



# East Providence High School

**Phase 1 School Construction**  
**Phase 2 Athletic Fields**  
East Providence, Rhode Island



## Project Summary

The new East Providence High School construction program is a culmination of a five-year effort by the entire East Providence community to transform one of the state’s oldest and most impaired facilities into a modern, 21st century learning environment and community asset. After receiving RIDE approvals, the district and school building committee embarked on rapid team selection and commencement of design. Construction began in 2019. The new, state-of-the-art 306,562 sq. ft., comprehensive high school officially opened in the fall of 2021. Career technology pathways, academic space and state-of-the-art athletic and performing arts are integrated throughout the four-story building and surrounding athletic fields. Phase 2 athletic fields upgrades will be completed in the fall of 2022.

**Kathryn Crowley, Superintendent**

**Roberto L. DaSilva, Mayor**

**School Committee Members**

Joel Monteiro, Chair

Jenni Azanero

Jessica Beauchaine

Max Brandle

Charles Tsonos

**Project Team**

Peregrine Group, LLC in partnership with CGA Project Management  
*Owner’s Project Manager*

Gilbane Building Company  
*Construction Manager*

Ai3 Architects  
*Architect*

## ABOUT THE PROJECT



**\$189.5 million**  
Project Cost

**306,562**  
Square Feet

**Fall 2021**

Phase 1 Completion Date

**Fall 2022**

Phase 2 Completion Date

**1,600**  
students  
Grades 9–12



**\$95.3 million**  
Total State Support



**20%**  
Housing Aid  
Bonuses

**74.4%** Final  
Reimbursement Rate

**\$16.5 million**  
Pay-As-You-Go  
Funding



## Bonuses Realized & Valuable Outcomes

### HEALTH & SAFETY

- The original building was classified by engineers as operating on “a wing and a prayer.”
- One failure in the 70-year old building’s electrical, HVAC or sewage system would have led to a closure of weeks or months.

### EDUCATIONAL ENHANCEMENTS

- The original building had a single science laboratory serving 1,600 students. There are now 11 science laboratories.
- Each classroom has state-of-the-art technology to enhance teaching and learning.
- All spaces are climate controlled to ensure a comfortable environment at all times.

### REPLACEMENT

- The original building was constructed in 1952 and was not conducive to modifications.
- The sewage system, which traversed the quarter-mile length of the building, was close to failing, which would have created a massive hazardous waste issue.
- The HVAC system was antiquated, was not energy efficient and lacked appropriated controls.
- The extensive windows were not energy efficient.
- The administrative offices were located for 1952 needs when there was minimal concern for security. The new building resolves all of these issues.

### NEWER & FEWER

- The savings in combining the Career & Technical Center programs with the high school involve not only finances, but also student time in moving between two buildings.
- Combining the two programs (traditional program and career & technical training) in one building will foster an integration of learning programs to benefit students.

*“The magnificent new school building has been a morale booster for the citizens of East Providence, as well as for the faculty and students. Townie Pride is a tangible East Providence characteristic, and the new building gives that characteristic a concrete image.”*

*— Kathy Crowley, Superintendent*