



Proviso Township High School District 209 selected zpd+a as project manager to oversee the conversion and expansion of a five-story office building in Forest Park into a specialized academic facility for grades 9 through 12, the Proviso Mathematics and Science Academy. The project team's priority was to improve upon the existing layout to provide an inspiring and safe environment for the students and staff.

The primary program consisted of general classrooms and lecture break-out rooms; music, science, art and computer labs; physical education, multi-purpose and staff resource areas; a cafeteria and assembly area; and a kitchen and servery. Included in the program was the planned relocation of District 209's administrative offices. Large stair towers were added to provide easy access to fire exits that accommodate the larger building population. In addition, an existing parking lot and street crossing were improved in order to provide students and staff with safe access between the Academy and designated parking and drop-off areas. (Core and Shell architect: Legat Architects; Photography: Patsy McEnroe.)

Project:
Proviso Township High School
District 209
Mathematics & Science Academy
Adaptive Re-use

Size:
260,000 sq. ft. / 8.56 acre site

Value:
\$40 million

Status:
completed 2006

Type of Services:
Project Management



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