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Case Study

This case study showcases the design and implementation of Grandview Heights Secondary School, Surrey, SD's new vision for transforming learning spaces.

Project Overview

Grandview Heights Secondary School is a new, modern school built to shape how we think about learning spaces. Originally planned to open in 2020 for 1,500 students, the school's debut was delayed until 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic shutting schools everywhere.

During this unexpected break, the school's team worked hard from home, preparing the school, hiring staff, and planning for a new learning experience once schools opened. The goal was clear: to ensure everyone—students, teachers, and the community—was ready for a fresh start and a new way to learn together.





Their Objective

With a clear statement in mind: "where everyone is someone," this school aimed to make its classrooms flexible and unique, especially when COVID-19 changed students' learning. Grandview Heights Secondary School utilized comfortable and flexible seating options to create a learning environment that fosters collaboration and individual study. This approach catered to the diverse needs of students and teachers, allowing them to switch between focused work and group activities easily.

Creating a Student-Centered Environment

The innovative design using pod-style communities and open-concept learning environments created the right space where everyone is someone.

Better Flexibility and Accessibility

Classrooms are equipped with mobile, adaptable furniture for easy rearrangement, which could support all kinds of learning activities, which every student could benefit from.

Community and Inclusivity

Expansive, multi-use spaces such as the Atrium, gathering halls and dance studio helped foster a better sense of community and belonging for all students.

Technological Integrations

State of the art learning spaces with the latest technologies encourage students to inquire, be curious and excel at teamwork.

Furniture That Empowers

- The design focused on creating areas that foster inclusivity and diversity.
- Our designs aim to represent the values of respect, care, kindness, and dignity.

Community Always Goes First

- The furniture encourages students to work in groups, supporting the school's focus on collaboration and teamwork.
- The setup of classrooms and labs with movable and adaptable furniture for a learning experience that values inquiry and curiosity.

Everyone Belongs

- The design aims to educate children, empower communities, and protect the environment.
- Adaptive furniture
 equals equity in the
 learning environment.

Artcobell's Unwavering Commitment

Artcobell is committed to providing high-quality furniture tailored to meet the unique needs of teachers and students in American schools. Our products are manufactured in the USA, and we actively support local communities. Our furniture is rigorously tested to meet or exceed industry standards and has been certified by SCS Indoor Advantage Gold IAQ. For your comfort, we offer a 12-year warranty against any manufacturing defects.

Beyond manufacturing, we commit to a larger objective: to foster sustainable business practices. Our commitment to responsibility is demonstrated through our focus on Responsible Product Design, Responsible Sourcing, Responsible Manufacturing, and maintaining a Responsible Workplace. This program shows our dedication to our customers, our community, our employees, and the world we live in. Our unique combination of quality, locality, and responsibility sets Artcobell apart and defines our mission.

Chairs Designed for Learning

Artcobell offers a range of chairs tailored to the dynamic needs of classrooms. From the Cantilever Chair to the Swivel Stool, each piece combines ergonomic design with durability, ensuring comfort throughout the learning day. Their four-legged options and task chairs are built to foster engagement and mobility, accommodating the diverse needs of students and educators alike.





Versatile Desking Solutions

With various choices like the Adjustable Cantilever Desk and the T-Leg for Shape Tables, Artcobell's desk collections cater to varying educational activities. Their designs, including sit-to-stand desks and mobile cubbies, prioritize flexibility and adaptability, supporting educators in creating multifunctional learning environments.

Interactive Learning Spaces

Artcobell's innovative furniture pieces, like the Trek and Wanderer series, are designed to promote collaboration and active learning among students. Soft seating options such as sofas, wedges, and crescent shapes encourage comfortable, engaging group discussions and teamwork, reflecting a modern approach to classroom design.





Storage and Organization

Artcobell provides a wide range of storage solutions to complement the learning environment, including the Maker Space Cabinets and Mobile Shelves. These storage options are designed for efficiency and accessibility, keeping materials organized and readily available to both students and teachers and enhancing the overall functionality of the classroom.

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