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## Fulton Elementary School

Aurora, Colorado

Client	• Aurora Public Schools
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Budget	• \$4 million
Completion	• August, 2004

Fulton Elementary School is located in an older neighborhood in Aurora, Colorado. The area has begun to see an influx of immigrant families bringing new vitality and new challenges to this part of the city that borders Denver. Last year 77% of the students were non-English speakers and the school was seeing an average of three new students per week. Temporary buildings were used to accommodate the burgeoning student population. The original school was built in 1952 with additions in 1956 and 1965. Capacity was limited to 406 students. Current enrollment is approximately 580.



We worked with the Design Advisory Group, comprised of teachers, parents, and school administrators to develop a program and list of priorities for the expansion.

A clearly defined entry as well as school identity were important. The addition and renovation also includes a new cafeteria/kitchen, new media center and computer lab, and additional classrooms. The school now accommodates 600 students and has given the neighborhood a vibrant new face.

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