



Library/Media Center
New Construction

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OWNER/CLIENT

Fairfield-Suisun
Unified School District
Fairfield, CA
Jacki Cottingim, PhD,
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707/399-5000
Type of School and
Grades Served:
Specialized, Elementary/Joint Use
Library, K-5 + Community
Size of Site: 1 acre
Area of Building:
10,000 square feet
Volume of Building:
147,200 cubic feet
Square Foot Cost: \$385
Cost of Construction:
\$3.9 million
Total Project Cost: \$4.4 million
Contract Date: April 2007
Completion Date: April 2008
Percent of Completion: 100%

SPECIALIZED EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES

Suisun Library
Suisun City, California

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EXTERIOR AT TWILIGHT



MAIN READING ROOM

This new 10,000-square-foot joint use library, sited between an elementary school and a community park, was designed to revitalize the surrounding neighborhood. The key players in this education and community partnership are Solano County, the City of Suisun City, and the Fairfield-Suisun Unified School District. As a joint use facility, the library has separate entrances for the school and the community.

The design is based upon the community's clearly expressed desire to create a building that fits well in this residential neighborhood. The design recalls more traditional architecture crisply detailed in a contemporary manner. A community meeting room is a



CHILDREN'S READING ALCOVE

key element of the program.

From the initial concept, the project was designed using sustainable principles. The building features deep overhangs on the south. A large north-facing clerestory over the main reading areas allows plentiful daylighting without glare. With this thoughtful

design, the library can operate on most days with no artificial illumination in the main reading room. Windows throughout the facility are operable, allowing users to control comfort. The library also features an access floor with underfloor air supply and a flexible technology infrastructure. ■

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