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Autumn Haze Colonial Facebrick

CCSD59 • Elk Grove Village, IL

This unique project is known as the Professional Development and Administration Center School District 59 (CCSD 59). It replaced an underutilized District 59 asset (the site of a long-since demolished school) with a professional development center designed with spaces intended to model the teaching and learning practices expected within the District's classrooms. Public, Private, and Back-of-House program zones were created to meet the District's Professional Development Training, District Administration, and Facility Maintenance space needs. The design solution creates overlapping common (shared) spaces among the zones, fostering spontaneous interactions, small group meeting opportunities, hoteling, and flexible workspaces. Multiple flexible spaces accommodate training groups ranging in size from 1 to over 100, with many options in between. Several outdoor spaces are provided as an extension of the training, dining, and spontaneous interaction spaces.

The Community Consolidated School District 59 employs over 800 full-time employees serving nearly 75,000 residents and covering roughly 24 square miles. ARCON was engaged by CCSD 59 to plan and design a building on an existing, underutilized, CCSD 59 property that would support their employee professional development and training needs, office space for the district administration departments, and



the district central warehouse and maintenance departments. The challenge was to plan a single facility that would allow each of these three programs to function independently yet coexist to the extent that shared space efficiencies could be realized.

The aesthetic goal directive for the new Professional Development and District Administration Center was to provide a building with a civic presence yet a welcoming feel while remaining contextual with a pre-existing civic campus. Anchoring the southwest corner of Elk Grove Village's civic campus, the building adopts exterior brick colors, blend range, and a masonry wall layering approach from its neighbors. The two-story scale of the masonry building and formal yet welcoming entry mimics the approach used throughout the campus.

The brick chosen was Glen-Gery's Autumn Haze Colonial Utility brick was selected as the primary field brick, matching the brick on the existing village hall, police station, and fire station buildings of the civic campus. The warm tones and range provide a balance of civic presence with a warm, welcoming environment, fulfilling the Project Aesthetic Goals.



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