



Entire School/Campus
Building
New Construction

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Florence, AZ

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Type of School
and Grades Served:
Elementary School, K-8

Capacity: 1,100 students

Size of Site: 16 acres

Area of Building:
100,600 square feet

Volume of Building:
1.4 million cubic feet

Space per Student:
91 square feet

Cost per Student: \$10,295

Square Foot Cost: \$113

Cost of Construction:
\$11.3 million

Contract Date: July 2005

Completion Date: June 2007

Percent of Completion: 100%

Anthem K-8 Elementary School

Florence, Arizona

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This 100,600-square-foot mall-style school for 1,100 students features separate wings for K-5 and 6-8 students with common library, art room, and multipurpose spaces.

The under-one-roof design allows for improved security, energy efficiency, and lower construction costs.

The school includes a structural steel roof, concrete masonry, and a unique Kalwall clerestory in the gym for increased natural lighting and an attractive roofline.

The school also features a distance-learning lab, where students can participate in classes taught from the local community college.

This \$11.3 million project was built on a donated site in a master-planned development adjacent to the community center. The design team worked closely with the school district and the developer to maintain district interests while addressing enhanced features sought by the developer, who provided supplemental funding to upgrade elevations and exterior materials. Upgrades included a curved metal roof structure on the gymnasium, with clerestory windows constructed from translucent insulated panels. Site development costs were reduced by sharing ball fields and parking with the community center through an intergovernmental agreement.

Design started in July 2005, and construction was completed in June 2007. ■



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