

ENERGY INSTITUTE

{ *from high school to corporate life* }



{ EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

THE POWER OF POTENTIAL ENERGY

When Houston ISD's Westside High School launched its Geosciences Academy in 2011, something unique was in the air.

Westside Principal Lori Lambropoulos worked alongside Dorris Richardson and the education arm of the IPAA (Independent Petroleum Association of America) to kick start this grassroots program. As the program ignited interest, HISD administrators began initiating conversations with industry leaders about the future of their workforce and what was needed to help them succeed. And an idea began to take shape: **what better place than the Energy Capital of the World to build a high school completely devoted to the energy industry?**

In 2014 work began with students, teachers, business partners, community and architects and countless others to make this dream a reality: The Energy Institute High School.

Open to all 9th through 12th graders across all of Houston ISD – Energy Institute connects academics with real world experiences in a wide range of fields, including Offshore Technology, Geoscience and Alternative Energy and core curriculum classes. Energy's curriculum is like no other high school curriculum in the country, specialized in the study of the Industry Energy.

HISD Energy Institute High School is the first school in the nation with a school-wide theme

of Energy. Energy Institute High School's (EIHS) vision for learning goes far beyond that of a traditional high school. Students at EIHS will participate in authentic project-based learning that enables them to take ownership of their education. Learners will develop essential soft skills that will prepare them for the landscape of alternative energy, geoscience, and off-shore technology careers.

The basic organizational unit for this school is the **Learning Community**, consisting of general-purpose learning centers, teachers' work center, administrative spaces, small group rooms, extended teaching area, and science learning centers/wet labs. This concept provides a learning environment that is characterized by flexibility, a **sense of community for the students and teachers working and a safe/well-supervised environment**. Teachers have the option and flexibility within a cluster to create and organize learning environments that work for students and their learning styles.

TRANSFORMATIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

During the planning and design process, stakeholders reinforced a desire for a design that would challenge the perception of a traditional high school. The facility's architecture makes a striking appearance in its design, elevating the stature of education and inspiring students to achieve. It also creates a high level of curiosity from the community about the creativity that's happening inside its walls. On approach to the main entry, it almost looks like you're walking into a company rather than a school. This was an important thread the design team wanted carried throughout the campus. The idea of the central courtyard with learning stair and writing surfaces was the idea of students who wanted an outdoor space that emulates the outdoor spaces where they intern at corporate campuses. Kids love it because it makes them feel grown up and important: "Oh my gosh! We're contributing." As you move throughout the three buildings, you'll notice a variety of collaborative teaching environments that promote innovation and give students continuous access to learning. One space that excites students and teachers is the "TED Talk" room. Students engage with industry leaders to give presentations on a world-wide platform. The furnishings and live video technology allow presenters to connect not only to the media wall and interactive TVs, but industry partners. In this information age, technology itself has torn down the typical walls that confine students and teachers to offices and classrooms: in the morning, students might be working on a project with people from Canada, and by two o'clock they might be connecting with people from Japan. "That's what we're doing. What better opportunity for students?"



{ SCOPE OF WORK & BUDGET

Situated in Houston's Third Ward community in a city that is home to more than 5,000 energy-related firms, Houston Independent School District (HISD) is paving the way for a new kind of energy boom – **industry-ready students versed in corporate culture**. Comprised of three buildings that converge at an outdoor learning courtyard the new campus supports students through collaborative learning communities.

\$29,252,878

Budget

9-12

Grades

800

Students

116,000

SF

145

SF/student

12

Acres

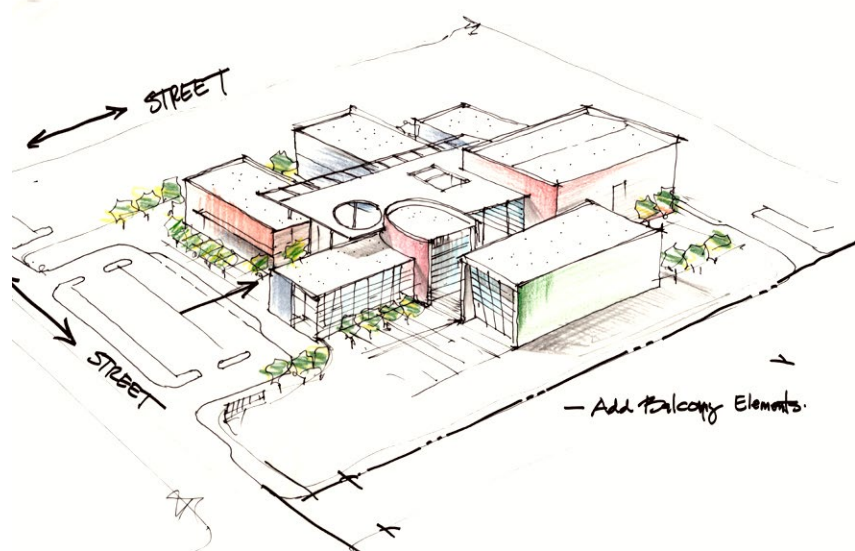
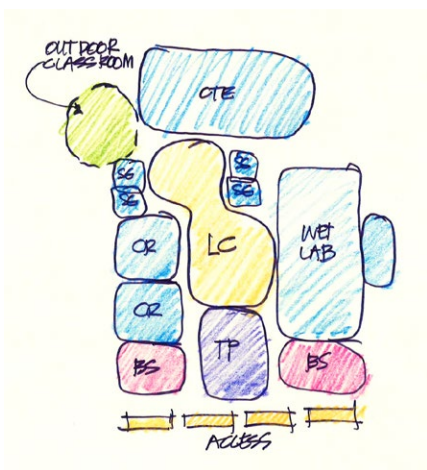
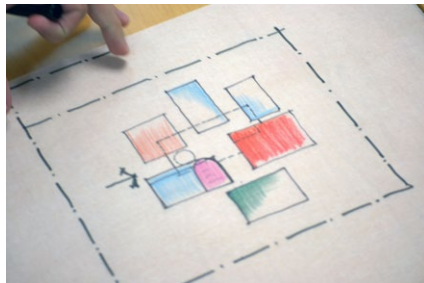


{ SCHOOL & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Energy Institute High School is a magnet high school in the Third Ward area of Houston, Texas. It is part of the Houston Independent School District and is the first high school in the nation that focuses on the energy industry. A project of this scope is a major revitalization for this part of the city.

The successful development of this project was due to the collaborative efforts of HISD, community members, industry leaders and members of the

Project Advisory Team (PAT) consisting of parents, students, teachers and administrators. The work began with the detailed development of the Educational Specifications. The design process was kicked-off with a multi-day design charrette process we call **LAUNCH**. At the **LAUNCH**, teams worked together to develop preliminary design concepts for discussion.



Energy Institute HS is committed to developing symbiotic relationships with our partners that will provide real-world project connections, relevant field experiences, industry certification opportunities, and internships. Learners will also participate in energy-focused competitions. Our partners will regularly engage through judging panels, in consultant roles on projects, and serve as learning mentors for students. Through critical collaborative partnerships and an industry support model, Energy Institute HS learners will leverage lifelong, positive relationships with the wider community, providing a truly limitless educational experience.



{ EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT

*“As principal of the first high school devoted to preparing students for careers in the energy field, my goal is to deliver **extraordinary firsts** in learning. I am thrilled to be the leader of a school that is participating in a thematic approach to the school experience – **mingling the exploration of energy careers with cutting-edge education.** What a rich learning experience it will be to connect students’ passion to their educational know-how!”*

- Principal Lori Lambropoulos



{ EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT

The schools' vision is to focus on science, technology, engineering, and mathematics while breaking the barriers of the traditional classroom. Energy Institute students will participate in the first cutting-edge school programs to integrate new ideas such as:

- For the first time, making a concerted school commitment to have students learn their core curriculum alongside both teachers and engineering professionals;
- Being among the first to use corporate level mathematical and scientific problem-solving simulations;
- Being the first high school students exposed to the concept of engineering and technology curriculum that has traditionally been reserved for the college student;
- Giving students first-time scholarship and externship opportunities through corporate partnerships;
- Being the first school in HISD absolutely devoted to remaining current, giving each student access to the most updated technological innovations in learning.

Flow into and out of the labs is facilitated by overhead garage doors.



{ EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT

Energy Institute is founded on three core pillars: Implementation of campus-wide Project-Based Learning (PBL), the incorporation of cutting-edge technology, and the integration of engaging interactions with experts and field experiences in the energy industry. Utilizing PBL within the disciplines of English, history, engineering, and science allows students to develop global graduate skills while gaining content-specific knowledge. Next, Energy Institute provides students with opportunities to interact with technology in all aspects of their learning.



Students use technology as part of their presentations.



{ EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT

OVERHEAD GARAGE DOOR
TO OUTDOOR LEARNING

POLISHED
CONCRETE FLOORS

POWER REEL
ACCESS

MOBILE
TABLES

MOVABLE WALL
FOR SPACE
TRANSFORMATIONS



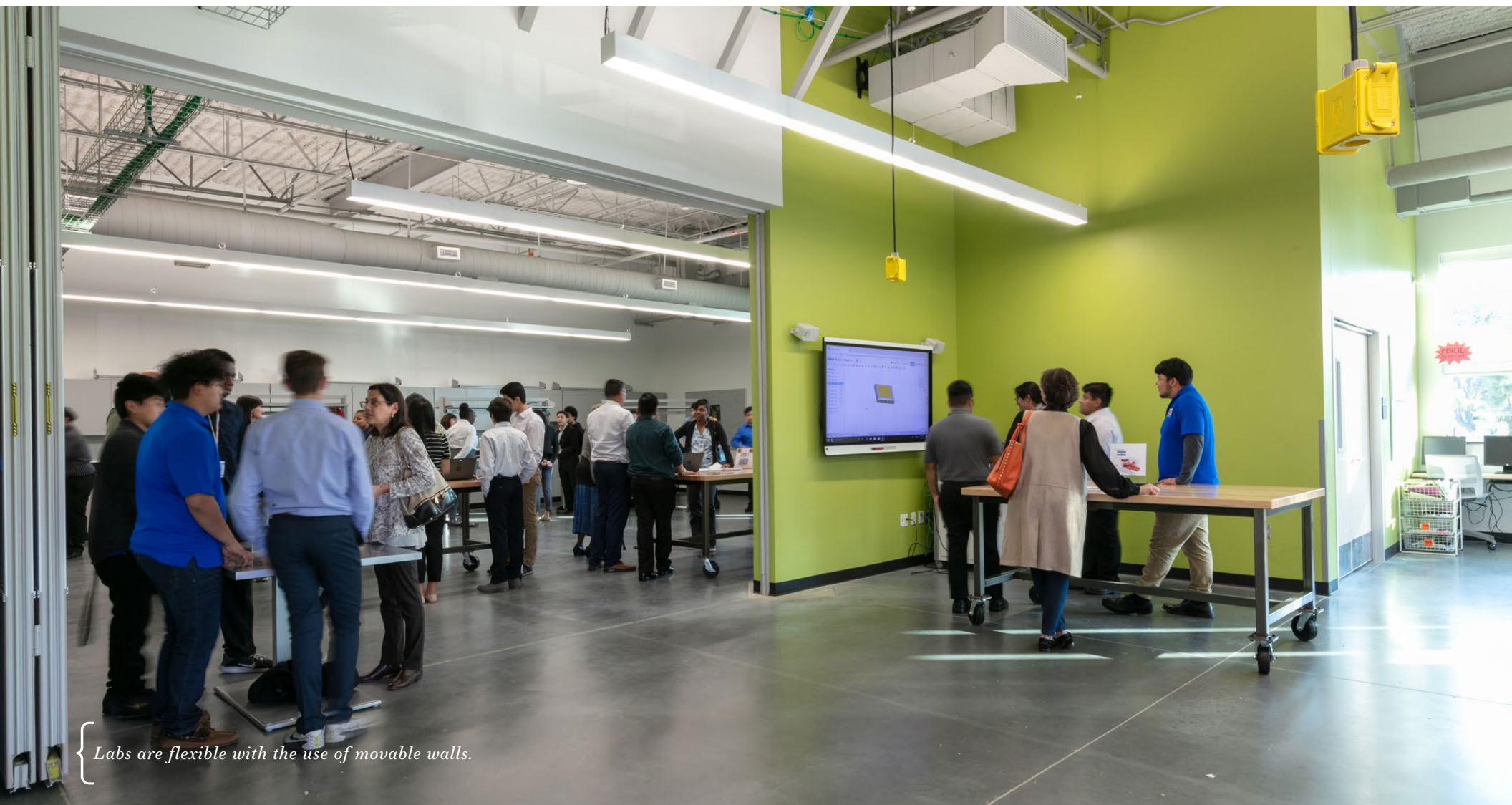
{ EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT

Energy Institute is part of the PowerUp 1:1 initiative so each student has his or her own laptop. All classrooms and labs are equipped with 70-inch Smart interactive TVs and students have access to iPads in the classrooms as well. Access to these types of technologies opens up a whole new world for students and creates a worldwide classroom.



{ PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

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{ Labs are flexible with the use of movable walls.

{ The building is designed to emulate
a corporate campus





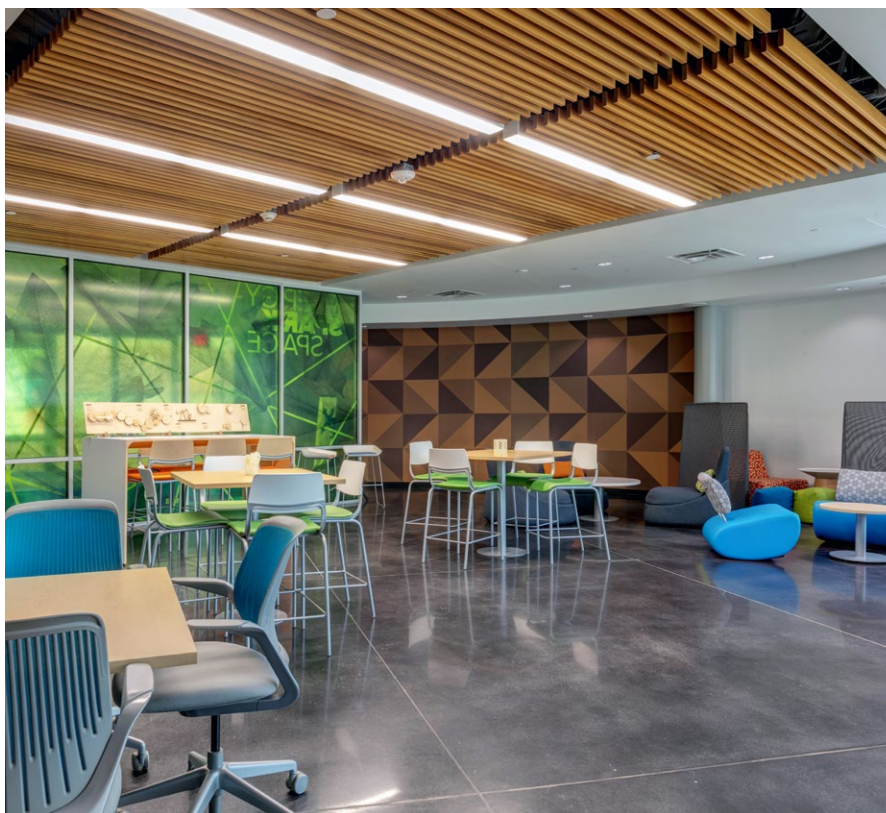
Custom designed wall graphics and inspirational quotes identify each Learning Community.

{ PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

The school is organized into four Learning Communities around a central outdoor learning courtyard that will allow students at EIHS to participate in **authentic project-based learning, enabling them to take ownership of their education.** Every effort has been taken to create Learning Community environments that are open and flexible allowing students to work in project teams. The design also allows students to have individual focus work areas when needed and space for students to collaborate with multi-media.

PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

Public spaces (dining commons, multi-purpose activity learning center, and large group instruction) have been zoned for after-hours use. Building materials consist of masonry, glass and composite metal panels organized in a manner that gives each neighborhood its own identity. By carefully studying the site, program, and user objectives, the resulting design provides a safe, aesthetically pleasing, and dynamic facility that is a community centerpiece for students, families, neighbors, faculty and staff of HISD Energy Institute High School.



An industry partner provided the budget to create and install custom artwork inside and outside the school.

The media lounge gives students a variety of seating options for working on projects or focused work.

{ PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

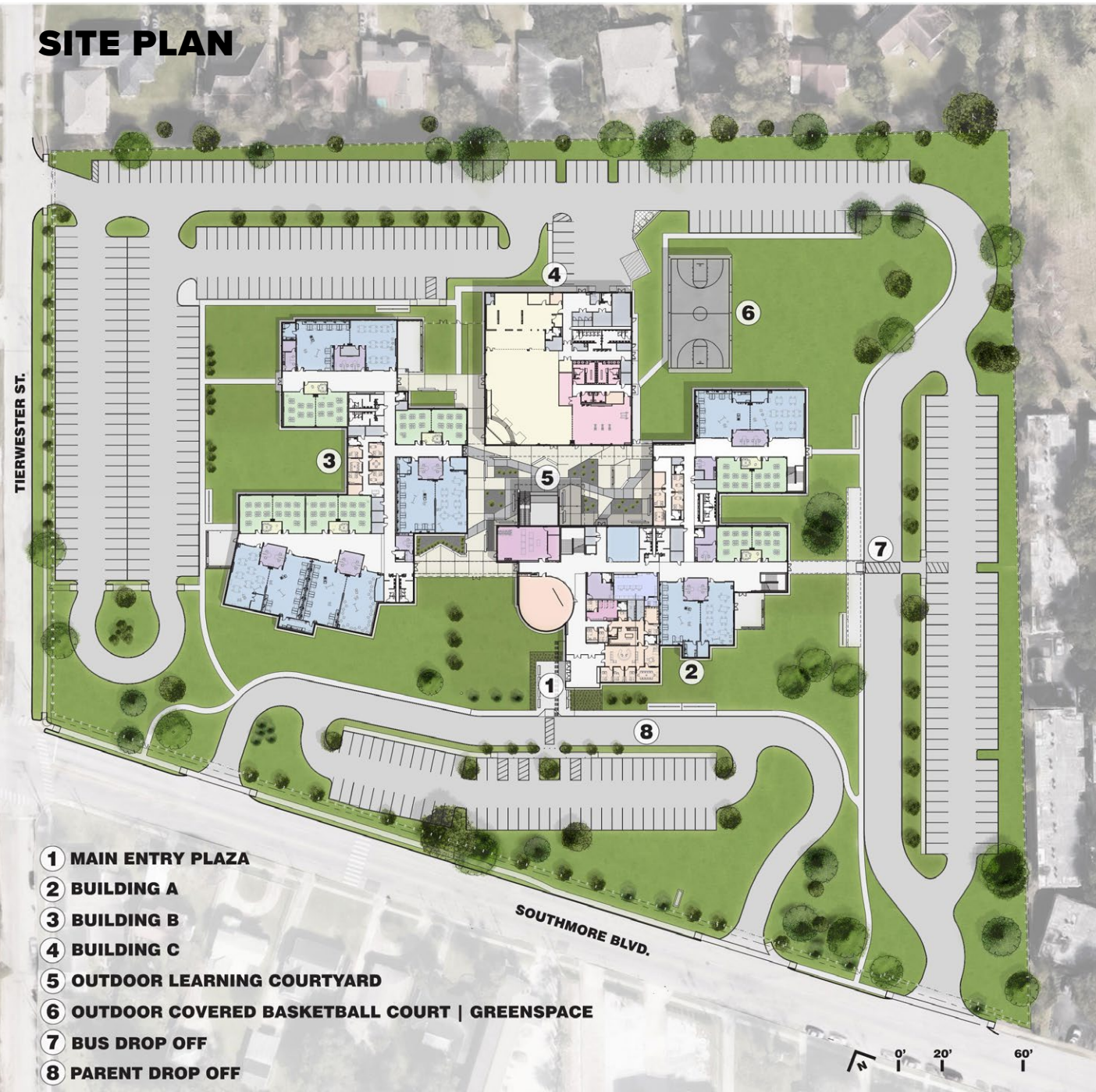
The site development achieves the following:

- Maximizes the use of green space.
- Provides for a separate parent drop-off and visitor parking lot at the front of the building.
- Separate bus loop and parking lot on the west side of the building.
- Provides security fencing around the perimeter of the site, as well as secondary security fencing at entry points to the central outdoor learning courtyard.



{ PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

SITE PLAN



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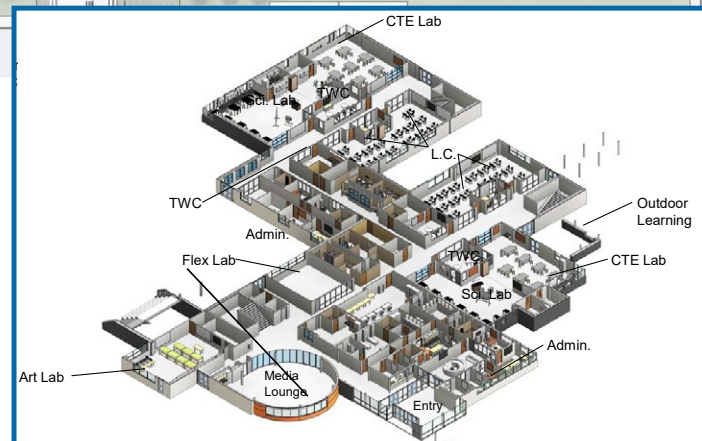
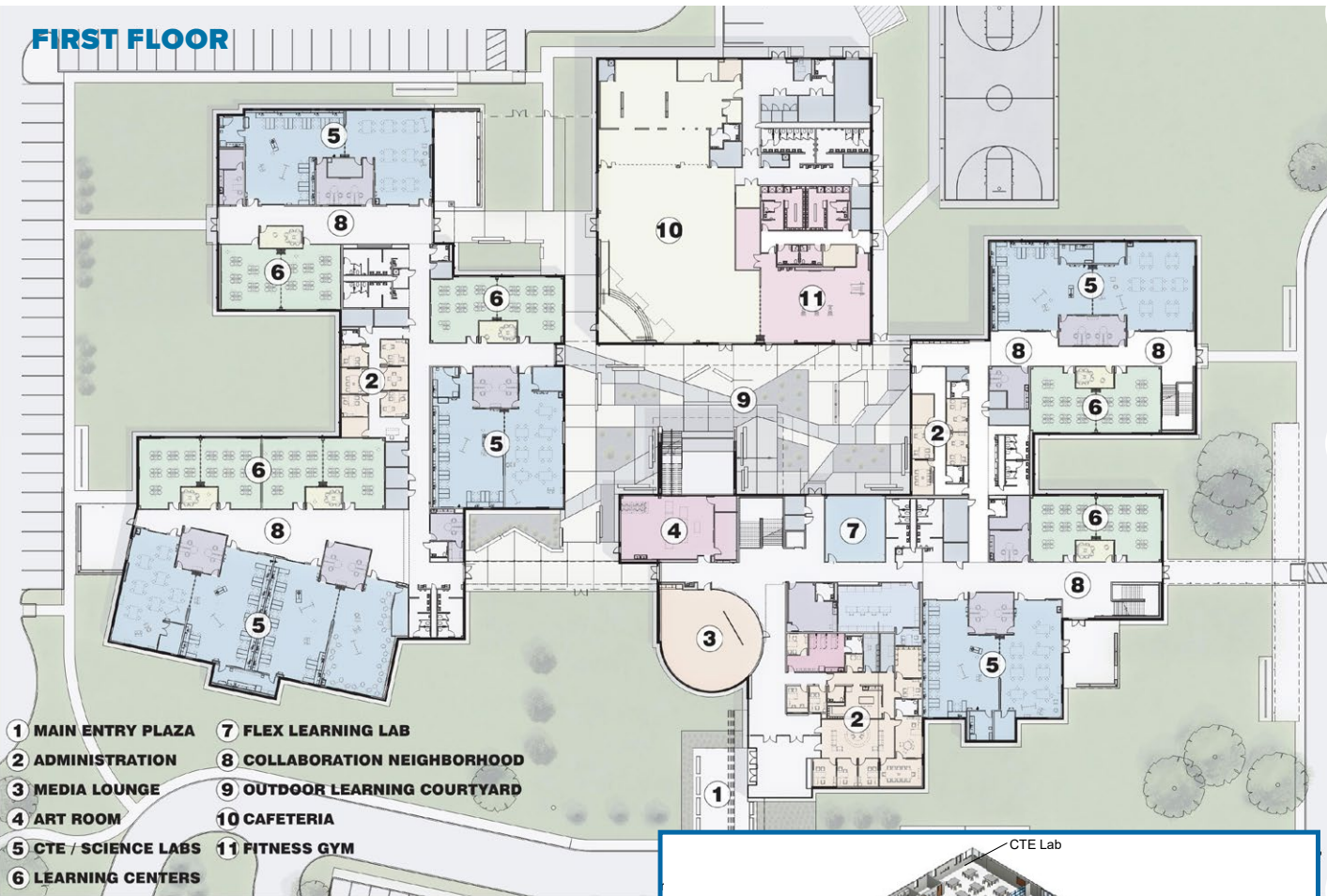


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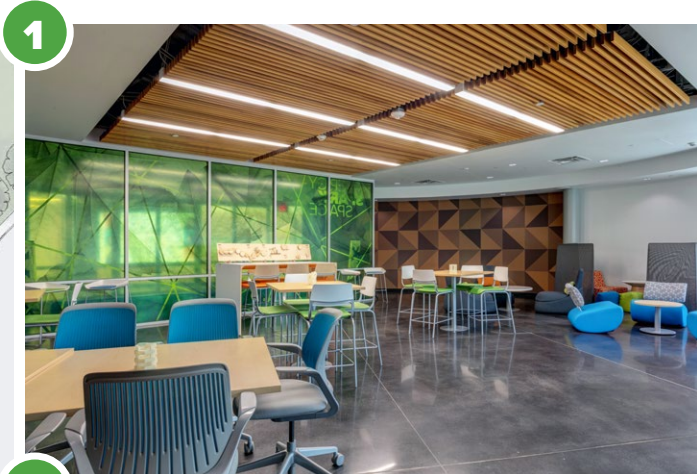


PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

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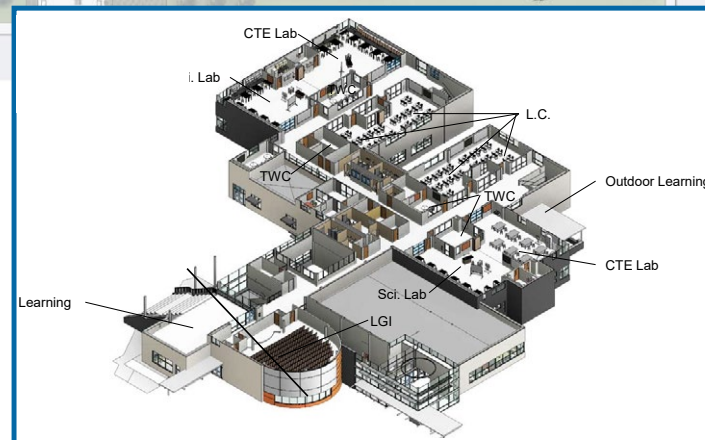
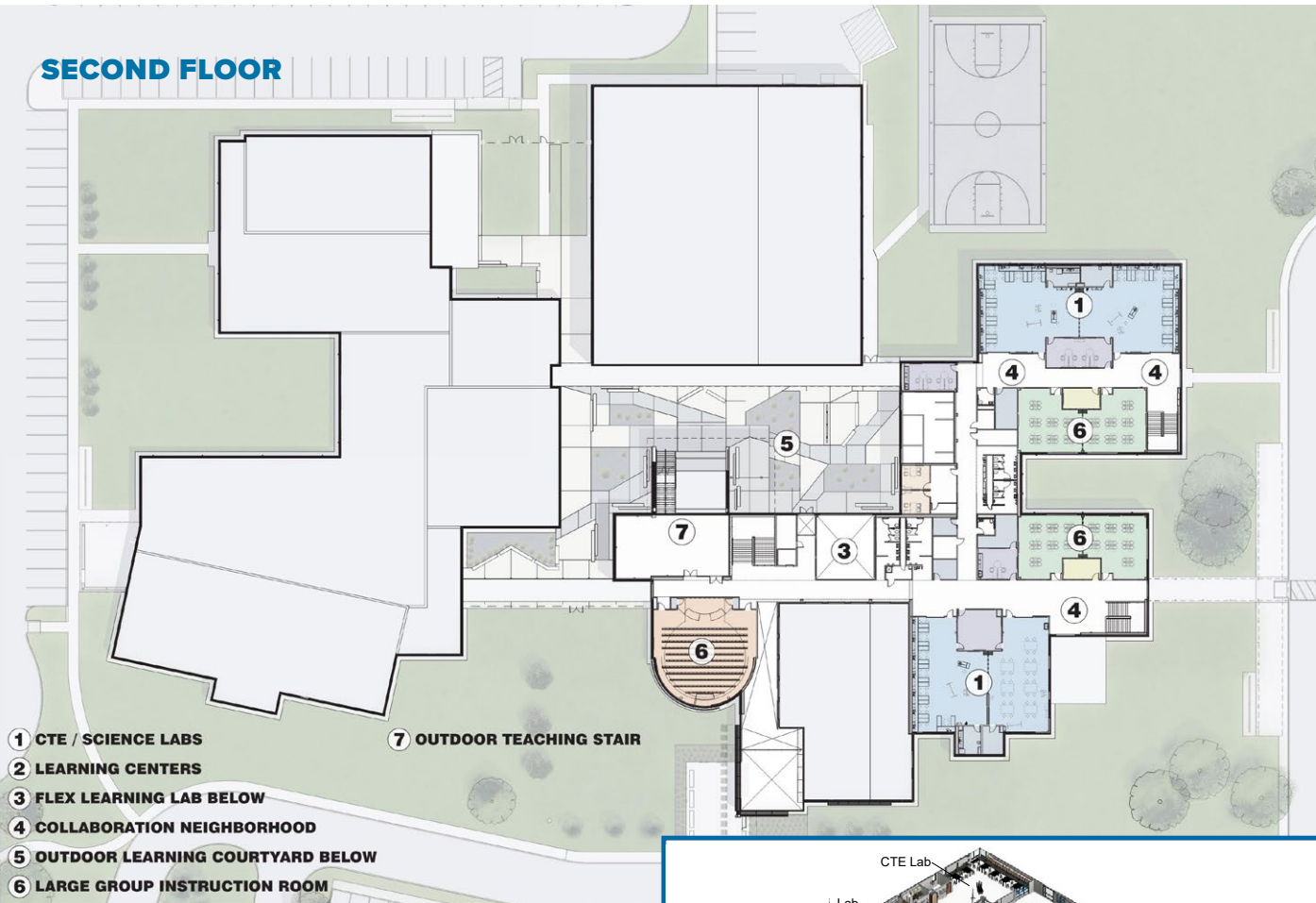


FIRST FLOOR - BUILDING A

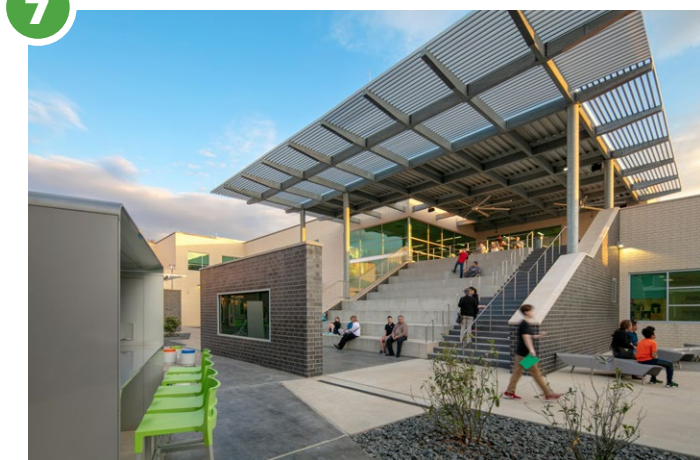


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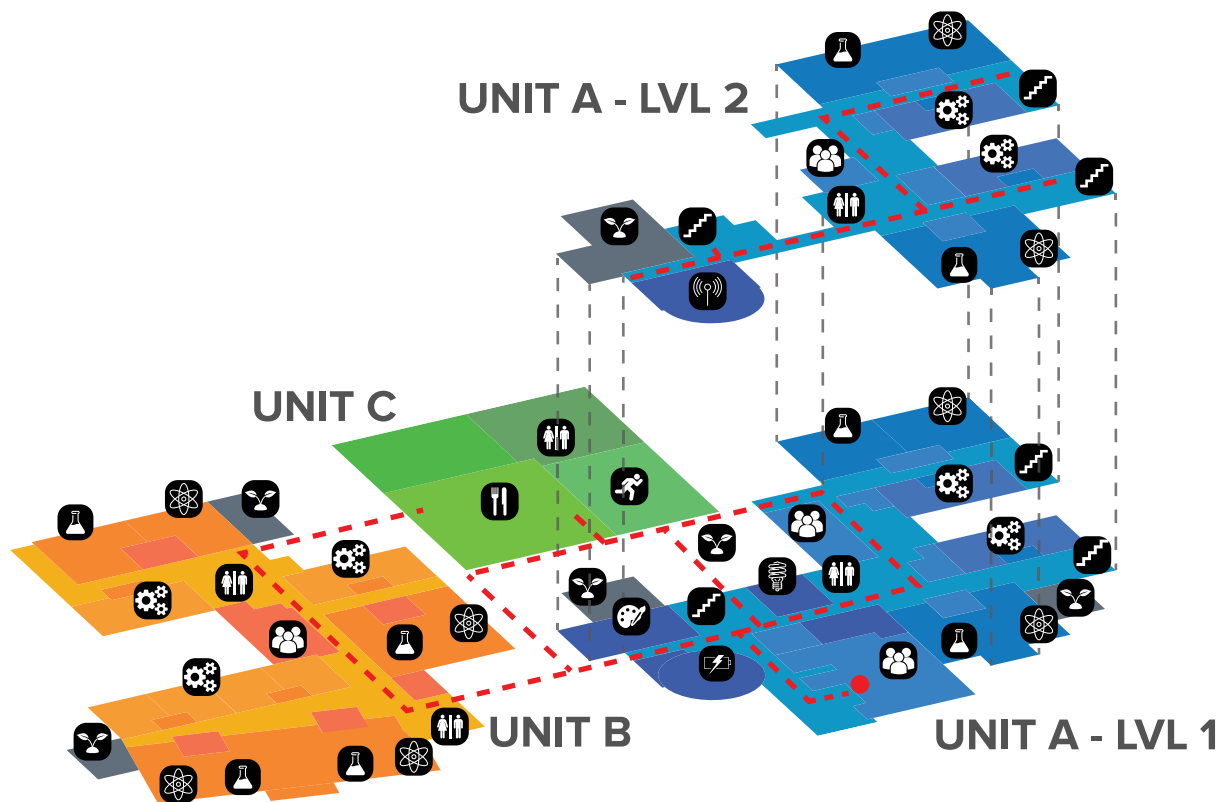
SECOND FLOOR



SECOND FLOOR - BUILDING A



{ PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT



- ADMINISTRATION
- ART ROOM
- CAFETERIA
- CAREER TECH LABS
- FITNESS GYM
- FLEX LEARNING LAB
- LARGE INSTRUCTION
- LEARNING CENTER
- SPARK MEDIA LOUNGE
- OUTDOOR COURTYARD
- RESTROOM
- SCIENCE LAB
- STAIRS



RESULTS OF THE PROCESS & PROJECT

One of design team deliverables was integrating industry into the building design. The way something looks makes a difference in how students work and in their creativity level. We pressed to ensure the building design would be conducive to the type of work students would experience as they progress throughout their careers. In a school like this, that was a tall order. It's not just STEM, it's ENERGY. Energy is electricity, energy is biomedical, energy is alternative, energy is oil and gas, energy is geo-science.



*"We've had several tours and events leading up to our school opening and industry partners come in and say, **"Wow! They're preparing kids for something more."** When you walk in and see the synergy in spaces such as our media lounge, it's definitely in line with what you might experience in a professional environment."*

- Principal Lori Lambropoulos

RESULTS OF THE PROCESS & PROJECT

The architecture team partnered with a major university and designed a phenomenological, qualitative research study aimed at exploring the impact purposefully designed learning spaces have on the high school students' engagement in learning at The Energy Institute High School.

Through purposeful sampling, students were selected for the pre and post- focus group interviews by the school administration to ensure all participants could compare their experiences in the old and new buildings.

From the research, students consistently indicated that the purposefully designed learning spaces had an impact on their learning and engagement in learning. Themes included: (1) ease of use and access, (2) learning preferences, and (3) space for collaboration.

“One of my favorite things about this entire campus is there are white boards and dry ease boards all over the place... It really helps with collaboration, when you need to jot something down or have some ideas. Also pretty much everyone has their phones on them at all times so you can take a picture once you are done and you don't have to worry about erasing other people's board...it's just really nice to have all that white board space all over the place.”



{ RESULTS OF THE PROCESS & PROJECT

*“Last year, we ran all their work on laptops and when one person is low, that means we have to go across the room to charge up and they won’t hear your ideas until after the presentation. **In this building, we have outlets coming from the ceiling and already on the table** which lets our groups stay together.”*



RESULTS OF THE PROCESS & PROJECT

*“Sometimes, if we feel like we are going to get distracted we ask our teachers if we can get into a small group room. It’s a small room right next to the actually classroom... when we are doing group work, or watching videos that everyone is going to have out loud, **[we] just to go into there and focus up with our group.**”*



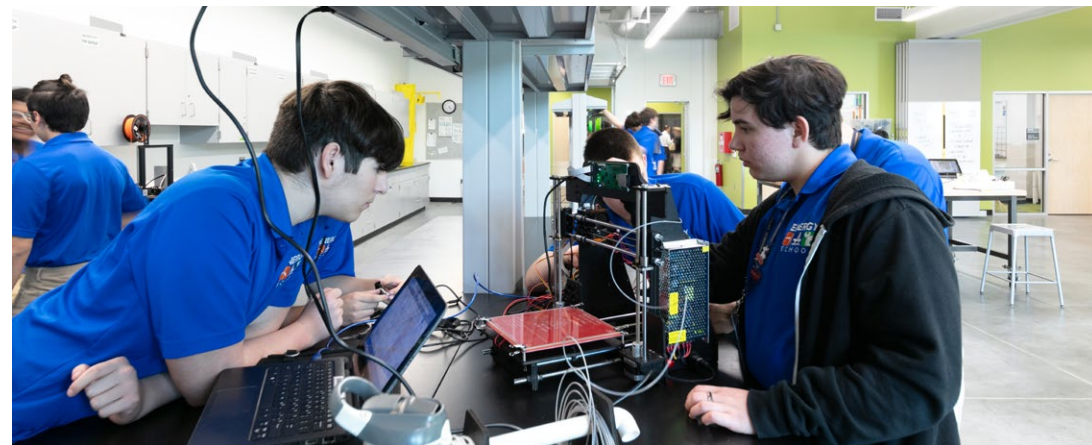


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“The extra space that we get from having flipping walls helps out a lot because generally the way we organize is we have a bunch of sub teams to like five-ish people working on different prototypes or whatever and having all of the space of two giant classrooms. It makes it so much easier for the sub teams to collaborate with each other and to go find someone that can help you.”

RESULTS OF THE PROCESS & PROJECT

Students display and demonstrate the 3D printers they built themselves.



As a project focused on energy, it was important for the building to minimize its energy use. The project is LEED Silver Certified, includes reflective roofing materials, water efficient landscaping, high efficiency HVAC system and uses Low-E glazing materials.

<p>LEED 2009 for Schools New Construction and Major Renovations Project Checklist</p> <p>Sustainable Sites Possible Points: 24</p> <p>1. Construction Activity Pollution Prevention 1</p> <p>2. Environmental Site Assessment 1</p> <p>3. Site Selection 1</p> <p>4. Development Density and Community Connectivity 1</p> <p>5. Brownfield Subdevelopment 1</p> <p>6. Alternative Transportation - Public Transportation Access 1</p> <p>7. Alternative Transportation - Bicycle Storage and Changing Rooms 1</p> <p>8. Alternative Transportation - Low-Flooring and Fuel Efficient Vehicles 2</p> <p>9. Alternative Transportation - Parking Capacity 2</p> <p>10. Site Development - Protect or Restore Habitat 1</p> <p>11. Site Development - Maximize Open Space 1</p> <p>12. Stormwater Design - Quantity Control 1</p> <p>13. Stormwater Design - Quality Control 1</p> <p>14. Heat Island Effects - Roof 1</p> <p>15. Heat Island Effects - Pavement 1</p> <p>16. Light Pollution Reduction 1</p> <p>17. 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Power is available through ceiling-mounted reels so it can be delivered anywhere in the lab



The entire building can be used for teaching.

EDUCATIONAL SPECIFICATIONS

The educational specifications evolved through a collaborative process with the school and its Project Advisory Team (PAT). It was developed by exploring program requirements of high schools with consideration for extensive flexibility to address multiple approaches to the delivery of education with evolving pedagogies.

Since new buildings are expected to serve multiple generations of learners, spaces must be planned to respond to changing program delivery strategies over time without “bricks and mortar” changes to the building. The educational specification has been prepared to provide spaces in a variety of sizes, interior zoning to enhance after-hours use, and a rich infrastructure to support current and emerging approaches to educational program delivery.

Neighborhoods	Teaching Stations	Required Spaces			SD Submittal
		Quantity	Square Feet	Net Area	
Learning Community - A	2	1	2700	2700	Quantity
Huddle Spaces/Small Group Rooms		2	4	200	Net Area
Learning Center	2	2	850	1700	Quantity Difference
Science Learning Center/Wet Lab	2	1	3256	3256	Square Feet Difference
Wet Lab Storage		1	300	300	
Storage		1	100	100	
Covered Outdoor Classroom (Square feet listed is listed as half to reflect reduced cost of non-conditioned space)		1	425	425	
Total	6			9281	9664
Learning Community - B	2	1	2700	2700	Quantity
Huddle Spaces/Small Group Rooms		2	4	200	Net Area
Learning Center	2	2	850	1700	Quantity Difference
Science Learning Center/Wet Lab	2	1	3256	3256	Square Feet Difference
Wet Lab Storage		1	300	300	
Storage		1	100	100	
Covered Outdoor Classroom (Square feet listed is listed as half to reflect reduced cost of non-conditioned space)		1	425	425	
Total	6			9281	9221
Learning Community - C	2	1	2700	2700	Quantity
Huddle Spaces/Small Group Rooms		2	4	200	Net Area
Learning Center	2	2	850	1700	Quantity Difference
Science Learning Center/Wet Lab	2	1	3256	3256	Square Feet Difference
Wet Lab Storage		1	300	300	
Storage		1	100	100	
Covered Outdoor Classroom (Square feet listed is listed as half to reflect reduced cost of non-conditioned space)		1	425	425	
Total	6			9281	9590
Learning Community - D	2	1	2700	2700	Quantity
Huddle Spaces/Small Group Rooms		2	4	200	Net Area
Learning Center	2	2	850	1700	Quantity Difference
Science Learning Center/Wet Lab	2	1	3256	3256	Square Feet Difference
Wet Lab Storage		1	300	300	
Storage		1	100	100	
Covered Outdoor Classroom (Square feet listed is listed as half to reflect reduced cost of non-conditioned space)		1	425	425	
Total	6			9281	9256

Administration/Guidance	Teaching Stations	Required Spaces			SD Submittal
		Quantity	Square Feet	Net Area	
Main Administration					Quantity
Reception, Administration		1	350	350	Net Area
Office A (STEM, Sec., Testing Co-ord.)		3	100	300	Quantity Difference
Test Storage		1	200	200	Square Feet Difference
Office C (Principal)		1	250	250	
Principal's Restroom		1	50	50	
Conference Room, Main		1	250	250	
Workroom/Breakroom		1	300	300	
Mail Room		1	100	100	
Storage		1	125	125	
Registrar/Attendance					
Office A (Registrar, Attendance, itinerant)		4	125	500	
Records/File Room		1	130	130	
Distributed Administration					
Office B (Dean)		4	125	500	
Dean Reception/Waiting (shared between two Deans)		2	125	250	
Conference Room, Small		4	150	600	
Storage		2	50	100	
Office A (Security Office)		1	100	100	
Health Clinic					
Health Clinic		1	300	300	
Reception/Waiting		1	75	75	
Office A		1	100	100	
Restroom		1	65	65	
Guidance/Student Services					
College Center		1	850	850	
Office B (College, Magnet, Counselor, SPED)		4	125	500	
Shared					
Teacher Work Center		4	1000	4000	
Multi-use/Community Room		1	425	425	
New Mother's Room		1	50	50	
Total	0			10470	10429



Distributed Learning Commons/Media Lounge - included in Learning Community	Teaching Stations	Required Spaces			SD Submittal
		Quantity	Square Feet	Net Area	
Central Media Lounge		1	1200	1200	Quantity
Learning Commons Storage		5	100	500	Net Area
Office/Workroom		1	175	175	Quantity Difference
Computer Repair/Storage Room		1	850	850	Square Feet Difference
Total	0			2725	3302
Total Neighborhoods	24			39849	41033
Career & Technical Education (CTE)					
Engineering Lab A (10th Grade)	2	1	3256	3256	Quantity
Engineering Lab B (Geoscience)	2	1	3256	3256	Net Area
Engineering Lab C (Alternative Energy)	2	1	3256	3256	Quantity Difference
Engineering Lab D (Off Shore)	2	1	3256	3256	Square Feet Difference
Lecture Presentation Hall (Seats 200)		1	1800	1800	
Podium		1	200	200	
Total	8			15024	15069
Visual Arts					
Visual Arts Wet Lab	1	1	1200	1200	Quantity
Art		1	80	80	Net Area
Storage		1	250	250	Quantity Difference
Total	1			1530	1539
Physical Education/Athletics					
Multipurpose Activity Learning Center/Fitness Center	1	1	2000	2000	Quantity
Girls/Boys PE Locker Room		2	200	400	Net Area
Student Toilets/Shower		2	200	400	Quantity Difference
Adult Toilet/Shower/Locker		2	100	200	Square Feet Difference
Office (shared)		1	150	150	
PE Equipment Storage		1	300	300	
Total	1			3450	3266

Food Service	Teaching Stations	Required Spaces			SD Submittal
		Quantity	Square Feet	Net Area	
Kitchen/Prep Area		1	900	900	Quantity
Serving Area		1	1000	1000	Net Area
Dry Storage		1	225	225	Quantity Difference
Freezer		1	175	175	Square Feet Difference
Cooler		1	150	150	
Kitchen Manager's Office		1	100	100	
Laundry/Custodial Area		1	75	75	
Locker Room/Toilet		1	150	150	
Student Dining Commons (seating for 1/3 (capacity = 200) at one time)		1	4894	4894	
Stage		1	400	400	
Control Room		1	100	100	
Dining Commons Storage		1	150	150	
Total	0			8319	8674
Custodial Maintenance					
Receiving Entry		1	150	150	Quantity
Office, Plant Manager		1	75	75	Net Area
Custodial/Maintenance Storage		1	200	200	Quantity Difference
Supply Storage		1	200	200	Square Feet Difference
IT Support		1	100	100	
Custodial Closet		3	100	300	
Custodial Locker Room/Restroom		1	75	75	
Total	0			1100	1424
Total Net Programmed Area	34			79742	81434
Building Support (38%)				30302	36733
Total Gross Square Footage				110044	118167

The schematic design has 69% of its square footage as programmed square footage and 31% of its square footage as unassignable building support square footage.

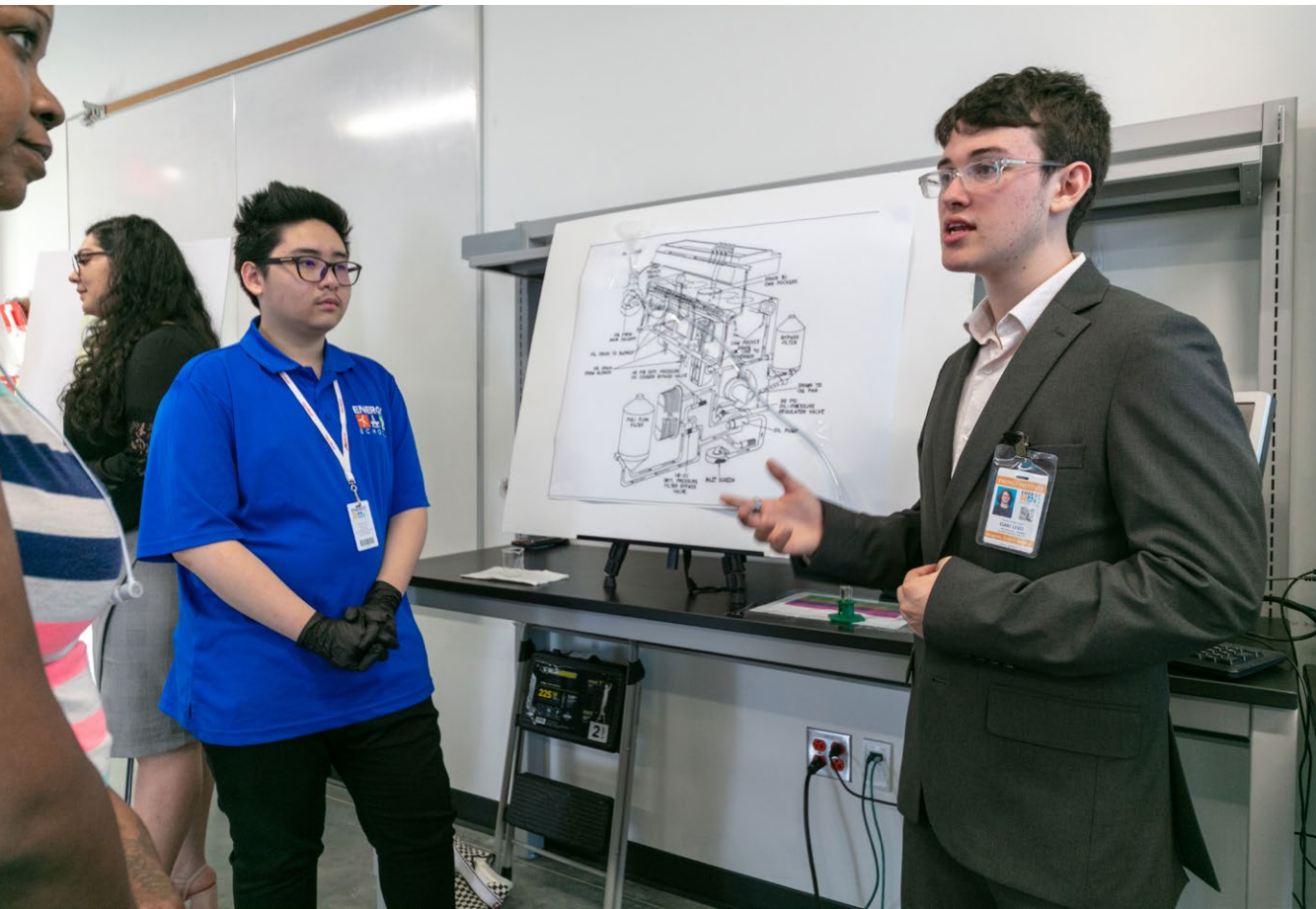
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In conjunction with Houston ISD, the architectural team, community members, industry leaders and the Project Advisory Team members focused on the importance of education and the effect it has on our everyday lives. A set of guiding Principles were developed that articulate the school's vision, values, hopes and ideals to the design team. These Guiding Principles were used to test the decisions made throughout the design process, since every element of the building must be created to support the school's vision and values.

TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY SKILLS/ PROJECT-BASED LEARNING CAMPUS:

Students at EIHS develop 21st century skills through our campus-wide implementation of project-based learning. Our space should:

- Provide open, flexible, collaborative, and creative space for students to work in project teams.
- Allow for students to have individual focus work areas when needed, and space for students to collaborate with multi-media.
- Provide presentation spaces for practice as well as professional presentations in-front of a panel of experts.



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TECHNOLOGY:

Continuously updated technology is a priority at EIHS. Our space should include:

- A school structure that lends itself to current and future technological updates.
- Technology to be seamlessly integrated into our workspaces.





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PATHWAYS

EIHS has three pathways for students: Offshore Technology, Geoscience, and Alternative Energy. Our space should include:

- Areas for students who select each of these three pathways to form a learning community.
- A way to use space within each area to highlight information regarding the pathways.
- Lab space that exceeds the needs of these specialized curriculums.
- Eco-friendly concepts that are appropriate examples of energy usage.

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ENERGY COMMUNITY

EIHS is part of a larger energy industry. Houston is the energy capital of the world. Our facility should include:

- Space that can serve as a nexus where industry and the local community can come together to develop partnerships and provide educational experiences.
- A learning community within our building where the architecture and structure inspires and doesn't limit thinking and learning. All space and structures should become part of the learning from wall to window and ceiling to floor.

TED Talk room for large presentations by students or industry professionals.





Flexible seating and writable surfaces create collaboration spaces as an extension of the classroom/lab