



EARLY CHILDHOOD SCHOOL/ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Annapolis Elementary School

Annapolis, MD



DANIEL LUCENTI

Remodel/Adaptive Reuse/ Restoration

Historic preservation

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DESIGN TEAM

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OWNER/CLIENT

Anne Arundel County Public Schools
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KEY STATS

Grades Served: PreK-5
Capacity: 314 students
Size of Site: 2.68 acres
Building Area: 70,316 gsf
Space per Student: 224 sq. ft.
Cost per Student: \$64,433
Square Foot Cost: \$287.73
Project Cost: \$20,232,216
Completion Date: June 2014
Sustainability Rating Status: Special requirements
for Chesapeake Bay Critical Area

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Annapolis Elementary School (AES) is the oldest continuously operational public school in Maryland. Intense collaboration with educators, parents, neighbors, historians, and craftspeople resulted in a solution to restore the 1895 AES and adjacent 1908 Brown Building, connecting them with a sensitive, contemporary addition. The project develops a 21st century learning environment featuring the historic significance of the building and site, the urban context of the State Capital and Naval Academy, and proximity to the Chesapeake Bay waterfront as learning tools.

Media center, art, and technology programs are unconventionally planned at the top level of the building to offer dramatic daily views to all students. Framed views, tactile exposure of old and new materials, and displays of the school's history are woven together with the pedagogy.

The site fulfills a prominent role in its urban context. An accessible pervious pathway system navigates community access through a park-like setting, celebrating environmental features of mature trees in a revitalized urban green space and proximity to the Chesapeake Bay and historic state landmarks. Public amenities include outdoor classrooms, play areas shared with the city, and waterfront views. A new pocket park and safe pedestrian promenade softens the Compromise Street edge.



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