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**GTC Completes Project at Southern Hills Middle School in Time for the New School Year**

Golden Triangle Construction (GTC) recently completed a renovation and addition project at Southern Hills Middle School in Boulder, Colorado. The project, designed by MOA Architecture, included 29,703 square-feet of new construction and 75,877 square-feet of renovation. The project provided the school with a new main gym, new band and orchestra classrooms, new science and special education classrooms, a larger IMC (Instructional Media Center) and larger, remodeled administrative and counseling offices.

Because Golden Triangle Construction and Boulder Valley School District focus on incorporating sustainable building elements in projects, the project also included upgrades to building systems such as HVAC, irrigation and fire sprinklers, which will increase energy and water efficiency. Other sustainable building features included recycled materials, a built-up roof, and low-flow water fixtures. Increased daylighting was a primary goal in this project and a Sundolier device was installed in one of the classrooms. A Sundolier, designed and manufactured by the Sunflower Corporation in Boulder, is a satellite-like apparatus that installs on the roof of the building to capture and concentrate sunlight. Angled mirrors redistribute the sunlight through the room below, displacing the need for standard artificial light. In addition, the library was constructed with numerous large windows so that the large area could be lit mostly with natural lighting.

The project broke ground in May 2008 and was completed in time for the 2009-2010 school year to start without any interference. Terry Gillach, Principal at Southern Hills Middle School, said with appreciation that GTC's crew pushed to meet the ribbon-cutting deadline and come time for students to begin school again, "the halls, lockers and instructional spaces are clearly more inviting, spacious and easier to manage...[GTC] delivered to our community a remarkable facility. A tour of our new spaces would reveal a school built with a strong attention to detail."

Golden Triangle Construction (GTC) has been a commercial general contractor in the Colorado Front Range construction market since 1977. For more information, please call Dennis Richard at (303) 772-4051 or email [drichard@gtc1.net](mailto:drichard@gtc1.net).

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