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21ST CENTURY CLASSROOMS

Transformational Learning Environments

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How do you hope to modernize your school facilities?

QUESTION ONE

Q: What learning styles are your educators using?

NOTES:

INGENUITY
AT WORK

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Ensuring Youth Comes First

Incorporating 21st Century Learning principles into school facilities is a practice that puts students first. These efforts can take different forms, but when strategically implemented, they can be the difference in connecting with students of all ages and abilities.

QUESTION TWO

Q: In what ways has/is education changing in your district?

NOTES:

SOUTHLAND
VIRTUAL TOUR

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Staying Connected

How you communicate is just as important as what you communicate, even when the right audience is identified. Using tools like 360° virtual tours enables school districts to take community members through their facilities to share strengths and areas of improvements.

CASE STUDY
Southland Public Schools, Adams, MN

QUESTION THREE

Q: What are some of the areas in your schools that are adapting through smaller changes with targeted impacts?

NOTES:

REFERENDUM + ENGAGEMENT VIDEO

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Engaging with the Community

Sustaining engagement with the community and its stakeholders is a great way to build support for facility improvements and curriculum efforts and goals. Working with the community throughout the year—even when design and construction projects aren't in the immediate future—helps ensure support for your schools.

CASE STUDY

NRHEG Public Schools, New Richland, MN

QUESTION FOUR

Q: How could your community be more engaged in what's happening in your schools?

NOTES:

VISUALIZATION REEL

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Visualizing Improvements

Planning successful school improvement projects takes considerable planning and coordination. Being proactive by working with teachers, students, and administration enables districts to better tie curriculum and learning practices with facility design and operation.

QUESTION FIVE

Q: What are the ways that you have successfully modernized your school facilities?

NOTES:

UNIQUE TOOLS

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Passion.
Purpose.
Drive.

KEY TAKEAWAYS

Q: Let's take action! How can you use innovative tools, identify strategic partners, and build community interest in the application of 21st Century Learning principles?

ACTION ITEMS:

ISG INGENUITY AT WORK

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A focused leader and designer, Kevin Bills guides successful educational facility projects to meet long-term operational, maintenance, and facilities planning needs. Kevin is a strong advocate for 21st century learning practices, and his approach to design in PreK-12 schools balances personalized learning, security, efficiency, and flexibility in each facility by blending innovative technology and basic building needs with state-of-the-art designs. Leading coordination between ISG's multi-disciplinary team and partner school districts, he works diligently to promote a highly collaborative process that places each community's needs at the forefront of design.

PREK-12 EXPERIENCE

Westby Performing Arts Center
Westby, WI

Cochrane-Fountain City School District
Fountain City, WI

Rochester Public Schools
Rochester, MN

Red Wing Public Schools
Red Wing, MN

Janesville-Waldorf-Pemberton Public Schools
Janesville, MN

Mt. Vernon Community School District
Mt. Vernon, IA

Stewartville Public Schools
Stewartville, MN

300+
EMPLOYEES

280+
PREK-12 PROJECTS
SINCE 2017

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TOP 500
2019 ENR FIRM

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