

Shawmut Design and Construction celebrates topping-off for Belmont Day School project

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Belmont, MA Shawmut Design and Construction joined Belmont Day School on April 9th for the topping-off ceremony of the new mixed-used building, The Barn.

Set to open in fall of 2018, the new 26,000 s/f building is designed by architect Utile Design and is set to accommodate a large indoor flexible athletic field house with a two-story head house containing a wood shop, innovation lab, a science classroom, two art studios, general purpose space, offices, locker rooms, and reception areas. The field house is sized for two side-by-side dual-use basketball and volleyball courts with multiple garage doors that open out to two outdoor tennis courts. The project will also feature a host of exterior improvements to the campus which were designed by engineer Stantec and include a new driveway, walkways, upgrades to the two main athletic fields, and a thoughtful landscaping package.

The field house will be constructed of a pre-engineered steel building with an insulated corrugated metal wall system.

The design embraces this corrugated metal building cladding for the head house, with a playful composition of window openings that give each of the five identically-sized classrooms a unique character. The new Barn will add considerably more curricular and extra-curricular space for students, faculty, and community.

"We're proud to be part of such a collaborative development at Belmont Day School," said Kevin Sullivan, vice president at Shawmut. "Our team worked closely with the school and Utile Design to ensure the design of the building would complement the form and scale of the existing campus."

"The Barn is the result of an extraordinary amount work from a phenomenal team, and it advances our commitment to a whole child education: academics, arts, and athletics in a world-class facility," said Brendan Largay, head of school at Belmont Day School. "We cannot wait to see the students take full advantage of all that the Barn will provide."

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