

SHAPING FUTURES

RUSD Highgrove Elementary School Improvements Project



"Tilden-Coil Constructors truly cares about our kids! They show this in the dedication they give to building great facilities and the support and attentiveness to our staff to make it all happen."

*- Ana Gonzalez,
RUSD Director, Planning and Development*

Shaping Futures at Highgrove Elementary School

Highgrove Elementary School’s motto is, “No Excuses!” Embracing that same motto, Tilden-Coil Constructors delivered Highgrove’s newly enhanced campus on-time and on-budget. Through Riverside community’s support of Measure O, the vision of Riverside Unified School District (RUSD) leadership, and Tilden-Coil’s solution-focused approach, Highgrove Elementary students now enjoy an enhanced learning environment.

Originally constructed in 1956, Highgrove Elementary now features a new two-story classroom building, a new single-story classroom building, modernization of six existing classroom buildings (including new HVAC, restrooms, windows, doors, ceilings, casework, lighting and finishes throughout), a new parking lot, playground, student drop-off and electrical service yard.

Board of Education

We would like to recognize the RUSD Board of Education for their leadership in making this project a success and shaping the futures of students for generations to come.

RUSD Highgrove ES Quick Facts

Architects: Ruhnau Clarke Architects

Delivery: CM Multi-Prime

Building Size: 41,515 sf

Completion: July 2020

Scope: New classroom buildings, building improvements, parking lot, playground

Board Members

- Brent Lee, President
- Dr. Angelo Farooq, Vice President
- Dale Kinnear, Clerk
- Kathy Allavie, Member
- Tom Hunt, Member

The Improvements

RUSD engaged Tilden-Coil under a CM Multi-Prime agreement for preconstruction and construction services. Delivering 41,515 sf of new and modernized facilities on an active elementary campus in fourteen months required a collaborative approach with the Architect, Ruhnau Clarke.

In this shared spirit of “No Excuses,” the Tilden-Coil team and their trade partners overcame a six-week structural steel design delay. The Tilden-Coil team took a hands-on approach to overcome the delay by reviewing each steel column and provided design input to meet structural requirements. After re-sequencing the schedule, and accelerating certain trades, the delay did not impact the critical path.

“Communication was open, transparent and timely for all issues—the wins and the challenges. Information helped the client make good decisions. Tilden-Coil’s field experience is priceless—not something that can be taught.”
Philip Valadez, Owner’s Representative, RUSD



Further adding pressure to the schedule, all existing electrical/data in the modernized buildings was originally planned to remain. RUSD authorized a change for new electrical/data and the Tilden-Coil team responded with a design-build approach to incorporate this enhancement throughout each of the six modernized buildings. Similarly, the team met RUSD’s desire to simplify the mechanical design with a re-design that timely obtained the commissioning agent’s review and concurrence.

Tilden-Coil meticulously managed costs for budget savings allowing RUSD funds to repaint the campus portable classrooms and replace the staff parking lot. Focus on meeting the budget and schedule was critical—equally critical was the focus on safety.

“Tilden-Coil has been an amazing company to work with. The teams I have worked with have been attentive and very involved in the projects. They have pushed my projects to complete on or before scheduled completion dates. As well as pushing schedules, they are very aware and informative with budgets and changes keeping me apprised of change orders and allowance usage. I look forward to working with the teams in the future.”
Eric Walker, Assistant Director Facilities, RUSD



Safety

Tilden-Coil effectively leads a culture of safety through teamwork where everyone (1) takes responsibility for safety, (2) intentionally recognizes safety as an integral part of executing work and (3) is aligned with and committed to safe practices. This safety culture resulted in nearly 72,000 work hours and fourteen months of construction with zero OCIP claims and zero safety incidents! A Keenan & Associates Risk Control Specialist, the OCIP Administrator for the Riverside Unified School District, formally recognized Tilden-Coil and RUSD for their exceptional safety results.

Together, RUSD and Tilden-Coil Constructors are shaping futures for students at Highgrove Elementary School. What an impactful partnership!



Partners

Great accomplishments require great partnerships! Tilden-Coil recognizes those exceptional prime contractors who played a major role in completing this project:

- Best Contracting Services, Inc.
- Caston, Inc.
- Conserve LandCare
- Empyrean Plumbing, Inc.
- Infinity Structures, Inc.
- Inland Pacific Tile
- JPI Development Group, Inc.
- K & Z Cabinet Company, Inc.
- KAR Construction, Inc.
- Lee & Stires, Inc.
- Mathews Mechanical
- Preferred Ceilings, Inc.
- Riccardi Floor Covering, Inc.
- RIS Electrical Contractors, Inc.
- RVH Constructors, Inc.
- Simmons & Wood, Inc.

“The Tilden-Coil Construction Management team for the Highgrove Elementary School Renovation project was competent, professional, and easy to work with. The knowledgeable staff was intimately involved with the day-to-day construction operations, proactive in solving any issue(s) that arose and communicated well with all parties. Coordination with the Inspection Team was above average and thus possible issues were easily avoided. I would look forward to working with this team again on future projects.”

- Chris Williams, Southland Inspection (IOR)



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