



Youngstown City School District Taft Elementary School Youngstown, Ohio

The Youngstown Taft Elementary School is a 59,000 square foot grade K-4 facility located in a dense residential neighborhood in the City of Youngstown. Surrounding homes are of the “Craftsman” vernacular and were a primary influence in blending this school into the fabric of the community. Grade levels are grouped by building wings, and way-finding is achieved through the use of color and unique art-glass patterns within the floor tiles. A multi-purpose 7,000 square foot Gymnasium & Cafeteria incorporates a large folding partition system to create flexibility for small group use as well as large school-wide functions – a space plan that was not part of the OSFC Design Manual prior to this project. Cost was \$8 million. Designed while partner with HSA.



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