



About East Lake Academy

In Fall 2001, East Lake Academy opened its doors with, grades Kindergarten through third and two full time teachers. The idea of a pair of Chicago area families, East Lake Academy was approved in 2001 as a Catholic school sponsored by the Legion of Christ.. After doubling enrollment in its second year East Lake administrators now expect eventually to grow to a K-12 school with 1,250 students.

Their Need

East Lake's growth required moving from cramped quarters to space that would allow rapid growth and facilitate ongoing expansion. Because of their rapid progress East Lake also needed their new building complex within a short period of time.

Our Solution

Whitley delivered the East Lake complex to project distributor General Electric Modular Space within five months. That allowed the school to accept new students at the normal beginning of their school year. Despite an unexpectedly lengthy process of acquiring government approval the building was still built, delivered and finished on time. As importantly, the building, that combined offices, a cafeteria, classrooms and lounges, was designed to facilitate future expansion. Whitley's combination of design and construction skills also helped the staff at East Lake concentrate on growth, rather than construction problems.

