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## **O&G and SLAM join the town of Groton at groundbreaking**

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Shown (from left) are: Kemp Morhardt, SLAM; Mike Zuba, Milone & MacBroom; Amy Samuelson, SLAM; Darien Overton and Dave Dickson, Milone & MacBroom; Mike Walsh, CES; and Jack Butkus, Arcadis.

Groton, CT On Tuesday, April 23rd, a groundbreaking celebration of the new 155,000 s/f, \$66 million Groton Middle School, was attended by state and local officials, school administrators, teachers, project leaders, and community members. Designed by The S/L/A/M Collaborative (SLAM) and constructed by O&G Industries, the project is estimated to be completed for occupancy in summer 2020.

SLAM has completed programming, design, documentation, interior design, structural engineering, and cost estimating services for the school. Consulting Engineering Services, Inc. will provide mechanical, electrical and plumbing services; Milone & MacBroom will provide site design and engineering; and Guillen Technology Consultants (GTC) will provide AV/IT and security.

The new school launches the first of three projects in the Groton 2020 School Improvement Plan that will consolidate the middle school level, permitting the two existing middle schools to be repurposed as elementary schools. Construction of the 155,000 s/f school commences in April on vacant land north of the existing Fitch High School, forming a middle/high school campus.

In addition to work on the Groton Middle School, O&G and SLAM have partnered on 35 other projects in the state since 1963, ranging from higher education, public and private education to corporate and healthcare. Recent notable projects include The Gunnery, Weaver High School, Waterbury Career Academy, Eastern Connecticut State University, Bradley International Airport, and WCHN New Milford Hospital.

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