

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL/INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

### Heartland Middle School Edmond, OK





## New Construction/Addition

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#### **DESIGN TEAM**

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#### OWNER/CLIENT

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#### **KEY STATS**

Grades Served: 6-8 Capacity: 1,200 students, core designed to support 1,600

Size of Site: 42 acres Building Area: 158,000 gsf Space per Student: 131.6 sq. ft. Cost per Student: \$29,166 Square Foot Cost: \$225 Project Cost: \$35,000,000 Completion Date: August 2016

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# Entire school/campus building



As the first new middle school in Edmond, OK, in 17 years, Heartland was designed after extensive research into modern learning trends for this particular student age group. During initial planning, all parties agreed that the facility's design must create an empowering environment that allows students to learn essential academic, teamwork, and collaborative skills they will need to succeed in school, in their careers, and in life.

Accordingly, the entire building is designed to serve as a teaching tool, with large and small features supporting this goal. Among these are a spacious, centrally located "learning staircase," which promotes teamwork and interaction between students, teachers, and visitors. Most classrooms contain rotating partitions with whiteboards or pegboards that can be turned to face the main commons area, providing additional interactive learning opportunities.

The school's creative departments are supported with an outdoor amphitheater and an indoor stage. Heartland's flexible design also provides a separate learning wing for eighth graders, to assist them in preparing for the transition to high school. With research indicating that many middle school-aged students have difficulty working in teams; FSB and school officials sought out a design that facilitates teamwork at every opportunity.