



Library/Media Center

Renovation/Addition/
Restoration

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Type of School and
Grades Served:
High School, 9-12

Capacity: 940 students

Size of Site: 40 acres

Area of Building:

151,810 square feet
(47,052 renovation/addition)

Volume of Building:

514,765 cubic feet

Space per Student:

161 square feet

Cost per Student: \$11,690

Square Foot Cost: \$73
(\$234 renovation/addition)

Cost of Construction: \$11 million

Total Project Cost: \$13 million

Contract Date: Sept. 2006

Completion Date: Sept. 2008

Percent of Completion: 100%

HIGH SCHOOLS

Madison High School

Madison, New Jersey

Parette Somjen Architects, LLC



EXTERIOR DETAIL

Madison High School, with a student population of approximately 940, sits on a beautiful 40-acre suburban campus. This \$11 million high school project is part of a larger, \$45 million districtwide referendum, which includes improvements to the junior school and three elementary schools.

One of the most significant additions to the high school is the new 10,000-square-foot media center, which replaces a 2,500-square-foot library. The new media center accommodates various media in support of today's diverse learning strategies and environments. Conventional stacks are located adjacent to a work area of computers, and individual reading carrels have been replaced with comfortable couches and tables of varying sizes to allow students to work individually or in groups. Breakout spaces off the media center are designed with large glazing to provide clear site lines

for students and staff, and a courtyard encourages students to study outdoors.

Other elements of the project include the upgrade of existing classrooms and science labs and the addition of science labs, a music room, an art room, an auxiliary gymnasium, and a weight room. Construction was started in 2006 and was completed on schedule and under budget in 2008. ■



MAIN CENTER CIRCULATION DESK



MEDIA CENTER MAIN SPACE

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