



DE LA SALLE INSTITUTE MASTERPLAN

MASTERPLAN FOR HISTORIC PRIVATE HIGH SCHOOL LOCATED ON A DENSELY POPULATED URBAN CAMPUS

CLIENT De La Salle Institute | **LOCATION** Chicago, Illinois (Bronzeville)

PROJECT SCOPE

De La Salle, a 130-year-old historic educational institution in Chicago's Bronzeville neighborhood, remains deeply rooted in its South Side location at 35th and Michigan. To address evolving academic programs, aging infrastructure, and inadequate athletic facilities, De La Salle embarked on an ambitious expansion. Eckenhoff Saunders' master plan leverages an available site across Michigan Avenue, forging a cohesive campus identity and incorporating a technology-rich learning environment, a championship-quality stadium, increased parking capacity, and enhanced accessibility.

The new academic building, situated across Michigan Avenue and linked to the existing campus by a glass-enclosed bridge, expands the school's academic space by 50%. This modern facility employs the latest educational technology, featuring an all-laptop learning environment. Additionally, a state-of-the-art performing arts complex, complete with traditional and black box theaters, will serve as a valuable resource for the entire community. The master plan aims to achieve LEED Silver certification, underscoring De La Salle's commitment to sustainability.