



Entire School/
Campus Building
New Construction

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Type of School
and Grades Served:
Elementary School, Pre-K-5

Capacity: 650 students

Size of Site: 11.5 acres

Area of Building:
94,170 square feet

Volume of Building:
1.7 million cubic feet

Space per Student:
144 square feet

Cost per Student: \$20,059

Square Foot Cost: \$138

Cost of Construction: \$13 million

Total Project Cost: \$15.1 million

Contract Date: Dec. 2006

Completion Date: Sept. 2008

Percent of Completion: 98%

Leeds Elementary School

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The Leeds Elementary School was designed to be built around an existing three-story building, which was kept fully operational during construction. The existing building was then razed to provide an area for parking and drives. Since there was much neighborhood sentiment for the old building, the limestone entrance was salvaged and featured in the main entrance to the new facility. Additionally, the brick colors of the original building were matched for the new one.

The commons is the central hub of the facility. Classroom wings can be isolated, allowing access to the multipurpose room, the media center, rest rooms, and the food service area for after-hour activities. An instrumental music room can be opened to the multipurpose room and serves double duty as a performance area.

The various classroom wings are designated by color, with the colors blending in the commons areas.

Clerestory light floods the spacious commons and corridors, contributing to the bright, cheerful environment. All classrooms have outside windows; artificial light adjusts automatically in relation to the availability of natural light.

The building is designed for energy efficiency and far exceeds the requirements of the Iowa Energy Code. ■



MAIN ENTRANCE



TRANSEPT AT GRADES 2-5
CLASSROOM WING



STORYTIME NOOK MEDIA CENTER

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