



A Master Planning Achievement

"When we started talking about developing a master campus plan we quickly realized that we needed help. What should we put in the RFP to the architectural firms? What should we be looking for? What were the right questions to ask? We needed someone to "stand in the gap" for us. That's when we turned to Building Solutions. They not only helped us find the ideal architect, but they've stood by us throughout the process."

Karl Sjolund | Head of School | St. Andrew's Sewanee



St. Andrew's-Sewanee School (SAS) is a co-ed, Episcopal, boarding and day, college preparatory school currently serving 250-300 students in grades 6-12. SAS recently sought guidance from Building Solutions in developing a Campus Master Plan to support their 25-year vision. Building Solutions was hired to organize and orchestrate the selection of the master planner and to manage the master planning process. In this capacity, they participated in charrettes, assisted in phasing methodology, and provided conceptual cost estimates; all of which influenced building design and fundraising strategy. Head of School, Karl Sjolund stated, "Building Solutions has served as our advocate, making sure we are asking the right questions and getting the right answers." SAS utilized information provided in the facility audit report (completed by Building Solutions) which assisted mapping the long-term facilities and capital needs to support the school's mission. This proved to be a valuable tool for their Master Plan by providing critical information about the existing buildings to substantiate master planning decisions. The assessment identified buildings for remodel or replacement and listed defects which, if addressed, would prolong the lives of buildings that may not be replaced for several years.

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