



PARK CROSSING 2013 PROJECT PROFILE



- 165,390 Sqft ;
- 54 Acres
- 1,100-1,200 Student Capacity
- Projected \$34 Million

"The manner in which students are engaged in the learning process reflects varying learning styles of a contemporary teaching and learning model of instruction. Today's teaching and learning model contrasts sharply with the traditional approach based on very rigid and homogeneous learning spaces. Therefore, our goal at Park Crossing was to create a classroom environment that reflects this new learning paradigm. We wanted the physical space to be flexible and reconfigurable to facilitate collaboration, mobility, and intentional movement between the teacher, and small learning groups. The classroom furniture solutions provided by Cox Commercial Interiors, met our goal, and added value to the process along the way...both in terms of enhancing a contemporary approach to teaching and learning indicative of varying learning styles of a diverse student population."

Superintendent Barbara Thompson
Montgomery Public School System

Park Crossing is the first newly constructed school in Montgomery since 1968. Until the grand opening of P.C.H.S. in 2013, there was not a High School on the east side of town to support the growing community.

Superintendent Barbara Thomas wanted to create a flexible learning environment with movement to support the new learning paradigm. Furniture that could be easily reconfigured, and moved to keep pace with this active learning model was needed.

This project provided an ideal opportunity for Cox Commercial Interiors to demonstrate our 'consultative' custom approach to meet the Ms. Thompson's vision. We researched several state contract manufacturers that could provide product to support collaborative, reconfigurable and product based learning.



PRODUCT APPLICATIONS

Student Desks
Student Chairs
Flip/Nest Tables
Media Shelving
Stools
Soft Seating

Storage
Powered Tables
Workstations
Guest Seating
Task Seating
Administration Casegoods

SOLUTIONS



Ms. Thompson wanted the classrooms to be bright, inviting and reflect the school's color.

The "Boomerang" shaped student desk was selected as the design make it quite easy for teachers to divide students in teams at a moment's notice.



The Student Chair received a 'custom' color treatment to match the new school. This chair is designed to help the body move more regularly and naturally. It is also designed for heavy use, so it couldn't be better suited for this application. It is better for our bodies to keep moving; movement of the body activates the mind.



While the Student chair certainly energized the classroom, the Cafeteria with game day dining, is the centerpiece of the install. Ms. Thompson wanted a nontraditional aesthetics both in color and product in the Cafeteria. Therefore, this space was given a 'food court' design. It's the type of design that the student will experience in college and in their future work environment. The furniture color choice is neutral with pops of color provided by the café stools. The selected stacking chairs were not attached as in traditional cafeteria spaces.





The Media Centers of today are not only repositories for books, but in this digital age, student needed furniture to support use of computers, and ipads.





Complementary products were also needed such as administration desking, soft seating with tablet arms in the library will give students a chance to lounge comfortably with their computers,





Cox Commercial Interiors coordinated the ordering, delivery and installation while working around the new facility's construction. The Project Manager was on-site to manage the delivery of the many tractor-trailer loads of furniture. Our install team assembled and coordinated the placement of furniture in completed areas as they became available. As a result of 'teamwork' the installation was completed in time for the start of the 2013 school year.



Products were installed in classrooms, private administration areas, distance learning labs, music/choral rooms and everything in between.

Park Crossing High School, with the vision of Superintendent Barbara Thompson, is on the forefront of the new learning paradigm.

