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## **ARC and RFS Engineering complete 118,000 s/f Laconia middle school**

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ARC/Architectural Resources Cambridge, Rist-Frost-Shumway/RFS Engineering, and Harvey Construction Corp. have completed a new 118,000 s/f building for Laconia Memorial Middle School. The three-story building, which includes classrooms, administrative spaces, a library/media center, cafeteria and kitchen as well as a gymnasium and multi-purpose room was occupied this month by students and the faculty. The new building serves grades six through eight and will accommodate up to 750 students. The new building replaced an existing 1961 facility on the same site.

"We just completed the final phase of the project. Phasing of demolition and new construction was required in order for the school to remain occupied during the construction process," said Henry Reeder, FAIA, Principal-in-Charge of the project at ARC. "The project was designed to be a sustainable or 'green' building in accordance with the New England Collaborative for High Performance Schools (NE-CHPS)."

Harvey Const. served as general contractor for the project. RFS served as the MEP, structural and civil engineer.

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