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New Lyndhurst Middle School Opens to Students



Lyndhurst, NJ: On October 13, 2020, the ribbon will be cut on the new Lyndhurst Middle School – the first new school to be built in Lyndhurst Township in nearly 85 years.

Upon entering the new school, students will be greeted by a 21st Century learning facility designed to meet the most current educational standards and pedagogies. The new building is truly designed to be a complete learning environment for all. Through a dynamic collaborative design process, abundant innovative learning spaces that support modern teaching methodologies can be found throughout the school. Almost every space was

examined for its potential to serve as a learning environment. Break-out spaces located in corridors outside of classrooms, think tanks, and the grand "learning stair" in the central student commons all promote engagement, discovery, group problem solving, and the open sharing of ideas. Students are also able to take advantage of numerous outdoor classroom spaces and inviting shared spaces such as the media center and expansive student commons. The \$53 million facility was built on Matera Field off Marin Avenue on a 5.4-acre parcel of land. The site affords spectacular views of the New York City skyline.

Designed by Di Cara | Rubino Architects, the 145,000 SF school is built to accommodate 650 students for grades 6-8. Some of the notable features of the new school include a three story academic wing, a visual and performing arts theater, and a full size gymnasium. Additional athletic amenities include an auxiliary gym, locker rooms, weight room and a full-size synthetic turf athletic field with adjoining roller hockey rink. The academic facilities include science labs, a state-of-the-art culinary arts facility and 27 active learning classrooms, many of which will be dedicated to instruction in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM). Technological amenities can be found all



throughout the school, with classrooms boasting the latest AV and IT features, WiFi service and charging stations, and a massive video display screen made up of multiple LED monitors located in the central student commons.

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