



Entire School/Campus Building

Renovation/Addition/
Restoration

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OWNER/CLIENT

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Kentwood, MI

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Type of School and
Grades Served:
High School, 10-12

Capacity: 2,150 students

Size of Site: 78.5 acres

Area of Building:
391,827 square feet

Volume of Building:
8.8 million cubic feet

Space per Student:
182 square feet

Cost per Student: \$10,866

Square Foot Cost: \$64

Cost of Construction:
\$23.4 million

Total Project Cost: \$33.9 million

Contract Date: Aug. 2001

Completion Date: Fall 2006

Percent of Completion: 100%

HIGH SCHOOLS

East Kentwood High School

Kentwood, Michigan

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Educating students in a “vintage” high school, the citizens of Kentwood passed a bond issue to bring their schools into the 21st century. The existing campus contains the high school, Pine Crest Elementary, and the freshman campus. It was especially important to site the stadium and the high school addition so as to promote safe and easy access for students and public alike.

The new eight-lane swimming pool, with community and kiddie pool, was placed at the location of the existing four-lane pool to take advantage of the existing locker rooms. State-of-the-art technology is provided.

Masonry cubes anchor the covered walkways to the academic wings. The lobby entry to the school is a signature element. The pool, auditorium, and field house are internally linked by the new commons spaces and connect-



MAIN ENTRY



ENTRY LOBBY

ing corridors, which provide needed cohesiveness to the campus. These spaces also provide for circulation, student gatherings, art displays, and other presentations.

With the remodeled auditorium, activities such as theater, concerts, orchestra, and school assemblies can now be accommodated. The space seats 1,560. ■



EIGHT-LANE COMPETITION POOL

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