peak High School and Central Valley Early Learning Center Spokane Valley, WA



Our lives are defined by opportunities, even the ones we miss.
- SCOTT FITZGERALD

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Transforming a vacant grocery store into an empowering educational space, housing two ends of the Pre K-12 educational spectrum, is a challenge rich in opportunity. Mica Peak High School (MPHS) and the Central Valley Early Learning Center (CV-ELC) had several previous homes throughout the district, but the buildings were always leftover spaces no longer used by the mainstream K-12 population. These hand-me-down facilities reinforced a negative identity among the students and staff in these special programs.

MPHS and the CV-ELC share the same rich diversity present in the former food market. Providing clear circulation between and within the two programs, while also celebrating the inherent volume of the building, became key drivers in the development of the design.

MPHS is broken into three programs: an alternative high school, an online high school program called I-TRACC, and School to Life—a

post-high school special needs program transitioning students to independence. The ELC provides a safe and secure environment for families who may be experiencing formal education for the first time. Students at both MPHS and the ELC have flourished in their spaces designed specifically to support their educational needs.



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Remodel/Adaptive Reuse/ Restoration

Multi-use/joint-use building/space

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KEY STATS

Grades Served: ELC (infant-preschool), High School (9-12)
Capacity: 360 ELC students (twice a day), 400 High School
Size of Site: 6 acres
Building Area: 67,680 gsf
Space per Student: 109 sq. ft.
Cost per Student: \$14,661
Square Foot Cost: \$134.71
Project Cost: \$13,000,000
Completion Date: January 2016

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