

La Academia de Estrellas Charter School | Dallas, TX Project Management

100,000 SF
433 Students

Architect: McCarthy Architecture
Pre-K through 8th

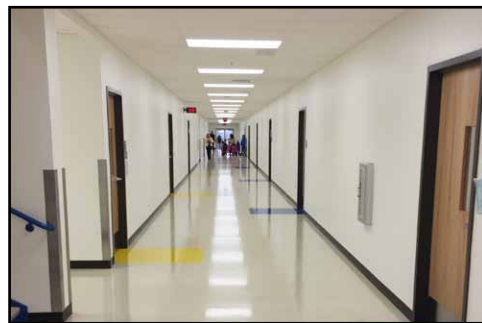
Objective

La Academia de Estrellas Charter School, serving grades Pre- K-8, was established in 2003 to provide innovative learning opportunities for students by honoring diverse cultures, languages, backgrounds and academic abilities. The school was occupying temporary space in multiple locations, mainly church facilities, when it hired a design build contractor for their new consolidated facility. During the design phase, the School retained Building Solutions as the Owner Representative to address challenges they faced in meeting their budget, quality, and schedule goals. After facilitating adjustments to the project delivery process, construction began within 3 months and was scheduled for completion in 9 ½ months.



Services

Building Solutions brought vital technical knowledge to the owner's side of the table, enabling the School to overcome schedule, city entitlement, and contractor-capability issues. When initially engaged, the owner risked postponement of the project for an entire year, possibly jeopardizing the School's ability to serve its current constituents. We also obtained the necessary resources to resolve the major challenges, from those in our professional network. Under Building Solutions leadership, the design and construction team was reconstituted to meet lender requirements, and the project redesigned slightly to fall within budget parameters that allowed it to move forward immediately. The project team was selected, zoning issues resolved, and the building redesigned and constructed in a period of 12 months.



Project

The project includes the construction of two (2), two-story buildings, totaling 100,000 square feet of classrooms, performing arts, gymnasium, library, dining and administration. The buildings are constructed of concrete tilt wall and punched windows, with masonry features.

