

# Press Release

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DM Berg Consultants, P.C. is working on the following educational projects:

## **Acton Boxborough Regional High School, Acton, Massachusetts**

The project will be completed in September 2004. A new two-story addition and several other small additions were added to the existing high school totaling approximately 104,000 square feet. The existing 222,500 square foot school was also renovated to accommodate a projected school population of 2,050 students by 2010-2011.

The new additions were constructed of a concrete slab and steel joist floor system supported by concrete masonry bearing walls. The building was founded on conventional poured in place concrete spread footings. Extensive structural renovations to the existing building were required to accommodate new architectural and MEP upgrade requirements. Lateral wind and seismic loads are resisted by concrete masonry shear walls.

Other improvements to the school building included updated kitchen and 'food court' style cafeteria, a relocated and expanded media center, new art classrooms, new computer facilities, life safety and handicapped accessibility upgrades as well as new administration and counseling suites.

Site improvements called for six refurbished play fields, parking to accommodate 575 cars, new tennis courts, re-configured bus loop and improved site circulation routes.

The architect is Design Partnership of Cambridge, Inc.  
The contractor is TLT Construction.

## **Medway High School, Medway, Massachusetts**

The new 212,000 square foot high school is scheduled to open in September 2004. Both three-story classroom wings, the gymnasium, and the auditorium are generally comprised of reinforced masonry shear walls. The building "core", including the cafeteria, two-story atrium, media center, and main entrance common areas were designed and are constructed of structural steel framing.

The gymnasium contains an elevated running track that transitions from beam and column supported floor system to a wire structural strand supported track. The elevated track is hung from specially designed structural steel trusses spanning over 100 feet across the gymnasium.

The architect is Design Partnership of Cambridge, Inc.  
The contractor is Eastern Contractors.

### **South Boston Harbor Academy Charter School, Dorchester, Massachusetts**

This project consists of the renovation/reconstruction of both an existing high school and an existing convent to be connected via a new one-story infill addition. Construction is underway for the new school which will be approximately 46,500 square feet.

The new linked building's entrance connects to various levels of the existing high school via a new masonry elevator with an exposed arched steel roof and a new cantilever canopy.

The architect is Arrowstreet, Inc.  
The contractor is Peabody Construction.

### **Additional Educational Projects DM Berg is working on:**

- Medfield High School, Medfield, Massachusetts
- Memorial Elementary School, Medfield, Massachusetts
- Pembroke High School, Pembroke, Massachusetts
- Pembroke Middle School, Pembroke, Massachusetts
- Reading Memorial High School, Reading, Massachusetts
- Wellesley Middle School, Wellesley, Massachusetts

DM Berg is also currently working on **Harrison Commons** in Boston with Bruner/Cott Associates; **Charleston Lofts** in Chelsea with Neshamkin French Architects, Inc.; **Lawrence Mills** in Lowell with The Architectural Team, Inc.; and **Beacon Hill Residences** with CBT Architects.